

OTAN Welcomes OTAC v5 and TIMAC Cohort 11

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OTAC and TIMAC are year-long professional development projects supporting adult education agency efforts to implement the effective use of technology and online instructional delivery with the goal of improving student learning outcomes.

Online Teaching Academy ([OTAC](#)) started in 2010-11 to meet the growing need in adult education field for training and support for the initiation and development of online instruction in a variety of delivery models. Specific focus is on Moodle, a learning management system, as a platform for the content delivery. The other major focus is on effective practices in online teaching and learning.

During the project in 2014/15, participants will complete an online course facilitated by [EdTech Leaders Online](#). Teaching Students in Blended Classrooms, a seven-session course (with additional one-week orientation), prepares educators to teach in blended classroom environments.

OTAC v5 participants are:

| Participant Name | Adult Education Agency | Administrator |
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| Sandra Davenport | Pittsburg Adult Education Center | Lynne Nicodemus |
| Susan Hoopes | Oroville Adult Education | Jeff Ochs |
| Dori Campbell | Mt. San Jacinto College | Teri Safrank |
| Dan Andrew Legaspi | Downey Adult School | Blanca Rochin |
| Leonor Gonzalez | Downey Adult School | Blanca Rochin |
| Sharon Mason | Palo Alto Adult School | Alexandra Scott |
| Sharon Ram | Fremont Adult & Continuing Education | Yelena Zimon |
| April Oliver | Santa Rosa Junior College | Marti Estrin |
| Selene Kurland | LAUSD/DACE Harbor Service Center | Imelda Macias |
| Martha Robles | Cerritos College | Graciela Vasquez |
| Carol Gonella | San Mateo Adult School | Tim Doyle |

The Technology Integration Mentor Academy ([TIMAC](#)) is entering its eleventh year and continues to focus on integrating technology into classroom instruction. Popular topics this year were increased effective use of interactive whiteboards and document cameras, and using software effectively, whether computer or internet-based. TIMAC participants have also been creating Web-based resources such as Web sites, wikis, blogs, and social networks to extend learning beyond the classroom.

TIMAC Cohort 11 participants are:

| Participant Name | Adult Education Agency | Administrator |
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| Neda Anasseri | Folsom Cordova Adult School | Rhonda Koff |
| Lisa Franklin | California Community Opportunities | Brad Walker |
| Natalya Dollar | North Orange County CCD SCE | Jorge Gamboa |
| Thoibi Rublaitus | Corona-Norco Adult School | JoDee Slyter |
| Alfred Miller | Berkeley Adult School | Burr Guthrie |
| Linda Hsu | Berkeley Adult School | Burr Guthrie |
| Maria Grubb | El Monte Rosemead Adult School | Sara Shapiro |
| Pamela Chui | Mount San Antonio College | Liza Becker |
| Edward Carr | Mary Lind Recovery Centers | Michael Barnes |
| Joel Vilanova | Learning Quest, Stanislaus Literacy Center | Karen Williams |
| Diana Smith | Vista Adult School | Tara Biancamano |