Texas Internship Course
Preparing students for the workplace
Workforce Readiness

Creating A Custom District Internship Course
Meeting Your Region’s Industry Trends

Facilitating a Positive Future.
OUR PRESENTERS

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Introduction to the Dallas ISD Internship Preparation Project
Creating a 21\textsuperscript{st} Century Internship Course

• Teachers were not required to gather materials or create new content

• Comprehensive program with many lesson options to choose from

• Built-in Assessments

• Piloted by students and vetted by the district
• Allowed district initiatives to be included (improving students’ ability to write across the curriculum in various forms)

• Aligned with the region’s local business approaches, terms and nomenclature
Engage Students With Relevant Skills

- Students were engaged and felt the courseware was interesting and relevant
- Course projects included writing a resume, a cover letter, and essays
- Skills to carry over to college and/or career
Empower Districts to Support Career Readiness

- Students gain better expectations about the workplace and job requirements
- Students learn proper work etiquette and take pride in their work
- Student body represents themselves in a professional manner
Ensures Consistency For Partner Organizations

- Student preparation was consistent and demonstrated district professionalism
- Provided valuable opportunity for companies
- Industry-specific skills were well-received by regional organizations
Track Student Performance Easily & Effectively

- Teachers can track when students log in, how long they’ve worked, and what was completed
- Grading is automated
- Teachers can add notes and provide guidance and direction
“My students who have completed this course will walk away having explored more than just using electronic devices for social media. These are life skills that will be helpful in their internship and their life, whether they go to college or straight into the workforce.”

Phyllis (Shelley) Wylie, Skyline High School
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Introduction to customizing an Internship Course for your district
ADD LESSONS FROM ANY ODYSSEYWARE COURSE
Including: Core, Electives & CTE Courses

Course: Office Applications II
Unit: Creating Microsoft Excel Spreadsheets
- Microsoft Excel Data Types
- Entering and Editing Cell Data
- Selecting, Filling, Moving, and Copying Cell Data

Course: Power, Structural, & Technical Systems
Unit: Sources of Power
- Evaluation of Engine Power and Efficiency
- Entering and Editing Cell Data
- Project: Purchasing a New Tractor
- Quiz 2

= FLEX ASSESSMENT
Unit and course assessments automatically adjust to new sequence.
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Flexible. Set the Place, Pace & Path

**Time**
- Cloud-Based
- 24/7 Access
- Anywhere, anytime learning

**Place**
- Access from Home or School
- One platform, one login
- On any computer or device

**Path**
- Customized Content
- Individualized Learning Paths
- Flex Assessments
- Data Informs Instruction

**Pace**
- Accelerate, Remediate & Personalize
- Students can pick up right where they left off in the course
Built-in Instructional Supports

Direct Instruction Videos

Dynamic Learning Activities

Instructional Toolbox

Reference • Student & Teacher Notes • Text-to-Speech Transcripts • Translation • Vocabulary • Writer
Writing Components in Courseware

Targeted, live feedback that encourages student revision.
QUESTIONS

Are You Ready to Create Your District Internship Course?

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