

## Video Title: Adult Education: How to teach online – Paula Shaw



Millennial children have been brought up on digital technologies and mass media. This is having an impact on further and higher education institutions who are facing pressures to provide the same experiences as classroom experiences but online. The ability to design and deliver online learning is becoming a vital skill for educators. With a specific focus on adult education this course provides the know-how of how to design online courses, the ability to create and design online communities and the knowledge of what is required to effectively teach online.

Initially when the role came up for online teaching I looked at it and I thought no way, I haven't got the skills. I'm sure I won't be able to do it. But I thought you know what, give it a go so I did and with mentoring and induction support and really taking me through the modules, I've now developed a little bit more confidence than I was before and I feel I've now made that transition from being on-campus teacher to online teacher and also facilitator. As a dinosaur like me, if I can do it and make the change from campus teaching to online teaching, I feel anybody can.

The University of Derby has always been ahead of the curve in technology enhanced learning. As far back as the 1990s we experimented with computer aided assessment and in the year 2000, we launched our first online degrees with the Global University Alliance. We are well placed to be in this immersive environment and now we'd like to invite other educators to learn from our experiences.