

# Ascend

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LAPU's Newest Pathway to Your Success!

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Earn your **Master of Science** in Instructional Design & Technology



### Competency-Based

You learn and practice actual Instructional Design skills used on the job. You create projects that demonstrate your skills.



### Mobile-First


You can engage with your course and content on any device, anywhere, anytime.



### Flexible

Go at your own pace. Speed up when you know the subject well, slow down when you need to take a deeper dive, and pause when life takes priority.

 Earn your degree from anywhere

 Attend on your own schedule

 16 months to completion for \$10k\*

\*based on estimated pace.

Experience the **Freedom and Empowerment** that comes with being in control of your education!

# What is a Competency-Based Program?

Your education centered around you and your needs. You don't write about what you would do; you actually do it. At Ascend, you gain experience through practice, engaging with content, having discussions, and receiving feedback from your expert faculty coach. Our competency-based program focuses on applying knowledge and skills, so you are ready to work when you complete the program.

Think of it as a system designed to ensure all learners master the academic knowledge and can apply and use it in meaningful and creative ways.

If you are engaged in a project that meets the competencies for your course, you can use that project to demonstrate your mastery. Your coach will help guide you through the project as well. You get expert feedback on your work. That's pretty cool!

Here is the awesome stuff you will be able to do when you are done:

- Create professional quality digital assets.
- Make a difference by leading the design of inclusive, equitable, learner-centered experiences.
- Use real data to help you make design and development choices.
- Analyze the diverse factors that affect your design and delivery of learning experiences.
- Apply theory in ways that help the learning stick and make a difference for both the learner and the organization.



## How does the program work?

Have you ever wanted to have a remote control for your life? Have you attended classes where you wanted to fast forward through or slow down a bit? Now you can. Our MSIDT program works on a subscription model. You pay for four months at a time and move through courses at your pace. You can move faster or slower depending on your experience with the specific competency. You are guided in each class by an expert faculty coach with whom you meet and receive expert feedback.

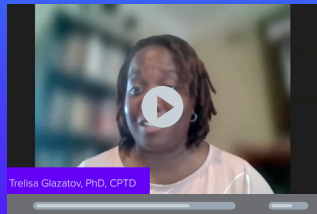
You are well supported as you gain knowledge, skills, and experience that you can immediately use.



# Who teaches my courses?

Your courses are taught by instructional design experts with the hands-on experience you are looking for. Meet some of your instructors:

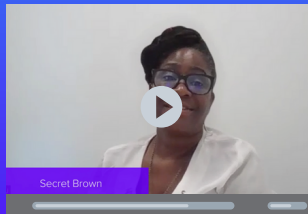
## Trelisa Glazatov



## Darryl Meekins



## Secret Brown



## George Hanshaw



# What classes will I take?

## Creating Learning Experiences

This is your first course. You develop instructional design skills for designing instructional and non-instructional interventions and learning assessments and practically apply instructional design theory to organizational needs.

## Workplace Learning

You apply talent development and performance improvement strategies to support organizational improvement efforts. You learn how to meet organizational and individual learner needs through learning design.

## Equitable & Inclusive Learning

You develop an increased awareness and maintenance of integrity, laws, and other professional standards that influence human learning, talent development, and organizational learning culture.

## Facilitating Engagement

You develop practical skills related to diverse, effective teaching and learning strategies for various delivery modalities, including facilitator-led, online, and self-paced learning.

## e-Learning Authoring

You integrate technology and create learning spaces and materials that incorporate accessibility, message design, and graphic design principles to create effective technology-based learning assets.

## Knowledge Management

You gain practical knowledge and skills in using knowledge management tools and systems to facilitate access, archiving, retrieving, and reusing various learning objects and instructional resources.

## Career & Leadership Development

You develop practical knowledge and skills that support professional goals and advancement within the learning and training industry, including relationship building, effective communication, collaboration, and exploration of career opportunities.

## Leveraging Learning Data

You learn to evaluate the effort, effectiveness, and impact of the learning experience using qualitative and quantitative methods. You develop skills related to data collection, analysis, and interpretation that support and inform instructional design decisions.

## Practitioner Scholarship

You apply research principles and methodology to engage in the scholarship of learning, application, practice, and utilization that supports and informs the instructional designers within their work setting.

## Instructional Design Capstone

This is your final course. You polish any artifacts and finalize the portfolio you have been creating throughout your program while reflecting on previous work and where you take your skills next.

