

We are the team representing Clovis Adult Education. Our team is composed of our awesome coach Yecsenia Delgado, director of nursing Chun Hee McMahon and CTE nursing instructor Hannah Gandy. Elaine Sims is our department chair and while she did have to step back from being part of our DLAC team officially, she will continue to be a big part of our project supporting its development and implementation on campus. With this vacancy we are bringing in a new teammate, nursing instructor Amalia Pizano.

Our department is career technical education - health careers and we are part of Clovis Unified School District. We serve approximately 1,100 students annually here in Clovis, CA and provide our community with courses in nursing assistant, home health aide, CNA continuing education, VN pre-requisite classes, vocational nursing, CPR and now IV certification.

The Clovis Adult Education (CAE) nursing education department has used Moodle as a learning platform since 2017. All CAE nursing instructors were trained and familiarized with the usage of Moodle at that time with varying degrees of comfort and utilization. When OTAN announced that Moodle was transitioning to Canvas, the CAE nursing department was concerned with the transition as we still had some staff struggling with Moodle. Through the Moodle to Canvas transition we transferred over 89 nursing courses. In this process the digital classroom, online tests, supporting instructional materials, and grading systems had to be individually updated by the instructor. OTAN was pivotal in providing early education and support to our staff through this transition that took place in August of 2022.

IDEAL 101 has helped give our agency some great structure to our goals, by keeping us on track when it comes to time management and goal achievement. We have some clear goals and a timeline now for execution that may not have been so timely due to time constraints and challenges. We have had abstract thoughts about what we want to see in our transition to Canvas from Moodle and fully going “paperless” but IDEAL 101 has helped us to center our ideas and bring them into clarity.

Our goal is for all our nursing instructors to be able to use Canvas and other technological resources to its full potential and with some continuity between our classes. Additionally we would like to bridge the gap for our instructors, getting them all on a more level field when it comes to interacting and utilizing technology. Our biggest accomplishment to date, is getting all classes onto Canvas with minimal issues. Additionally, through the work of Elaine, we have created our “All Things Canvas” classroom where resources are posted for our instructors. The skills that we have refined during training sessions have been to lean on our strength and divide the labor of the project accordingly.

The plan is to complete our forms and digital training ground for our instructors to begin roll out in August before our next cohort start date. As we continue to grow the capabilities of our instructors and dive deeper into our utilization of Canvas we will continue to lean on the OTAN team for training and support.