



Macquarie ICT Innovations Centre Presents

# PROFESSIONAL LEARNING IN A DIGITAL AGE

21st century tools supporting 21st century teachers

## BOSTES Registered Teacher Professional Learning Course

Good twenty-first century teachers are good twenty-first century learners. Professional Learning in a Digital Age (PLDA) is a four-week blended course that equips teachers and school leaders with the knowledge, skills and tools needed for personalised, professional learning in a digital age. With an emphasis on learning through online participatory cultures, the course explores the role of communication, critical thinking, collaboration and creativity in online spaces. The course also examines the role of current technology tools for developing a Personal Learning Network (PLN), including Google Apps for Education, Google Plus Communities, Twitter and Feedly.

PLDA involves a workshop and a 4-week mini online course (MOC). The workshop is delivered either as a 5.5hr face-to-face workshop OR two Adobe Connect sessions and 3 hours of flipped learning. Following on from the workshop are four weekly online components which, together with the workshop, total 21.5 hours. This course is designed for beginners with no prior knowledge assumed. You can find a breakdown of this course on our website at [www.macict.edu.au/plda](http://www.macict.edu.au/plda)



Completing this course will contribute 21 hours and 30 minutes of QTC Registered PD addressing 4.5.2, 6.2.2, 6.3.2, 7.4.2 from the Australian Professional Standards for Teachers towards maintaining Proficient Teacher Accreditation in NSW.

### Part 1 - Workshop

9am-3:30pm | 5.5hrs  
North Ryde

- Opening ideas. A session exploring the role of the 4C's (communication, critical thinking, collaboration and creativity), PLN's (personal learning networks) and an overview of tools.
- 'All You Can Eat!' Content aggregation with Feedly.
- 'Word on the Tweet' and 'Going Google.' Exploring Twitter & Google Apps.
- 'Whose Work is it Anyway?' Exploring Creative Commons.
- MOC (Mini Online Course) walkthrough.

### Part 2 - Mini Online Course (MOC)

4 weeks following the workshop day. Each week will involve participants in key readings, short activities and a simple weekly deliverable. Total 16hrs (e.g. 3-4hrs per week).

- Week 1: Communicating
- Week 2: Critical Thinking
- Week 3: Collaborating
- Week 4: Creativity

*In order to achieve course completion you must complete both parts of this course: the workshop and the online course.*

### Alternative delivery option of the workshop day for those outside metropolitan Sydney

Two Adobe Connect sessions and some 'flipped classroom' video tutorials will cover the content and skills addressed in the workshop day.

### WORKSHOP TRAINERS

**Cathie Howe** Centre Manager

Cathie is a Professional Learning & Leadership Advisor for NSWDEC. During her 20+ years both as a teacher and an executive in Primary Schools, Cathie has been recognised for her innovative practice, digital learning and leadership.



**Michael Stevenson**

Michael is a doctoral student and casual lecturer in the School of Education at Macquarie University. As an educator with nearly a decade of experience in the secondary classroom, he bridges the gap between research and practice with an ongoing commitment to professional learning.



**Cost: \$390 (incIST)**

**Register online through MyPL @ EDU**

**Course Code: RG00103**

<https://www.det.nsw.edu.au/docprs/welcome.do>

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