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Speaker

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Speaker's bio

Brenda C. Litchfield is a Professor of Instructional Design. Prof Litchfield taught grades K-12 for 11 years. She taught biology, anatomy and physiology, environmental science, and earth science. She currently teaches educational psychology and instructional design courses at the graduate level. She is the program coordinator for the Master's and PhD programs in Instructional Design.

She received her BS in Elementary Education from the University of Florida, her MS in Science Education from the University of North Florida, and her PhD in Instructional Systems from Florida State University.

She has received numerous awards for her teaching and innovations. She has graduated 17 PhD students and is currently chair of 10 committees. Her research interests are in the areas of motivation, metacognition, and self-regulated learning especially in online courses.

Abstract

Everyone has different learning styles. Do you know what yours is? Do you know how to maximize your effort when learning or teaching? Learning styles are the ways people perceive, process, and organize information. Some people learn best by visual presentations, some by auditory presentations, and some do best when they manipulate and interact with materials. No one style is best for everyone. Learners do have a best channel through which they most effectively. The point is to find out what that channel is.

Students come to the classroom with different learning styles and different needs. By learning to recognize these differences, instructors can be more effective in their teaching. When students are aware of their different learning styles they can adjust their attention and learning to become more efficient learners.

This lecture is for instructors and students. It will introduce instructors to learning styles and how knowledge of them can help them plan interesting lessons. It will provide students with information they can use to become effective learners. Some self-analyses will be used so the audience members can determine their own learning styles.

Target Audience

All are welcome

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