Integrating Digital Literacy in IET Instruction

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Outline

- Digital Literacy Instruction at REEP
- IET: English and Workplace Computer Skills (MOS certification)
- Basic computer skills track
- Looking ahead
Classes
3000+ enrollments
12-week sessions, morning/evening
Beginning to advanced levels
18-25 students per class

Demographics
80 countries
64% female/36% male
59% 25-44 years old
49% educated beyond high school
Instructional Approach
Digital Literacy Integration

Integration in ESL curriculum
Basic computer skills classes
Integrated Education and Training (IET)
IET: English and Computer Skills for the Workplace

- Workplace English – soft skills
- MOS certification in **Word**
- Job coaching
- High-intermediate to advanced
- 15 students per class
- Intensive: 180/108 hours (**MORN/EVEN**)
- Blended model
IET: English and Computer Skills for the Workplace

- ELA instructors with digital literacy background
- Partners:
  - Career & Technical Education
  - Arlington Employment Center
5 cohorts
25 certifications
Challenges

Test taking skills

Language

Motivation Foundational Skills

Recruitment

- pilcrow
- “switch”
- “swap”
- “replace”
Basic Computer Skills Instruction
Basic Computer Skills - Northstar

- Basic skills, Windows OS, Internet, privacy, email, and Word
- once-a-week pullout class
- Intermediate to advanced levels
- Bridge ESL and digital literacy
- based on Northstar Digital Literacy Assessment program
162 students

500+ certifications
Making Progress - Northstar

- Increase instructional time for class
- Integrate Northstar LMS (“NSOL”)
- Bridge the skills gap
- Address access issues
IET participation in basic skills class

Program Year

- 2018-2019
- 2019-2020
- 2020-2021
- 2021-2022

COVID / move to online
Looking ahead...
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