

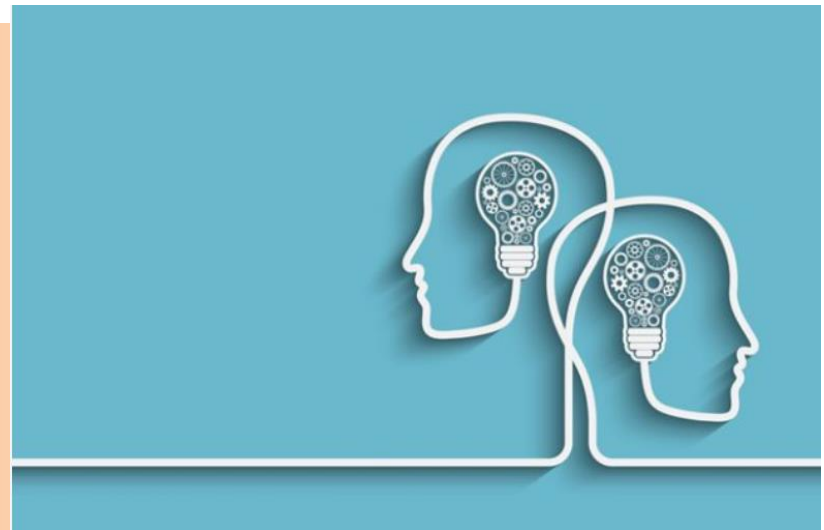
Philosophy of Teaching

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Learning Objectives



Participants in this workshop will:

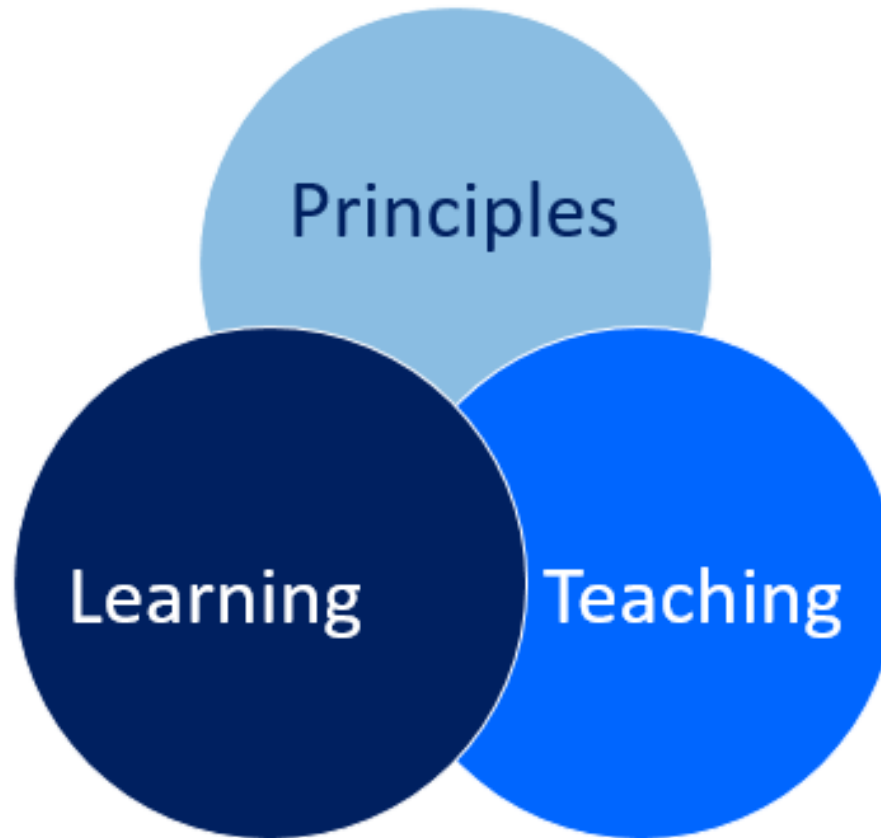
- Increase awareness of what they are coming to know, believe, and value about teaching and learning.
- Describe the nature, purpose, and benefits of having a functional personal teaching philosophy.
- Compose a draft of a teaching philosophy built on their initial responses to six belief areas
- Apply methods demonstrated in the workshop to teaching others about teaching philosophies.

Developing your Philosophy





Learning Principles



Seven Principles of Learning

1. Prior knowledge can help or hinder
2. How learners organize knowledge influences how they learn and apply what they know
3. Learners' motivation determines, directs and sustains what they do to learn
4. To develop mastery, learners must acquire component skills, practice integrating them, and know when to apply what they have learned

Seven Principles of Learning

5. Goal-directed practice coupled with targeted feedback enhances the quality of learning.
6. Your current level of development interacts with the social, emotional, and intellectual climate of the program to impact learning.
7. To become a self-directed learner, you must learn to monitor and adjust your approaches to learning.

[Ambrose SA etal. **How Learning Works: Seven Research-Based Principles for Smart Teaching** The Jossey-Bass Higher and Adult Education Series, 2011.](#)

Keys for Adult Learners

Progressive

Emotional
Connection

Attention

Motivation

Developmental

Confidence

Link to Prior
Experience

Problem Focus

Environment

Outcomes

Structured

Participatory

Visualization

Active

Repetition

Relevance

Reflective

Flexible

Lifelong

Feedback

Practice



Famous Quotes

- *Which quotes are most meaningful to you and why?*
- *What teaching/learning experiences do the quotes bring to mind?*
- *Which one speaks to your aspiration as teacher?*

Film Clips

- Freedom Writers
- Remember the Titans
- Dead Poets Society

“Grapple and jot” notes as you think about principles that you value seen in the film!

Teaching Beliefs Worksheet

- *Review worksheet. Questions?*
- Complete one or two sections of the worksheet now – your choice.



Summary/Take Home

Teaching, like any other truly human activity, emerges from one's inwardness, for better or worse.

As I teach, I project the condition of my soul onto my students, my subject and our way of being together. Viewed from this angle, teaching holds a mirror to the soul. If I am willing to look into that mirror and not run from what I see, I have a chance to gain self-knowledge – and knowing myself is as crucial to good teaching as knowing my students and my subject.


~ Parker Palmer, The Courage to Teach

Commitment to Act!

State one take-home point that you will apply when writing, revising, or teaching about a philosophy of teaching





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