

Welcome to your OL&LA Cohort!

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Hello.

Welcome to CORE's Online Language and Literacy Academy (OL&LA). My name is Dr. Docquinn Taylor, and I'll be your facilitator for this course. I'm passionate about supporting teachers and instructional leaders in developing strong readers, writers, and communicators. I am delighted to be joining all of you as you explore, deepen, and expand your knowledge of the Science of Reading and language acquisition.

About the Course

OL&LA (The Online Language & Literacy Academy) is an asynchronous course that personalizes professional learning for literacy by integrating cutting-edge reading science with techniques tailored to a wide range of students, including those with diverse language backgrounds like Multilingual Learners, English language variety speakers, and students with dyslexia. Participants form an intellectual community (cohort) as they reflect on the course content, including readings from research and CORE's *Teaching Reading Sourcebook, Third Edition*, and *Assessing Reading: Multiple Measures, Revised Second Edition*.

Please review the OL&LA Course Syllabus to learn more about your course.

Course Schedule

Your course began on **Monday, September 9th**, and you will start with the online content in Module 1: Welcome on **Monday, September 16th**.

Course Schedule:

Module 1: September 9 - September 18, 2024 Module 2: September 19 - October 2, 2024 Module 3: October 3 - October 29, 2024 Module 4: October 30 - November 20, 2024 Module 5: November 21 - December 21, 2024 Module 6: December 22 - January 21, 2024 Module 7: January 22 - January 30, 2025 Module 8: January 31- February 10, 2025 Module 9: February 11 - February 25, 2025

Live Session 1: October 29, 2024 (4:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.) CST Live Session 2: January 21, 2025 (4:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.) CST Live Session 3: February 25, 2025 (4:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.) CST

Accessing the Course

You will receive an OL&LA account activation email from <u>Online Language & Literacy Academy</u> (do-not-reply@oll.academy) on the official start date of your course. This email provides a course registration link and instructions to set up your account. Once you receive this email, please activate your OL&LA course account as soon as possible.

Materials

If you haven't already, you will receive two items: CORE's *Teaching Reading Sourcebook* and CORE's *Assessing Reading: Multiple Measures*. If you haven't received your materials yet, you should receive them very soon and in time

for the start of the course. **If by chance the materials are late in getting to you, don't worry. There will be no external reading necessary for the first module.** I also encourage you to get a notebook dedicated to OL&LA to take notes, brainstorm ideas, and keep track of any questions you want to ask me.

Again, I am so excited you will be a part of this community of learners. I look forward to engaging with you, through our community chats, emails, course activities, and live sessions. Please let me know if you have any questions at any time during the course.

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