

AVLN Online Course Development Standards

Course Developed shall be Christ-centered and person-focused

Courses developed shall be faith-driven and mission-oriented

- focus on balanced and wholeness as part of a healthy lifestyle
- values focus/moral development
- creation of a safe learning environment
- integration of biblical principles
- focus on joyful service to God and others

Courses developed shall focus on thinking processes

- mastery of foundational knowledge
- focus on higher order thinking processes
- reflection on learning experiences
- reflection on learning processes

Courses developed shall address the relational basis of learning

- a design for interaction between learner and content
- a design for interaction between learner and learner
- a design for interaction between learner and teacher
- a design for interaction between learner and self (reflection)
- a design for interaction between learner and the community (includes service)

Courses developed shall create stimulating learning experiences

- instructional variety
- naturally engaging
- relevance (connections to real life)

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Courses developed shall address the individuality of learners

- sensitivity to cultural diversity
- attention to learning styles
- addresses multiple intelligences

Courses developed shall incorporate appropriate assessment processes

- courses are built on specific student objectives
- assessment is directly connected to student objectives
- assessment practices are appropriate for objectives

Courses developed should provide access to appropriate support services and learning materials

- library
- student support