



"The program is one of the best professional development experiences I've had in the twenty plus years I've been in higher education. Rock solid content and amazing faculty!"

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IELOL: AMAZING CONTENT, AMAZING FACULTY, AMAZING EXPERIENCE!

How did you hear about the Institute for Emerging Leadership in Online Learning (IELOL)?

I first heard about IELOL attending an OLC conference. I was immediately attracted to the idea of such a program and thought it would be the perfect professional development opportunity for me.

What was your interest in IELOL?

As online education continues to grow, more institutions are hiring managers/directors/deans to oversee and lead programming related to online education.

In my opinion, the IELOL program does an amazing job of focusing on and developing the competencies online leaders need to have in order to be successful in their careers.

How did the program help you in your career?

Attending IELOL really solidified in my mind that I was the individual on my campus that faculty and administrators would be relying on to lead our efforts related to online education. It instilled in me a leadership mindset that I still utilize today.

To whom and why would you recommend this program?

I would recommend IELOL to anyone who has a leadership role (e.g., program director, department chair, director of online education, dean, provost) related to online education at their institution.



TOP BENEFITS OF IELOL

- > Meeting and developing relationships with the faculty who teach and facilitate IELOL.
- > Learning leadership concepts and strategies shared during IELOL.
- > Creating a network of other online administrators.
- > Being part of the IELOL alumni Facebook page where we can ask questions of each other and share resources, etc.
- > Being exposed to ideas about how other individuals and institutions administer their online education programs.

About Brian

Brian has been teaching in higher education for over 20 years. He started teaching online in 2005 and began serving as the Director of Online Education at University of Wisconsin-La Crosse in 2007. Brian is an outdoor enthusiast who enjoys most outdoor activities.



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