

e-Moderation





Overview and Outcomes

Growing numbers of students expect a choice in where and how they learn. This includes being able to learn fully online or in blended mode (part face-to-face and part online), whatever the subject matter, and today's teachers are increasingly expected to know how to teach their students online effectively.

This e-Moderation course gives you the skills and confidence to teach online in a principled and effective manner. The course was developed and run by The Consultants-E, and NILE is delighted to offer this highly-respected programme on our NILE Online platforms.

Trainers

Teaching approaches

- We make courses practical and 'handson', with reference to relevant theory
- Our courses are participant-centred and collaborative, designed to build knowledge and confidence
- We use activities and tasks to help you apply the course content to your setting
- Courses are broken down into individual units and activities, forming a clear structure.
- Tasks are interactive, involving live online sessions, forums and and other collaborative tools, and utilise a range of multimedia including images, audio files and videos.

Content

e-Moderation covers the following areas:

- Developing online teaching skills through collaborative pair and group work
- Developing the skills necessary to work with learners asynchronously, and synchronously in videoconferencing sessions
- Motivating and engaging your learners online
- Reflection on the skills needed for working effectively with learners online, including moderating skills, climate setting, support, and dealing with challenges
- The principles of effective online course design
- Designing and implementing a variety of online task types
- Applying UDL (Universal Design for Learning) to online courses
- Exploring how to effectively assess learners' work in online courses
- Integrating reflection into online courses

Each course has a maximum of 18 participants and consists of 4 units, each introduced and completed over a week, Thursday to Wednesday.

Time will be built into the course for reflection, to consider how to adapt the content to your own professional context.

The NILE Online platform was developed specifically for teacher development courses, and upholds the NILE tradition of excellence in tutoring, materials, support and engagement.

Certification

• Your end-of-course NILE certificate details the areas covered on your course. It comes with recommendations for sharing what you have learnt and implementing your action plan at your institution.

Who should apply?

- Staff from any discipline and any level of education interested in developing the skills necessary to become an effective online teacher
- The course is specifically recommended by Cambridge Assessment English for face-to-face CELTA teacher trainers wanting to become qualified online CELTA trainers,
- Participants should have a minimum language level corresponding to B2 on the Common European Framework.



Requirements and Resources

- Participants need a computer, a headset (with microphone) and an Internet connection. You can do much of the course on a tablet or mobile device, but will need a computer for certain activities.
- All participants have access to NILE's extensive ELT e-Library and the NILE digital learning platform during the course and for a
 further six months, to access materials and keep in touch with your new colleagues. We also encourage you to sign up to the
 NILE Membership platform, which provides a great range of free resources for ELT professionals and is updated monthly.

Schedule

This course consists of 4 units. Each unit requires approximately 5-7 hours work per week. Live sessions will be held at a time agreed with participants, and recorded for those who cannot attend.

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Unit 1: Access & Climate Setting	Unit 2: Tutor Skills and Task Design
This unit will introduce you to the platform, as well as giving you a chance to get to know your course colleagues and tutor better. You will learn about online socialisation activities and explore how to maximise the effectiveness of online work with your students, along with how to manage expectations and motivation among your learners. This week you will complete your entry 1 of your Reflective Journal.	In this unit you will analyse the role and various forms of tutor presence. You will look at effective online task design and implementation and how to use online chat meaningfully. You will explore the pros and cons of asynchronous and synchronous learning and have the chance to ask questions about online learning and teaching in a live session with a guest speaker. This week you will complete your entry 2 of your Reflective Journal.
Unit 3: Course Design and Assessment	Unit 4: Development and Reflection
In this unit you will discover how to effectively assess your learners online, and learn about the principles of designing an effective and engaging online course. You will look at the scope and practicality for collaborative group work and take part in hands-on chat practice. Finally you will complete a reflective survey.	In this unit you will look at online feedback, and within this the effective use of weaving and summarising. You will learn how to integrate reflection into your online teaching. You will also explore a variety of tools to successfully deliver online courses. Finally, you will review this online course and look ahead to future opportunities.



At NILE we are committed to offering the best in language teacher training. As such, NILE Online courses were developed specifically to recreate the classroom experience and thus, we provide two-way tutorial contact in our online courses. Online participants will benefit from tutor interaction, support and feedback in each unit they take.

NILE Online is the first online course provider aligned to the Cambridge English Teaching Framework. NILE Online courses are also formally aligned to the Eaquals Framework for Language Teacher Training and Development, and the effort we take to make the NILE Online experience both positive and productive has been recognised by inspections from AQUEDUTO, The Association for Quality Education and Training Online.