DEED-Coursera Partnership Utilization for Job Seekers

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What's Coursera? What courses do they have?

- Almost 8,000 courses in MN's course catalog on Coursera
- "Hard Skills" courses in IT/tech, business, as well as other industries
 - Multiple CompTIA A+ Exam prep courses or adjacent training through Google; Cybersecurity
 - Project Management, Intuit Bookkeeping, Data Analytics
- Personal & Professional Development ("Soft Skills")
- Career and College Exploration-type courses
- Guided Projects: project-based (final product instead of certificate/certification)
 - Examples: "Write a Resume and Cover Letter with Google Docs", "Create a Profile & Network on LinkedIn"



Professional & Gateway Certificates (in DEED's course catalog on Coursera)

Google IT Support Arizona State University TESOL Facebook Social Media Marketing (ISC)² Systems Security Certified Practitioner (SSCP) **Google IT Automation with Python Cloud Architecture with Google Cloud Cloud Engineering with Google Cloud Data Engineering with Google Cloud** SRE and DevOps Engineer with Google Cloud **Google Cloud Networking Google Cloud Security IBM Full Stack Cloud Developer IBM Data Science Professional Certificate IBM Customer Engagement Specialist IBM Cybersecurity Analyst IBM Applied A.I.** EMPLOYMENT AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

IBM z/OS Mainframe Practitioner IBM AI Engineering IBM Data Analyst IBM Machine Learning Intuit Bookkeeping SAS Advanced Programmer SAS Programmer SAS Visual Business Analytics Salesforce Sales Development Representative DeepLearning.AI TensorFlow Developer Certified Ethical Emerging Technologist ICPM Certified Supervisor Google UX Design Google Project Management Google Data Analytics

DEED & Coursera Partnership: June 2020 – June 2021

- June-Dec 2020: Any Minnesotan could sign up at CareerForceMN.com/Coursera whose employment, wages, or education had been impacted by the pandemic.
 - Unlimited number of learners (free courses + free certificates)
 - Dec 31 was sign-up cut-off; access lasted through June 2021
- Over 10,000 Minnesotans requested access before the 12/31/20 deadline
- Partnership renewed with different terms (runs through 4/30/22)



DEED & Coursera Partnership: Spring 2021 - April 2022

- Fewer (and limited) learner licenses but as of 10/27/21 we still have some left to allocate
- Seeking more workforce partners to utilize access to the full course catalog through partnership with Coursera, which runs through **April 30, 2022**
- Beyond April 2022:
 - Google's professional certificate programs still available to us, if we want them: IT Support, Project Management, Data Analytics, UX Design, and IT Automation (4 of 5 have ACE college credit recs)
 - Ongoing CPL work/collaboration with MN State



Data & Usage: Broad Overview (as of 10/27/21)

Course Completions: **12,411** Collective Learning Hours: **204,460** Lessons Completed: **244,866**

Average Course Review: **4.7/5.0** (1,561 reviews with a "star rating" of 1-5)

MN Course Completers:

Exactly 1 Course: **1,508** Exactly 2 Courses: Exactly 3 Courses: Completed 4+ Courses:

Total Unique MN learners with 1 or more course completions: **3,146**



Challenges

- WIOA parameters (physical location; ETPL rules; virtual platform vs. content owner)
- Digital literacy and other barriers can make asynchronous ("on-demand") learning more difficult, with not much "wrap-around support" built in
 - Some CBO workforce partners attempting this
- Other existing systems and bandwidth issues



MAWB JSS Questions

- Have you/your colleagues utilized Coursera since DEED made it available?
 - Any insights to share? Happy to chat 1-on-1 or in a small group, too!
- Do you have the interest and capacity to explore utilizing this tool during DEED's remaining time with this partnership?
 - How about for the longer term (Grow with Google-only content)?
- Future of training is here ("on-demand", bite-sized), not going away especially in some industries specifically: how do we utilize it within our system?
- Want to check out Coursera for yourself? Email me: Ben.Baglio@state.mn.us
 - Will send an invitation as a learner through Coursera





Thank You!

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