

Career Goal

The MSITE program at East Carolina University is preparing me for a career in technology education in the public and/or higher education industry. Since starting this program, I have secured a job in the Technology Department at North Carolina Virtual Public School. I hope to take what I have learned and apply the principals, methods, and models to my every day job duties. I do not intend on creating or designing instruction as a career, but I do plan on participating in Instructional Design as a system. I look forward to working with my colleagues who are more versed in the design part of instructional design whereas I will contribute to the technology integration of the designed instruction. However, understanding the design processes and models are crucial, even if I am just integrating technology with already created design. The skills and knowledge I now have will help me to better select what type of technology to integrate, how to integrate it, and how to provide alternatives in cases that need them. One up and coming field that I hope to apply my new knowledge to is the field of Universal Design for Learning (UDL). UDL adoption is part of the strategic plan at my place of employment. I am excited to jump in and assist our curriculum team with implementing instruction that fits all learners. While we will start with one change to implement the UDL process, more changes will take place and I look forward to participating and learning as I become part of a team implementing innovative ways of teaching and learning.