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## **SPRING 2025 - CHRONOLOGICAL LISTINGS**

February 1, 2025 – June 30, 2025

**Full course descriptions are available on our website:**  
<http://www.corepdcourses.org/course-descriptions.html>

**CORE Professional Development** proudly announces the addition of a new type of P.D. learning.  
We are introducing **VIRTUAL SYNCHRONOUS HYBRID CLASSES**.

Going forward, we will be offering courses in these formats:

- 1) **Virtual Synchronous Hybrid Classes:** *In Google Meets or Zoom Classrooms. Includes written assignments and oral presentations. (3 in-service credits and/or 45 CTLE hours)*
- 2) **Online:** *Fully online classes with written assignments and projects. (3 in-service credits and/or 45 CTLE hours)*
- 3) **Next Generation Workshops:** *Fully online workshops in four areas: ELA, Social Studies, Mathematics and Science. (1 in-service credit and/or 15 CTLE hours)*

## **IN-SERVICE COURSES**

Please pre-register for all classes. We recommend getting district approval prior to registration.

### **VIRTUAL SYNCHRONOUS HYBRID COURSES**

*(In Google Meets or Zoom Classrooms)*

**LIMIT: 8 Participants (Please check website for closed classes)**

**Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday: February 18, 19, 20.....8 am – 1 pm** *(All Work Due by March 18, 2025)*

#### **Special February Vacation Week Morning Class!**

**“Mastery Learning: Strategies for Successful Student Performance in All Academic Areas”**

Course #C324 Instructor: Caryn Drezner **NEW COURSE!**

**Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday: February 24, 25, 26.....5 pm – 10 pm** *(All Work Due by March 26, 2025)*

**“Mindfulness for Teachers and Students: Improving Cognitive Performance and Managing Stress”**

Course #C282 Instructor: Dr. Bernadette Weltsek

**Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday: March 3, 4, 5.....5 pm – 10 pm** *(All Work Due by April 2, 2025)*

**“Unique Ideas for Celebrating Student Literacy in the Classroom”**

Course #C348 Instructor: Kara Cosolito **NEW COURSE!**

**Tuesday, Thursday, Tuesday: March 11, 13, 18.....5 pm – 10 pm** *(All Work Due by April 10, 2025)*

**“How to Reach At-Risk Students: Strategies for Teaching Academically Underprepared Learners”**

Course #C124 Instructor: Judi Weissman

**Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday: March 17, 18, 19.....5 pm – 10 pm** *(All Work Due by April 17, 2025)*

**“The Growth Mindset: Helping Students Understand the Value of Effort, Persistence and Challenges”**

Course #C266 Instructor: Dr. Bernadette Weltsek

**Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday: April 7, 8, 9.....5 pm – 10pm** *(All Work Due by May 7, 2025)*  
“**Interdisciplinary Learning and Teaching: Developing Students’ Critical Thinking and Cognitive Skills**”  
Course #C318 Instructor: Caryn Drezner

**Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday: April 22, 23, 24.....5 pm – 10 pm** *(All Work Due by May 21, 2025)*  
“**Literacy Instruction: Developing Reading and Writing Skills Across the Curriculum**”  
Course #C304 Instructor: Kara Cosolito

**Saturdays: May 3, 10, 17.....8 am – 1 pm** *(All Work Due by June 11, 2025)*  
**Special Saturday Morning Class!**  
“**Emotional Intelligence and Critical Thinking: Increasing Student Motivation and Productivity**”  
Course #C118 Instructor: Judi Weissman

**Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday: May 5, 6, 7.....5 pm – 10 pm** *(All Work Due by June 6, 2025)*  
“**Meeting the Needs of ENL Students: Strategies for Teachers in All Subject Areas**”  
Course #C136 Instructor: Dr. Bernadette Weltsek

**Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday: May 12, 13, 14.....5 pm – 10 pm** *(All Work Due by June 12, 2025)*  
“**Raise Your Hand if You Love Grammar! How to Teach Grammar to Students in All Grades and Subject Areas**”  
Course #C316 Instructor: Kara Cosolito **NEW COURSE!**

**Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday: June 2, 3, 4.....5 pm – 10 pm** *(All Work Due by July 2, 2025)*  
“**Teacher Resilience: Cultivating Commitment and Passion for All Educators**”  
Course #C302 Instructor: Dr. Bernadette Weltsek

**Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday: June 10, 11, 12.....5 pm – 10 pm** *(All Work Due by July 10, 2025)*  
“**Mastery Learning: Strategies for Successful Student Performance in All Academic Areas**”  
Course #C324 Instructor: Caryn Drezner **NEW COURSE!**

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## **NEXT GENERATION ONLINE COURSES**

EACH Next Generation online course is 1 in-service credit and/or 15 CTLE hours

Instructor: Margaret Mavros See Link for More Information: <https://www.corepdcourses.org/next-generation.html>

**Open Enrollment Period: March 31 – June 6**

### **Course #NG1: Get Ready for Next Generation: ELA**

One-Credit online course for K-12 ELA teachers

### **Course #NG2: Get Ready for Next Generation: Mathematics**

One-Credit online course for K-12 Mathematics teachers

### **Course #NG3: Get Ready for Next Generation: Social Studies**

One-Credit online course for K-12 Social Studies teachers

### **Course #NG4: Get Ready for Next Generation: Science**

One-Credit online course for K-12 Science teachers

## **ONLINE COURSES**

### **February 4 - March 5**

- “**Content Area Reading: Strategies to Engage Learners in All Subject Areas**”  
Course #C178 Instructor: Margaret Mavros
- “**The Growth Mindset: Helping Students Understand the Value of Effort, Persistence and Challenges**”  
Course #C266 Instructor: Dr. Bernadette Weltsek

### **February 6 – March 7**

- “**Using Google Apps in the Classroom: Beginner to Intermediate**”  
Course #C102 Instructor: Christopher Smith
- “**Spanish for Educators: Communicating with Students, Parents and Staff**”  
Course #C254 Instructor: Rosa Malley

### February 10 – March 12

- **“Igniting Scientific Curiosity: Launching into the Next Generation Science Standards”**  
Course #C358    *Instructor: Margaret Mavros*    **NEW COURSE!**
- **“Mindfulness for Teachers and Students: Improving Cognitive Performance and Managing Stress”**  
Course #C282    *Instructor: Dr. Bernadette Weltsek*

### February 12 – March 14

- **“Interdisciplinary Learning and Teaching: Developing Students’ Critical Thinking and Cognitive Skills”**  
Course #C318    *Instructor: Caryn Drezner*

### February 17 – March 4

#### **FEBRUARY BREAK ACCELERATED CLASS**

- **“Culturally Responsive Teaching: Supporting Cultural and Linguistic Diversity Across the Curriculum”**  
Course #C260    *Instructor: Stacey Kimbell*

### February 25 - March 26

- **“Teacher Survival Guide: A Survey of Critical Concepts for Educators in All Subjects”**  
Course #C326    *Instructor: Mario Nardiello*    **NEW COURSE!**
- **“Dealing with Difficult Students: How Crisis Intervention Can Keep Schools Safe and Help Students Succeed”**  
Course #C110    *Instructor: Cindy Reide Combs*

### February 26 - March 27

- **“Creativity in Every Classroom: Fostering a Love of Learning in All Students”**  
Course #C182    *Instructor: Howard Block*
- **“Using Mentor Texts to Teach Writing: Strengthening Skills and Igniting Imagination with Picture Books”**  
Course #C250    *Instructor: Jessica Liakonis*
- **“Computer Skills and Multi-Disciplinary Instruction: How Technology Can Enrich Students and Education”**  
Course #C128    *Instructor: Andrew Frisch*

### February 27 – March 28

- **“A Comprehensive Guide to Teaching SIFE/SLIFE: Best Practices for Educators, Counselors and Support Staff”**  
Course #C340    *Instructor: Gail Leibert*    **NEW COURSE!**
- **“Raise Your Hand if You Love Grammar! How to Teach Grammar to Student in All Grades and Subject Areas”**  
Course #C316    *Instructor: Kara Cosolito*

### March 4 – April 3

- **“Strategies for Effective Teacher Collaboration”**  
Course #C142    *Instructor: Andrew Frisch*
- **“Walking in Their Shoes: Understanding How Developmentally Disabled Students Learn, Think and Experience the World”**    Course #C298    *Instructor: Loni Stein*

### March 5 – April 4

- **“Close Reading Strategies: Supporting the New York State Learning Standards”**  
Course #C112    *Instructor: Dana Driscoll*
- **“Mastering Artificial Intelligence (AI): Empowering Educators for 21<sup>st</sup> Century Learning”**  
Course #C338    *Instructor: Danielle Roccisano*    **NEW COURSE!**
- **“Building Critical Thinking Skills in a Digital World”**  
Course #C164    *Instructor: Stacey Kimbell*

### March 11 – April 10

- **“Meeting the Needs of ENL Students: Strategies for Teachers in All Subject Areas”**  
Course #C136    *Instructor: Dr. Bernadette Weltsek*
- **“Using Google Apps in the Classroom: Intermediate to Advanced”**  
Course #C180    *Instructor: Christopher Smith*
- **“How Parents Can Support Classroom Learning: Improving Communication to Foster Academic Success”**  
Course #C292    *Instructor: Jessica Liakonis*    **NEW COURSE!**

### March 13 – April 11

- “Exploring Happiness: Applications in the Field of Education”  
Course #C334 Instructor: Gail Leibert **NEW COURSE**
- “The Power of Station Teaching: How Differentiation and Collaboration Improves Active Learning in All Grades and Content Areas” Course #C294 Instructor: Thomas Sheehan

### March 18 – April 23

- “Blended Learning: How Student-Centered Learning Can Enhance Traditional Instruction”  
Course #C274 Instructor: Jessica Liakonis
- “Digital Storytelling: Strengthening Students’ Skills in Problem-Solving, Critical Thinking, Collaboration and the Writing Process” Course #C262 Instructor: Danielle Roccisano

### March 25 – April 29

- “R.T.I.: Implementing Responsive Multi-Tiered Interventions”  
Course #C168 Instructor: Stacey Kimbell
- “Unique Ideas for Celebrating Student Literacy in the Classroom”  
Course #C348 Instructor: Kara Cosolito **NEW COURSE!**

### March 31 – May 1

- “Real World Teaching: The Importance of Bringing Relevance to 21<sup>st</sup> Century Classrooms”  
Course #C332 Instructor: Mario Nardiello **NEW COURSE!**
- “Spanish for Educators: Communicating with Students, Parents and Staff”  
Course #C254 Instructor: Rosa Malley

### April 1 – May 2

- “Revolutionize Your Social Studies Classroom: Conquering the Next Generation Learning Standards”  
Course #C356 Instructor: Margaret Mavros **NEW COURSE!**
- “Creating LGBT-Inclusive Classrooms and Curriculum: Deepening Understanding and Acceptance for All Students” Course #C264 Instructor: Dr. Bernadette Weltsek
- “Strengthening the Home-School Connection: Using Technology to Create Positive Relationships with Students and Their Families” Course #C243 Instructor: Andrew Frisch

### April 7 – May 7

- “Calculating Success: Navigating the Next Generation Mathematics Standards”  
Course #C354 Instructor: Margaret Mavros **NEW COURSE!**
- “Language and Cultural Barriers in Education”  
Course #C184 Instructor: Stacey Kimbell

### April 8 – May 8

- “A Comprehensive Guide to Teaching SIFE/SLIFE: Best Practices for Educators, Counselors and Support Staff”  
Course #C340 Instructor: Gail Leibert **NEW COURSE!**
- “Using Google Apps in the Classroom: Beginner to Intermediate”  
Course #C102 Instructor: Christopher Smith
- “Building Camaraderie and Teamwork in Schools: Strengthening Educators’ Social and Emotional Well-Being”  
Course #C360 Instructor: Loni Stein **NEW COURSE!**

### April 9 – May 9

- “Mastery Learning: Strategies for Successful Student Performance in All Academic Areas”  
Course #C324 Instructor: Caryn Drezner **NEW COURSE!**
- “Flipped Classrooms: Transforming and Enhancing Traditional Instruction”  
Course #C270 Instructor: Danielle Roccisano
- “Teaching Communication Skills in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century”  
Course #C238 Instructor: Margaret Mavros

### April 14 – April 30

#### **APRIL BREAK ACCELERATED CLASS**

- “How Social Influences Impact Learning Readiness in Educational Environments”  
Course #C140 Instructor: Stacey Kimbell

#### April 22 – May 21

- “Safe Students, Safe Faculty: Establishing Ethical and Legal Boundaries for Professionalism in Education”  
Course #C230 Instructor: *Cindy Reide Combs*
- “Teacher Survival Guide: A Survey of Critical Concepts for Educators in All Subjects”  
Course #C326 Instructor: *Mario Nardiello* **NEW COURSE!**

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- “Virtual Field Trips: Explore the World from Your Classroom”  
Course #C166 Instructor: *Margaret Mavros*
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Course #C282 Instructor: *Dr. Bernadette Weltsek*
- “Spanish for Educators: Communicating with Students, Parents and Staff” Course #C254 Instructor: *Rosa Malley*

#### April 30 – May 30

- “Aligning Formative Assessment Strategies to Standards-Based Learning”  
Course #C106 Instructor: *Stacey Kimbell*
- “Examining Diversity in Our Schools: Impact on Learning and Classroom Dynamics”  
Course #C154 Instructor: *Judi Weissman*

#### May 5 – June 4

- “Beyond the Page: Bridging Theory to Practice in the Next Generation ELA Standards”  
Course #C352 Instructor: *Margaret Mavros* **NEW COURSE!**
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Course #C306 Instructor: *Margaret Mavros* **NEW COURSE!**

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Course #C182 *Instructor: Howard Block*
- **“Closing the Achievement Gap: Examining Disparities in Education”**  
Course #C226 *Instructor: Stacey Kimbell*

#### May 29 – June 26

- **“Next Generation Learning Standards: Teaching Students with Learning Disabilities”**  
Course #C150 *Instructor: Margaret Mavros*

#### **END-OF-SEMESTER-ACCELERATED CLASSES:**

#### June 2 - June 24

- **“Strategies for Effective Teacher Collaboration”**  
Course #C142 *Instructor: Andrew Frisch*
- **“Academic Rigor and Student Engagement: Classroom Practices for Effective Teaching”**  
Course #C104 *Instructor: Dr. Bernadette Weltsek*

#### June 4 – June 27

- **“Using Evidence-Based Teaching to Raise Standards and Strengthen Instructional Practices”**  
Course #C224 *Instructor: Stacey Kimbell*
- **“Computer Skills and Multi-Disciplinary Instruction: How Technology Can Enrich Students and Education”**  
Course #C128 *Instructor: Andrew Frisch*

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