

Dear Dr. Durff and Classmates,

I believe that this is the best course that I have taken in this entire time in this Master's Program for Instructional Technology. I really admire you Dr. Durff, if I could live up to half of an example you have been to us, that would be a blessing.

I Can honestly say that I have not enjoyed another class within this program more than this one! You are also one of the BEST professors I've had. You are the ONLY one who provided so many opportunities for participation (I love the Kahoot! game.). I have learned so much in this class and even though it is online, you have demonstrated the importance of communication and engagement activities to keep students motivated to learn. Thank you for your patience with me as I freaked out about templates and tech issues. I truly have enjoyed this class! I am going to use the information learned in my next class and my future teaching practice.

Dr. Durff has by far been one of the best instructors I have had in my back to school journey. This includes all the instructors I had while getting my bachelor's. She is extremely knowledgeable. I find myself wanting to do the assignments. Her feedback is so helpful and well thought out. She responds almost immediately to every question and email. Dr. Durff genuinely cares about her students and it shows even though it was an online course. Would love to have her as my instructor in the rest of my courses.

I truly have learned a lot on how to be a great coach and the best characteristics of a successful mentor and coach. With all of the references that you have given us, surely we should be able to set up our PLN. This information will never become obsolete, I will always be able to reach back and be a great coach. Thank you for allowing me/us to look you up and stay connected for our future journey. Thank you also for the inspiration of scriptures, it was always a blessing to be encouraged with God's word! Many blessings to always!

Thank you, Professor, for the extra guidance and suggestions for our upcoming assignments. I love how you take the time to reach out to us to make sure we understand and give us every opportunity to succeed!

Thank you Dr. Durff, I greatly appreciate all of your time in creating this video for us. It was above and beyond any expectations I had in starting this course. I have been a master's student for over a year, and you are the first professor to provide this level of assistance. I look forward to learning with you in this course.

Dr. Durff, I have learned an abundance of knowledge from your class. I appreciate you using a multitude of strategies to be diverse in your teaching. You modeled each one through discussion giving us the opportunity to try new technologies. You actively kept us thinking, writing, comparing, and applying new knowledge. This allowed me to learn more easily. You gave me a rationale for what I was learning, and I understood why you had

chosen certain instructional methods and learning activities. It is obvious you are passionate about your teaching and it overflows to your students.

Overall, this is the best class I have taken during this master's program and I am very thankful for everything I learned and for Dr. Durff's support and guidance through the process.

You're a prime example of a phenomenal teacher who models positivity and radiates it through her classroom setting, despite being online.

Thank you so much for your engagement in the course! I started my Masters in July 2018 and you have been THE BEST already. You are very innovative. I also appreciate that you are setting the tone and expectations for the course right away. As a 4.0 student, I appreciate high standards, especially since we are educators.

Thank you for all you have done for this course! It's been amazing!

Professor, I just wanted to Thank you so much for everything you have taught me in your class. I really enjoyed being a part of it!! I also want to thank you for being so understanding when I had to turn in assignments at a later time when I was feeling sick. You are an amazing teacher!!! I am so happy that I got to meet you!!! Thank you and have a wonderful evening! :)

You have been an amazing instructor these last six weeks. As online students at GCU, we were blessed to have been taught by you. You encouraged, inspired, and challenged us to be successful in this course. I appreciate all that you have done and I pray that God will continue to bless you and your family.

I would like to say thank you for teaching us and being extremely supportive throughout these past 6 weeks. I have learned so much throughout our journey together and wish everyone continued success and many blessings all the way to the finish line. The most important lesson that I have learned in this course is the importance of remaining positive while promoting learning in a manner that is catered to every individual student's academic needs.

I wanted to ask if you taught any other courses in GCU? If so, I would love to be in another one of your classes. I have learned so much from you and I admire how interactive you are with all your scholars.

This instructor was very knowledgeable about the information that she was delivering to the students. She was very responsive and graded assignments quickly to get our grades back to us. She always let me know what I was doing right or wrong on an assignment so that I wouldn't make the same mistake again.

I have thoroughly enjoyed this course and greatly appreciate learning from an engaged professor.

Dr. Durff has been an amazing facilitator for this class. She is extremely active on the discussion boards, providing us with excellent research, and has made this course quite pleasurable. It is clear that she wants all of her students to be successful in everything they do and provides us with several different ways to receive additional support. By far, Dr. Durff has been the BEST facilitator throughout my entire experience at GCU. I wish more facilitators were like her as she truly knows what to do to create an active, engaging, and effective classroom environment.

Dr. Durff helped me succeed in this class. Her expertise and knowledge guided me through this course. She provides timely feedback and provides support when needed. I need one more class to finish the program here at GCU, and by far she has been the best professor I've had. She's very encouraging and motivating.

Dr. Durff is amazing. She is an excellent teacher. She differentiated with every task she asked of us. I was amazed at the amount of work she asks of her students, yet, she had me engaged and I wanted to do it. I knew anything she assigned I would learn from. Not from the material alone, but how she incorporates it through discussion, interactive games, videos, etc. I am very impressed and am blessed to have learned from her.

Professor Durff is by far the most engaged professor I have had at GCU and she brings a level of participation, experience, and demonstrated best practices that have been unmatched in any online course I have ever taken at any institution. She is proactive in her communications, thorough in her explanations and makes herself available in many ways and at many times. She is above and beyond the best ambassador for GCU that I have interacted with.

She was very interactive, supportive, and highly knowledgeable of the topics we focused on. She referred to additional scholarly research to support her points and expand our knowledge like no previous professor I have had. I VERY HIGHLY recommend her to anyone interested in learning about technology coaching.

Thank you for taking the time to provide us with the highlights to this week's content. I am very appreciative of the way you are introducing and reviewing each concept and how you have us engage and participate in the forums as well as other means of communication. I feel very supported as this is the first time throughout my experience at GCU, where an instructor is very involved. Your passion for teaching and connection is a breath of fresh air as I feel as though I am very well informed.

Dr. Durff is a professor that gives all her time for discussion. She also provides opportunities to get participation points. She gives creative feedback that professional growth as well. What I like about her, she's making the learning fun. I feel like I am in a classroom with her. We have fun in making picture collage of our loved ones, playing Kahoot. Everything is a learning experience. She's uses a lot of technology assisted learning.

Dr. Durff is an amazing online instructor. She was inspiring, encouraging, and challenging. She provided us with the necessary tools that we needed to be successful in this course. I

am not one of the students who is tech savvy, but Dr. Durff introduced us to new platforms of technology that I am now getting acclimated to. I was very blessed to have this instructor for the last six weeks. I hope that our paths will cross again in my educational journey at Grand Canyon University.

Dr. Durff is patient and understanding. The classes and material was well planned and she challenged us to discuss and share using many different methods. Dr. Durff provided useful feedback and engaged in classroom instruction in meaningful ways. She provided additional instructions for each assignment and a recap for the weekly goals/objectives. She provided many opportunities for participation in weekly discussions and challenged us to think and reflect deeply on practices.

Dr. Durff really cares about us, not only as a student but as a person. She made herself available for questions at all hours of the day. She is a really great instructor! I felt a connection to Dr. Durff and definitely got a sense that she wanted our class to be the best champions for the field of early childhood education that we could be. My personal life was very busy during this class and Dr. Durff was willing to work with me. I would like to have her as an instructor again, so that I can gain more insight into this subject and fully engage in the discussions...gaining more knowledge in the process!

I just wanted to send a quick message to thank you for sharing with us many new tools that I plan on using in my classroom and sharing with my colleagues. I learned a great amount in this class and appreciate how quickly you have been to respond to questions and offer guidance. I also appreciate all the different participation opportunities and enjoyed trying new things. Thank you for a wonderful learning experience.

I feel that professor Durff was very engaging and provided so much support. She was very active in the class which was very much appreciated.

No professor, thus far, has even come close to the support you are willing to provide your students. I love your videos; it really makes me feel like I have more of a direct teacher-student connection and learning experience!

I am sad to say good-bye. This has been such an enjoyable 6 weeks of learning. You are amazing at making connections to your students, pushing us to learn more, providing additional resources for us to gain more knowledge and using your sense of humor. I will miss your weekly announcements. Thank you for your attention to this class, going over and beyond for us and your kindness during my brother-in-law's death. I highly recommend you. Keep up the good work!!! You have made a lasting impression on this teacher. Much love and safety.

Dr. Lisa Durff has been the most engaging, helpful, and hands on professor I have had through this program. She responds immediately and goes above and beyond expectations. An example of this would be providing a brief two minute video to answer a question I had showing me step by step how to complete the task. She is down to Earth,

reliable, and has an engaging sense of humor. I appreciate her so much for everything she has done to make me feel safe, welcomed, and valued. Dr. Durff has always lifted me up and encouraged me to become a better student and educator. I will greatly miss her and this class.