

Are AMSTI's Online Courses Right for YOU?

Thank you for your interest in participating in an online course. While we recommend face-to-face training whenever possible, we offer online training for teachers who meet specific requirements. Please read the following qualifications before enrolling in an online course. If you do not meet these qualifications, please discuss the options for face-to-face training with your PD Coordinator or AMSTI specialist.

To qualify for an online course, participants must be completely trained (Year 1 and Year 2 including GLOBE and other special topics) in a grade within the same grade band as the course in which you wish to enroll. Grade bands are K-2, 3-5, and 6-8.

In addition, online course participants:

- should be comfortable using an online learning platform which might be new to them (Moodle).
- should have reliable access to the internet.
- should be comfortable downloading, editing, and using Powerpoint presentations in the classroom.
- should be able to take and upload photographs onto a digital platform.
- should be able to download and save documents and presentations from Google Drive.
- should be implementing the 2015 Course of Study: Science (including the Scientific and Engineering Practices, Crosscutting Concepts, and Disciplinary Core Ideas) in their instruction.
- should be implementing the use of science notebooks in the classroom.

Online course participants are expected to:

- prepare for each lesson by viewing the PowerPoint presentations, practicing the hands-on activities, preparing handouts, and otherwise learning the lesson before teaching it.
- visit the online course at least once a week and complete assignments in a timely manner.
- contact their AMSTI site specialist with questions about the module, or their course facilitator for questions specific to the online aspect of the course.
- be self-motivated and enthusiastic learners!

Please let your PD Coordinator or your AMSTI specialist know how you would like to proceed. We look forward to working with you!