Learning with the CIRTL Network

Learn inclusive, evidence-based STEM teaching techniques - for free. The CIRTL Network is made up of 38 top-tier universities in the US and Canada dedicated to improving STEM teaching and learning. We believe that bringing students together from different backgrounds, institutions, and disciplines enhances learning. By offering our online courses, workshops, and events at no cost, we're doing our best to ensure equal access to all, for the benefit of all.

Enjoy the flexibility of online learning. Grad students and postdocs are busy people. That's why our online programming fits a range of schedules: semester-long courses with weekly online meetings; workshops that meet online anywhere from one to three times; MOOCs that let you work as you have free time; and online events that you can drop into as time allows.

Find a community of like-minded peers. Because our programming is voluntary - not connected to degree or licensing requirements - our students are truly passionate about equitable STEM teaching and learning. When you learn with us, you're plugged into a learning community of academics truly dedicated to advancing STEM learning for all.

Hone your teaching skills with faculty and staff from top-tier universities. Our online instructors come from the prestigious universities that make up the CIRTL Network's membership. By using active learning techniques they ensure students have an engaging, impactful experience when attending our online courses, workshops, events, or MOOCs.

Leverage the CIRTL reputation in job applications. The CIRTL Network has positioned itself at the forefront of STEM higher education over the past two decades. Alumni who engage with CIRTL regularly over the course of their studies find that their CIRTL experience gives them a leg up on the job market; some even say they wouldn't have gotten their teaching jobs without us!
Ready to learn with CIRTL?

1. **Learn about CIRTL’s approach to STEM education.** Visit our website and peruse the pages under the “About” section to learn more about who we are, the core ideas that guide our work, the specific learning outcomes that reinforce those core ideas, and the programming that brings everything together.

2. **Look through our current and upcoming online programming.** Visit the “Courses” section of our website to see upcoming courses; visit “Events” section of our website to see upcoming events, workshops, and other programming. Subscribe to our newsletter to receive weekly updates about upcoming programming and registration deadlines (www.cirtl.net > News).

3. **Create an account on our website.** Click the “Sign Up” button on our homepage. Be sure to include your institution, field of study, and role; we refer to these three items when assessing enrollment priority in cases where a course or workshop is over-enrolled.

4. **Register to attend our online programming.** Log into our website. Navigate to the course, event, or workshop you want to attend, then click the “Register to Attend” button. Registration for courses and workshops will be pending until the registration period has closed; because courses and workshops have caps, registration does not guarantee enrollment. Registration for events, which all run on a drop-in basis, will be automatically approved.

5. **Get to know your local CIRTL community.** Each of the 38 universities that are members of the CIRTL Network has their own local CIRTL community. Visit the “Network Leaders” page under the “About” section on our website to see who runs your local community. Reach out to your local leaders to say hi; they’re always happy to hear from new students! Getting to know your local community is a valuable part of your CIRTL experience and adds depth to your online engagement.