

Refresh, Remix, and Reframe

The 2019 Adult Education Program human-centered design training series kicks off in January

Building on the recent human-centered design (HCD) online trainings brought to you by the American Institute of Research (AIR), California Adult Education Program, Acumen, and WestEd, there are four in-person workshops and a webinar scheduled during the upcoming year.

These workshops are designed for consortia who have already participated in the Acumen online HCD training. Each day-long workshop is designed for deeper exploration of tools that practitioners can immediately apply to their work and collaboration in the field. Consortia should identify expanded design teams to participate. Depending on how many individuals from your consortia or nearby consortia are able to attend, we may be able to bring this training to your area.

HCD isn't a 'secret hack,' but rather, an approach for solving design challenges. What may work in one setting may not work in another. As suggested by facilitator, Virginia Hamilton:

HCD is a process that provides insight to help practitioners better understand who students are and what they really need... It's also a different way of engaging with partners. During the learning process, it isn't about getting things right. It's what you do with your perspective after the training that really matters.

Participants will be encouraged to continue to use the the tools used in these workshops in their daily practice and collaborative work. As Albert Einstein said, "we cannot solve problems with the same thinking we used when they were created." In the spirit of the new year, this training is an opportunity to 'be the change you wish to see.'

If you have questions or are interested in participating in the training, please contact Jimi Gilroy at jgilroy@wested.org, or (510) 302-4261. Trainings will be scheduled in locations where the greatest amount of participation is established.

Save the Date:

Journey Mapping and Problem Framing:

February 22, 2019: 10am-4pm

Embark on a day long investigative learning opportunity to process map student engagement, persistence, and pitfalls.

Prototype Building and Testing:

March 8, 2019: 10am-4pm

Experiment with your ideas through creating artifacts, role playing, and product testing.

Persona Building:

May 24, 2019: 10am-4pm

Collaborate and create archetypes through persona building to gain a new lens for working with students more effectively.

Contagious Creativity Webinar
June, 2019

Join us to share and celebrate 'ah ha' moments that changed your thinking through:

Discovery

Interpretation

Ideation

Experimentation

Evolution