Certificate in Digital Learning Design

Purpose of Program
The Digital Learning Design (DLD) Certificate is designed to meet the needs of the working professional responsible for designing digital instructional materials or learning processes. Specifically, this certificate is situated in learning theory that is the core of educational psychology.

Program Options
The DLD requires 15 credit hours (five graduate courses) and is directly aligned with professional design standards from the Association for Educational Communications and Technology (AECT), the International Society for Performance Improvement (ISPI), and the International Society for Technology in Education (ISTE):

15 credit hours (five graduate courses):
   Two required courses:
      EDP 5003 Learning Theory (A special section will be offered online)
      EDP 5343 or IST 5343 Instructional Design Theories (cross listed and offered online or face-to-face)
   Three required specialization courses from advisor approved graduate courses from EDP or IST

Total: 2 EDP course, 2 IST courses, and 1 cross-listed course

Career Opportunities
Professionals are often lacking in one or more specific design standards and the certificate will allow learners to acquire knowledge in these areas. In addition, it will develop job-specific DLD knowledge that can be applied as needed by working professionals, potentially lead to career advancement.

Admission Requirements
• Baccalaureate degree from a regionally accredited institution.
• GPA of at least 3.0 (on a 4.0 scale) in last 30 hrs of baccalaureate degree program and all previous graduate work.
• Be in good standing at the last institution attended.
• Intermediate or advanced skills in at least two of the following areas: web design, multimedia/animation, video, Internet tools, or graphics (indicated by attaching a professional resume).
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How to Apply
Apply through the UTSA graduate school at: http://www.utsa.edu/graduate. Please attention all mail (transcripts, etc.) to:

University of Texas at San Antonio
Attn: The Graduate School
One UTSA Circle
San Antonio, TX 78249

Contact Information:
Financial Aid and Scholarships:
All students interested in financial aid should fill out the FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Assistance). The link to this site is: http://www.fafsa.ed.gov/

Students may also be interested in Graduate Assistantship positions available within the College. Typically, these assistantships are 19 hours per week.

Scholarships are also available to Graduate Students. Attached are links to scholarship databases:

http://www.graduateschool.utsa.edu/prospective_students/detail/financing_your_future/

http://www.utsa.edu/scholarships/

http://education.utsa.edu/current_students/scholarships