MEET YOUR INSTRUCTIONAL DESIGN SPECIALIST

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Micah is an instructional design specialist with experience designing and developing online courses and technical training in higher eduation and the private corporate sector. She has an Educational Specialist from Auburn University in Curriculum and Teaching and dual Masters' degrees in Education and Curriculum and Instruction with an Educational Leadership cognate.

As a former university facutly member and online learning project manager, Micah's work as an instructional design specialist satisfies her desire for continuous learning and encompasses nearly every other academic discipline. She enjoys meeting with faculty to design courses, which requires her to become familiar with their curriculum and academic discipline. Technology also changes rapidly and as an instructional design specialist, she diligently works to meet the challenge of keeping up with the latest innovations.

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Simplifying the
Instructional Design Process

Technology at work for you

CONNECTING YOUR INSTRUCTION TO THE TECHNOLOGY RESOURCES YOU NEED.

The Online Learning Services at Gulf Coast State College provides resources and services to faculty that promotes the use of technology in the teaching and learning environment. Our team is made up of our online learning and library services director, instructional design specialist, and academic support specialist whose shared mission is to support and empower your teaching through technology.

We can assist you with integrating a variety of instructional technologies in a manner that complements both your teaching style and your learning goals. The Online Learning Services at Gulf Coast State College host professional development throughout the year, provide online resources, are available to consult with faculty and students for just-in-time help, and provide support for GCSC licensed technologies.

CUSTOM SOLUTIONS

Collaboration with faculty members is our priority to provide instructional design and eduational technology guidances that is supported by research-based best practices in online learning and tailored to meet the learning outcomes for each specific course and resolve student problems with course content.

flexible solutions
for your instruction

INSTRUCTIONAL DESIGN SOLUTIONS

• STRATEGIC PLANNING PROCESSES
• EDUCATIONAL TECHNOLOGY GUIDANCE
• COLLABORATION WITH FACULTY
• TUTORIALS
• OPEN EDUCATIONAL RESOURCES
• PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

CONSULTATION SERVICES

Whether it is your first time navigating Canvas or you are looking to incorporate the newest technologies into your classroom, individualized consultatation services give faculty the opportunity to interact with our instructional design specialist on a range of teaching technologies that compliment both your teaching style and learning goals, which include:

• Universal Design for Learning (UDL) Framework
• Backward Design Planning
• Quality Matters
• Open Education Resources
• Distance Learning

HELP GUIDES

Technology is constantly changing and instructional technology is no different. Our help guides located in Canvas offer instructions on a range of Gulf Coast State College licensed and non-licensed instructional technologies to help you create your Canvas courses that meet your specific needs.

INSTRUCTIONAL DESIGN CONSULTING PROVIDES A CUSTOMIZED SOLUTION TO TEACHING ONLINE.

LEARNING MANAGEMENT SYSTEM

We provide resources in Canvas to help faculty examine the current and necessary features to become proficient in using the application tools for course design.

Our goal is to make the tools and features of Canvas available for instructors so they are better prepared to begin navigating course design and delivery.

Faculty who complete the Canvas training should be able to:

• Import course-related content via imports tools and files uploads.
• Design course-related content via pages and rich content editor.
• Build course-related activities via assignments, discussions, and quizzes.
• Identify assessment options via rubrics, speedgrader and gradebook tools.
• Identify ways to communicate with students.

INSTRUCTIONAL SOLUTIONS

We work closey with the college's professional development efforts to provide training opportunities and strategic planning processes to the college and departments for the learning management system and other related techonologies. The instructional design specialist can suggest relevant open educational resources and appropriate instructional methods for online delivery of content.

SOLUTIONS

We collaborate with the information technology department to troubleshoot and support software provided by third-party vendors that integrate with the learning management system. Our division specializes in creating documentation and tutorials to assist faculty and students with navigating the learning management system.