Universal Design for Learning (UDL) Incorporating National Forum Digital Badge

Enhance your teaching with our 5-week accredited Universal Design for Learning (UDL) module (5 ECTS). This interactive course blends individual and group work to explore and apply UDL principles in your teaching practice. You'll develop inclusive strategies that support diverse learners, improve engagement, and foster accessibility. Whether you're new to UDL or looking to refine your approach, this module provides strategies to enhance your modules and programmes. Join us to create a more inclusive learning environment for all students!

Course Details

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Start Date 11 March 2025 Time Tuesdays, 10am - 1pm

Mode of Delivery Online

Awards 5 ECTS Credit TU Dublin CPD Certificate, and

National Forum/AHEAD Digital Badge on Universal Design in

Teaching and Learning

Apply Online

Complete the <u>CPD application form</u> at least one week before the start date, and the and the <u>fee waiver application process</u> prior to the start date.

What is Universal Design for Learning (UDL)?

Universal Design for Learning (UDL) is a framework developed to improve and optimise teaching and learning for all individuals based on scientific insights into how humans learn. The goal of UDL is to create flexible learning environments that accommodate learner variability and promote learner agency (CAST, 2025).

There are 3 main UDL principles

<u>Multiple Means of Representation</u>: Present information in various ways to accommodate different learning styles and preferences, ensuring all students can access and understand the material.

<u>Multiple Means of Action and Expression</u>: Provide learners with different ways to demonstrate their knowledge and skills, allowing them to express what they have learned in a manner that suits their strengths.

<u>Multiple Means of Engagement</u>: Use diverse strategies to engage students' interests and motivation, making learning more relevant and enjoyable for them.

What you'll gain

Aligned with the National Forum's <u>Digital Badge</u> in Universal Design in Teaching and Learning this module provides you with an opportunity to:

- Reflect on the diversity of students at TU Dublin.
- Gain a good understanding of the UDL framework and how it can support diverse learners.
- Redesign some elements of your teaching and learning practice based on UDL principles.
- Consider how you could change your practice more broadly.

We are delighted to offer a local rollout of the digital badge in conjunction with the 5 ECTS credit module, meaning that those who successfully complete the module assessment can choose to gain further recognition with the National Forum UDL Badge.

