ED 401 Assignment

Participation in Educational Support Workshop session.

Engaging Adults Learners with Technology through hands-on experience and reviewing the literature, two instruction librarians explore and model best practices in incorporating technology into teaching, assessing and communicating with non-traditional adult students. Session content is applicable for face-to- face, blended, and online instructors.

Attendees will have to get a toolkit of resources, best practices, and further readings. There are six key Characteristics of Adult Learners Include:

1. The need to know

2. A responsible self-concept

3. A wealth of life experience

4. Readiness to learn

5. Orientation to learning

6. Motivation

Best Practices to Promote an Adult’s Readiness to Learn

a) Create a safe, welcoming learning environment

b) Culture empathy, respect, approachability, authenticity

c) Collaborate on the diagnosis of learning needs

d) Collaborate on developing learning objectives and in instructional planning

e) Ensure the practicality of all learning activities

Group Activity:

Another adult learning model is four different abilities were needed for successful adult learning: Concrete experience (awakening), Reflective observation (observing), Abstract conceptualization (practicing), Active experimentation (applying).

The abilities 0f learner; Concrete experience must be interested in adding to his or her knowledge base arouses the learner’s interest. Reflective observation takes on new information, usually by watching or listening presents the new information. Abstract conceptualization practices using the new knowledge facilitates hands-on activities .Active experimentation applies the new knowledge provides a means of practical .

One of the most empowering ways in which we can assist adult learners is to put the learning tools into their hands. Technology helps us to do that.

Eg. In engineering education, we would like to teach adult learner. They have already known the knowledge how to do their work field but they need to get more knowledge and practice. They are really want to learn how to used modern equipment and group activity, very interested in learning.

Using your knowledge of adult learning theory, brainstorm best practices for approaching the learning experience in each example situation. If appropriate, the technologies could be incorporated to enhance the learning experience.