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Cal Poly Offers Online Professional Development for Teachers

SAN LUIS OBISPO -- Cal Poly Continuing Education has created a new online course for teachers on how to teach reading. This course has all the tools to help new teachers pass the Reading Instruction Competence Assessment (RICA) test, while current teachers will benefit from the comprehensive resources, ready-to-use activities and self-assessments.

The course covers skills for planning, teaching and evaluating a balanced comprehensive reading and language arts program for grades K-8, with in-depth tutorial on RICA content specifications. Participants can earn four continuing education units on completing the course, and the Web site resources will remain accessible to participants for three additional months.

The course will be offered March 27 through June 9 for a fee of $365. For additional information, visit the Cal Poly Continuing Education Web site at www.continuing-ed.calpoly.edu.

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