**Course overview – Start here!**

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Welcome to **Humanizing virtual learning: A Guide to Creating Connection, Engagement, and Inclusivity** (abbreviated to Humanizing virtual learning, HVL). This course has two components:

1. **An Open Educational Resource (OER), built within Pressbooks**, which has the same name:
   1. [Humanizing Virtual Learning: A Guide to Creating Connection, Engagement, and Inclusivity](https://ecampusontario.pressbooks.pub/humanizinglearningonline/)**(HVL Pressbook)**
   2. The HVL Pressbook OER is open and available to anyone, at anytime, on the web. It is a self-directed learning experience and has **no credential** associated with it.
2. **This Learning Management System (LMS) companion site** includes the opportunity to earn a **certificate of completion** for the course. This companion site contains:
   1. **four module pages** that provide links to the corresponding module in the HVL OER and links to the module activities;
   2. **four module quizzes** in which you indicate which activities you have completed in each module to earn your credential.

Since you are accessing the course via your LMS, you are completing the credentialed version of the course.

**What do I need to do to obtain a credential for this course?**

To obtain a **certificate of completion** for the course, you are required to complete **three activities of your choice in each module**, as outlined on the module pages:

* **Module 1: Designing for connection**
* **Module 2: Designing for inclusivity**
* **Module 3: Facilitating for connection**
* **Module 4: Facilitating for inclusivity**

**Where should I start?**

To get started, read the “[About this course—Start here!](https://ecampusontario.pressbooks.pub/humanizinglearningonline/front-matter/introduction/)” section of the HVL Pressbook. It provides an overview of the course, including the course learning outcomes, key course features, and tips on how to navigate the Pressbook.

Then, work through the modules, according to the recommended deadlines outlined on the **Course schedule.**

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