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**[The 2023 Maker Educator Leadership Certificate Program is drawing near!](#)**

*The UW–Madison School of Education office of Professional Learning and Community Education (PLACE) opens registration for classroom teachers and informal educators to join a program to engage in making, conversations, and job-embedded professional development.*

**Madison, WI:** The office of Professional Learning and Community Education (PLACE) is now accepting registration for the [Maker Educator Leadership Certificate Program](#). This program consists of four fully online, sequential modules dedicated to building educators’ intentional design of maker-based learning experiences, documentation of those experiences, and tools and routines to discuss their work with colleagues. The Maker Educator Leadership Certificate Program is backed by the facilitators’ years of experience leading the Agency by Design, Pittsburgh learning community.

“I have become more intentional about my core values in the way I teach and interact with students.” – Agency by Design, Pittsburgh Participant

“It has allowed me to feel comfortable taking chances and trying new ideas with my students. There is a community of support that is always ready with tips and feedback.” – Agency by Design, Pittsburgh Participant

This program will provide a transformative learning experience for classroom teachers and informal educators (e.g. museum, library, and after-school educators). The Maker Educator Leadership Certificate Program focuses on designing and assessing learning and engagement in maker-based learning experiences, protocols, and routines to discuss learning and engagement with colleagues.

[The Maker Educator Leadership Certificate Program](#) aims to help educators identify desired goals for maker-based learning in their learning settings; refine what constitutes evidence of engagement in those goals; analyze learner evidence to guide the design of maker-based learning; plan collaboratively with educators to improve student learning; participate in protocols to share and discuss evidence of learning; utilize routines, such as design challenges and walk-throughs to share and discuss evidence of learning; and reflect on maker education practice and use that reflection to grow and improve continually.

**Facilitators:** [Dr. Peter Wardrip](#), UW-Madison Assistant Professor of STEAM Education & [Dr. Jeff Evancho](#), Director of Partnerships & Equity, Northgate School District.

**When:** This program runs from January 2023–November 2023

- **Module One:** January 11–February 28
- **Module Two:** March 8–April 19
- **Module Three:** May 3–June 7
- **Module Four:** September 20–November 15

**Where:** Virtual/online

**Program Fee\*:** \$3,500 (certificate only, no graduate credits); \$6,020 (certificate and 12 graduate credits).

**Group Rate:** (3 or more teachers), \$3,000 without credit and \$5,520 with credit.

*\*Program fee can be paid in installments or split across the two school years. Email [place@education.wisc.edu](mailto:place@education.wisc.edu) for more information.*

*We grow as educators by sharing ideas and experiences within our supportive community. We encourage groups of individuals (three or more people) to register together to offer unique perspectives and drive conversations in this discussion-based program! For information regarding the Group Registration process, contact [conferences@education.wisc.edu](mailto:conferences@education.wisc.edu)*

**About PLACE:** [The office of Professional Learning and Community Education \(PLACE\)](#) draws on the best ideas and people in the UW–Madison School of Education to provide transformational learning experiences for artists, educators, leaders, and lifelong learners around the world.

