

ILCCO Strategic Plan FY 2025 - 2028

ILCCO's Vision/Mission/Purpose is defined as follows:

- Build excellence in 21st century education by serving as a catalyst to promote best practices and create learner-centered educational environments through adherence to core values of innovation, collaboration and sharing, leadership, and excellence. More specifically we will:
 - Explore and evaluate new instructional strategies and technologies to bring about change in online teaching and learning.
 - Work collaboratively, both formally and informally, to share resources, best practices, data, and experiences to enhance initiatives that support online teaching and learning.
 - Use data to effectively improve distance learning.
- As a gathering of leaders in online education in the state of Illinois, contribute to the leadership development of our members as leaders in their own institutions by strengthening skills and abilities while also striving to guide and advocate for quality online learning in the state.

1. ILCCO will provide opportunities for distance education staff at member colleges to improve as distance education leaders.

Objective 1: ILCCO will provide information on critical topics.

Action Item 1: ILCCO will arrange presentations and discussion forums for members to gain insight on timely topics.

Objective 2: ILCCO will provide scholarship opportunities for distance education staff to receive certifications.

Action Item 1: ILCCO will create a scholarship planning task force to develop the scholarship strategy.

Action Item 2: ILCCO will offer scholarships based on criteria established by the task force to Steering members or distance education staff at member colleges to enhance their knowledge in the field.

Objective 3: ILCCO will provide professional development opportunities for faculty and staff at member institutions.

Action Item 1: ILCCO will annually offer the Growing Online Learning Conference.

Action Item 2: ILCCO will offer professional development opportunities to support faculty and staff at member colleges.

Objective 4: ILCCO will provide professional development on organizational management.

Action Item 1: ILCCO will offer professional development around topics such as department structure, operational things unique to our work, budget, supervision, and evaluation.

Action Item 2: ILCCO will offer professional development around topics such as institutionalizing quality processes in distance education within the context of a highly structured evaluation process.

2. ILCCO will share strategies to improve the capabilities of faculty and staff at member institutions.

Objective 1: ILCCO will offer forums for member institutions to share best practices.

Action Item 1: ILCCO will arrange information sharing opportunities for members to share how professional development is handled at their institutions.

Action Item 2: ILCCO members will share virtual professional development opportunities through their institution when seating is available to other member colleges.

Action Item 3: ILCCO will arrange information sharing opportunities for members to share how they are fostering OER implementation and collecting OER data.

Action Item 4: ILCCO will arrange information sharing opportunities for members to share how they are tracking accessibility progress and the methods they're using to move towards full digital accessibility.

Action Item 5: ILCCO will review the kind of data colleges are collecting and how best to share that information.

Objective 2: ILCCO will develop shared resources for areas of common need. (OER, accessibility, data, etc.)

Action Item 1: ILCCO will utilize the Steering and subcommittees to evaluate what resources need to be developed.

Action Item 2: ILCCO will form working groups to develop resources.

Action Item 3: ILCCO will make resources available online.

3. ILCCO will improve course sharing capabilities.

Objective 1: ILCCO will make enhancements to the Online Course Exchange (OCE).

Action Item 1: ILCCO will make system improvements to OCE.

Action Item 2: ILCCO will make improvements to course sharing reporting.

Action Item 3: ILCCO will review student success in course sharing.

Action Item 4: ILCCO will provide additional training and supporting documentation on course sharing processes. (Student letters, add/drop processes, etc.)

Objective 2: ILCCO will develop a course sharing policy to address Inclusive Access.

Action Item 1: the ILCCO Applications Committee will review how Inclusive Access is handled at institutions and make recommendations for policy and OCE changes to the Steering Committee.

Objective 3: ILCCO will make enhancements to the Online Assessment System for Internet Students (OASIS).

Action Item 1: ILCCO will redesign OASIS in PHP.

Action Item 2: ILCCO will review the administrative side of OASIS and expand the capabilities if appropriate.