NILE ONLINE Technologies and Approaches to Blended, Hybrid and Online Teaching





Overview and Outcomes

This course will provide you with a solid set of principles on which to understand the integration of technology into the delivery of teaching and learning. It covers blended, flipped, and fully online courses but also looks at the ways hybrid teaching can be effectively implemented too.

The course will also develop your technical skills in a number of key areas, including a focus on many of the emerging AI tools.

Trainers

NILE's highly experienced trainers are experts, not only in their fields, but also in working online with teachers for continuing professional development. Read more about NILE's trainers, their experience and interests at <u>The NILE Team</u> on the <u>NILE website</u>.

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 community walls, and utilise a range of multimedia including images, audio files and videos.

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.

Accredited Member

Who should apply?

- Teachers who may have some ideas about teaching online but need to connect it all together by building up their understanding of the core principles behind the use of technology.
- Teachers who use technology but not necessarily in any systematic or organised way.
- Participants should have a minimum language level corresponding to B2/C1 on the Common European Framework.

Content

Technologies & Approaches to Blended, Hybrid and Online Teaching covers the following areas:

- Building an understanding of the key principles that underpin the integration of technology into teaching and learning
- Using the key technologies that can really impact on teaching and learning with a focus on those tools that cover a range of areas and are useful in a range of contexts
- Focus on the increasing use of AI technology and a consideration of the ethical implications of its use
- Alternative ways to assess your students both formatively and summatively
- Considering some of the challenges that teachers might face in introducing more technology into their delivery
- Looking at the role of independent learning in online/blended learning

Each course has a maximum of 18 participants and consists of 6 modules each introduced and completed over a week, followed by 10 additional days to complete an E-Portfolio.

Time will be built into the course for reflection, to consider how to adapt the content to your own professional context. We then support you in creating a strategy for putting your ideas into practice in your institution.

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

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Schedule

This course consists of 6 units. Each unit requires approximately 5-7 hours work per week, including joining webinar, revising, answering forum questions and doing the weekly task. Live sessions are normally held on a Sunday, and recorded for those who cannot attend.

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Webinar Session:	Work on platform during week:
Module 1 Webinar An overview of teaching online	Overview to teaching online, blended learning and hybrid teaching with a particularly focus on working with platforms.
Module 2 Webinar How to support a live session	Focus on delivering live online sessions using tools like Zoom, Teams and Meet. Looking particularly at ways to make the sessions more student focused by bringing in additional technologies.
Module 3 Webinar Formative assessment	How can we make assessment more effective? What tools can we use to support assessment? This will include a focus on some of the new AI technologies.
Module 4 Webinar Screen capture technology	Learning about creating video content through using screen capture technology and adding the content onto YouTube.
Module 5 Webinar Supporting learner autonomy	Focus on the key tools and techniques we can use to help our students work independently. This will include a number technologies including ChatGPT and NaturalReader.
Module 6 Webinar Creating learning content and reflecting on the use of E-Portfolios	Looking at E-Portfolios and how they can be used as formative/ summative assessment tools. A focus on some of the emerging AI tools that can help teachers generate content.

What technical tools are covered?

- ChatGPT (including ChatGPT voice tool)
- NaturalReader
- Twee
- Padlet
- Screen Capture
- Quizizz
- Wordwall
- Good Docs
- Google Forms
- Using a YouTube channel
- Google Slides
- Google Sites
- Quizlet

Requirements and Resources

- Participants need a computer, a headset (with microphone) and an Internet connection and a Gmail acccount. 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 eLibrary and the NILE digital learning platform during the course and for a further two 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.

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.

