



Ψ School of Education
at **IUPUI**
online
GRADUATE PROGRAMS

Learning By Design ::
Master's Degree in Education
with a Focus on Technology

WHERE **IMPACT** IS MADE

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Is this cohort for me?

This program is designed for teachers who want to earn a **Master's Degree in Education** online. Graduates will earn a Master's Degree in Elementary or Secondary Education, depending upon the initial licensure. The program, Learning By Design, consists of 36 credit hours of coursework taken two courses a semester for six semesters. These courses will all be offered online via Oncourse CL. Students must take the sequence of courses according to the program plan, but students can transfer up to six graduate credit hours into the program with the permission of an advisor. To be eligible, students must meet the criteria for admission to the master's degree programs of the IU School of Education at IUPUI.

Philosophy of the Program

High student achievement depends on high quality teachers. Teachers need to develop increasingly complex content knowledge as well as the capacity to offer well-designed, motivational instruction. They must understand the historical, social, and political dimensions of schools and be competent collaborators with other educators, families, and community organizations. In addition, teaching in the 21st century demands that teachers be effective users of technology.

The Learning by Design online masters program enables teachers to move ahead as professionals in all of these areas by focusing on three strands of development:

Inquiry

Courses will prepare teachers to be critical readers of educational research and to engage in action research of their own design to improve their teaching.

Inclusive Pedagogy

Courses will deepen teachers' knowledge of effective teaching and learning in relationship to the content demands of today's standards and assessments. The focus of this strand will be on instruction that meets the needs of all learners, including those with unique learner profiles and culturally and linguistically diverse backgrounds.

Technology

Courses will develop teachers' capacity to infuse technology into their instruction and use it to network and communicate in an increasingly global society.

The IU School of Education is committed to providing programs of study that prepare teachers to be catalysts for positive change in urban schools.

Commitment to the Cohort

This online program is designed to take a cohort of qualified students from first course to last course together. Cohorts have been shown to improve the quality of higher education. They add continuity and depth to students' learning and give students a chance to develop relationships and learn from the experiences and strengths of others. Joining a cohort is a commitment. Students are asked to do everything in their power to stay on track and complete the required courses in the sequence they are offered. If unexpected life events happen, students need to stay in communication and work out solutions with their instructors and academic advisor.

Program Sequence and Course Offerings

Courses will begin on January 7, 2012. Students admitted to the January 2012 cohort will take courses according to the following sequence:

Semester	Course 1	Course 2
Spring 2012	T531 Organizational Change in Diverse Schools	W531 Computers in Education
Summer 2012	E590 Parent/Family Involvement in 21st Century Schools	P507 Assessment in Schools
Fall 2012	Y520 Strategies for Educational Inquiry	W540 Computers in the Curriculum
Spring 2013	Y510 Action Research	W550 Research in Instructional Technology
Summer 2013	J500 Instruction in the Context of the Curriculum	W515 Technology Leadership
Fall 2013	T590 Practicum	W520 Instructional Technology Graduation December 2013

How to Apply

Prospective students interested in participating in the January 2012 cohort will need to complete the IUPUI graduate application by **November 1, 2011**. Applications received after that time will be considered for the January 2013 cohort.

In your application, please apply for a Master's Degree in either elementary or secondary education. In your personal goal statement, specify your intent to pursue your Master's in Education with a Focus on Technology for January 2012.

To begin the application process, complete the application requirements using the eApp system: <http://education.iupui.edu/soe/applying/graduate/index.aspx>.

If you have already taken a *graduate* course through the School of Education at IUPUI in the past 2 years, please contact our graduate advisor, Sarah Zahl, at sabrande@iupui.edu or 317-278-5739 to determine if you need to complete the online graduate application. If so, please complete the following steps:

1. Complete your personal statement as a word document. Indicate that you have taken graduate level courses in the School of Education at IUPUI. Please also include your date of birth, and the last 4 digits of your social security number to help us access your current records. Specify you are participating in the online “Learning By Design” cohort program.
2. Request that your 2 letters of recommendation and transcript(s) are mailed to the School of Education. **Please mail to: IUPUI School of Education, Graduate Admissions, 902 W. New York Street, Indianapolis, IN 46202-5155.**

Status of Your Admissions

Applications for the program will be processed as soon as they are complete. An application is not considered complete until you have submitted official transcripts and 2 letters of recommendation from university instructors or colleagues who have supported you in a supervisory role. Applicants with a 3.0 GPA or higher in undergraduate work or in at least six credit hours of graduate work are exempt from the GRE. Students accepted to the cohort will be added on a “first-come-first-served” basis, so it is in your best interest to apply as soon as possible. Students will be added to the cohort as soon as they are admitted to the program. You may register for courses once you have officially been approved.

To check on the status of your admissions, please contact Donnella Dillon, Admissions Coordinator, at dmdillon@iupui.edu.

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