

## Welcome

As Director of Educational Technology Policy, Research and Outreach (ETO) within the College of Education, my primary responsibility is providing technology professional development to educators throughout the region (graduate course work, workshops, conferences, seminars etc.). Other duties include: assisting other faculty members within the College of Education and with other campus units in integrating technology within their coursework, and helping to design online materials or components for coursework; assisting local school systems with staff development and staff training integrating technology into the classrooms.

My philosophy towards technology integration in the classroom setting focuses on how technology applications and strategies can help ALL students succeed. In my work with professional development for educators, it is surprising to find many educators who are unfamiliar with the wealth of resources and data available to them to help in their instructional practices. Some educators can find the data (data sets online or from their school) but have a hard time interpreting the data, connecting it to their classroom routines or are unfamiliar with the technology tools that can help them make use of the data to their fullest potential. I hope this course module reflects new insights into to this area and that each of the participants will share this knowledge with other educators.

It is very important to ask questions as the need arises. If you have any questions, ask me! If you need to ask questions privately, send me an email: [dp151@umail.umd.edu](mailto:dp151@umail.umd.edu)