



DESIGNING A STANDARDS-BASED CURRICULUM FOR ELLS

WIDA Summer Professional Development Academy
August 3-6, 2009

University of Vermont
University of Vermont Campus, Burlington, VT

Level: Intermediate; previous knowledge and understanding of WIDA English Language Proficiency (ELP) Standards or language acquisition is required.

Length: 24 hours

Description: This is an **intermediate** academy focused on helping educators incorporate the WIDA ELP Standards to grade-appropriate, content standards curriculum. Participants will bring and share units and/or lessons and WIDA staff will guide them through the process of integrating ELP standards to make them accessible for varying ELL proficiency levels in the language domains of listening, speaking, reading, and writing. Participants will also engage in collegial exploration of appropriate academic language expectations with regard to language complexity, vocabulary usage, and language control.

** Participants are required to bring curriculum or lesson units for participation in this workshop. **

Objectives - Participants will:

- Learn and practice the process of creating model performance indicators (MPIs) for all language domains;
- Create and adapt curriculum-specific MPIs by transforming them according to language functions, topics, and supports;
- Develop an efficient framework for differentiating grade-appropriate curriculum units and lessons; and
- Create content-specific examples to demonstrate the transformation process in differentiating curriculum for ELLs.

Audience:

- Teachers of ELLs: ESL, Bilingual, and/or General Education
- Administrators
- Curriculum coordinators
- Instructional coaches
- School teams

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| AM | AM Overview of Standards Transformations: Theory & Practice | AM Academic Language Proficiency and Best Classroom Practices | AM Academic Literacy; Curriculum sharing & wrap-up; (Half day) |
| PM Welcome, introductions. Review of language acquisition & WIDA ELP Standards | PM Hands on: Transforming your curriculum | PM Continued curriculum transformation. | PM |

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