



We are pleased to announce the release of the second set of five (5) Professional Development Program (PDP) courses. You can access the courses directly through the members-only section of the website via an integrated learning management system (LMS). The LMS allows you to take courses any time at your convenience, and, as needed, to begin a course and come back to complete it at another time.

The new courses include:

**Instruction Category:**

*Instructional Design:* Mike Thompson, CFII and Retired college dean

CFIs need to master the complexities of curriculum creation. Instructional design brings together the teaching process, assessment, evaluation, and curriculum skills.

**Business/Communication Category:**

*Speak Your Mind:* Peg Ballou, Flight School Owner, CFI/CFII

Building a great presentation with today's technology can be overwhelming, but presenting it can be downright frightening. Learn techniques to effectively present your PowerPoint in a professional and entertaining way avoiding common mistakes that occur when presenting to the public.

**Risk Management and Human Factors Category:**

*Teaching Difficult Students:* Steve Vaught, 141 Chief Flight Instructor CFI/I

In this discussion, we provide strategies to help get through to that one student you just have a hard time with.

**Electives Category:**

*Understanding GPS Systems:* Steve Vaught, 141 Chief Flight Instructor CFI/I

GPS is one of aviation's most important and valuable tools, in this discussion, we talk about the science of multilateration, causes of GPS error, and future enhancements.

*NEXRAD and ADS-B:* Steve Vaught, 141 Chief Flight Instructor CFI/I

The Next Generation Doppler Radar system provides fast, reliable weather tracking nationwide. ADS-B allows tighter separation, position reporting, and situational awareness.

Remember, this is a beta so it is vital that members provide us direct feedback of their thoughts on the pros and cons of various aspects of the program. This as a platform for learning that will evolve so please let us know what you think! You can email me at [jniehaus@nafinet.org](mailto:jniehaus@nafinet.org) or call 866-806-6156. Be sure to watch Mentor and eMentor for information on the next five courses coming soon\*.

Sincerely,

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