QUALITY MATTERS



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Course Overview Introduction	 Instructions make clear how to get started and where to find various course components. Learners are introduced to the purpose and structure of the course. Minimum technology requirements are clearly stated and instructions for use provided. Minimum technical skills expected of the learner are clearly stated. Prerequisite knowledge in the discipline and/or any required competencies are clearly stated. 	3 3 2 1 1
Learning Objectives (Competencies)	 2.1 C The course learning objectives or competencies describe outcomes that are measurable. 2.2 C The module/unit learning objectives or competencies describe outcomes that are measurable and consistent with the course-level objectives or competencies. 2.3 C All learning objectives or competencies are stated clearly and written from the learner's perspective. 2.4 C The relationship between learning objectives or competencies and course activities is clearly stated. 2.5 C The learning objectives or competencies are suited to the level of the course. 	3 3 3 3 3 3
Assessment and Measurement	 B.1 C The assessments measure the stated learning objectives or competencies. B.2 T The course includes a gradebook that supports a wide range of grade-related functions. B.3 C The assessment instruments selected are sequenced, varied, and suited to the learner work being assessed. B.4 C The course provides learners with multiple opportunities to track their learning progress. B.5 T The publisher provides the ability for the instructor to vary the selection and timing of specific assessments. 	3 3 2 2 1
Instructional Materials	 The instructional materials contribute to the achievement of the stated course and module/unit learning objectives or competencies. Both the purpose of instructional materials and how the materials are to be used for learning activities are clearly explain The instructional materials are current and authoritative. The instructional materials have sufficient breadth and depth for the learner to learn the subject. The publisher provides the ability for the instructor to customize the content. The publisher provides the ability for the instructor to add content to the course or component. All instructional materials used in the course are appropriately cited. The distinction between required and optional materials is clearly explained. 	ned. 3 3 3 3 3 3 2 1
Course Activities and Learner Interaction	 5.1 C The learning activities promote the achievement of the stated learning objectives or competencies. 5.2 C Learning activities included in the course or component provide opportunities for learner-content interaction that facilitate active learning. 5.3 T The course enables learners to manage their own learning process. 5.4 T The course enables learner-instructor and learner-learner interaction. 	3 3 3 3
Course Technology	 5.1 C The tools and media used in the course support the learning objectives or competencies. 5.2 T Course tools promote learner engagement and active learning. 5.3 T The course technologies are current. 5.4 T Technologies required in the course are readily obtainable. 5.5 T Instructions on how to access resources at a distance are sufficient and easy to understand. 5.6 T Links are provided to privacy policies for all external tools required in the course. 	3 3 3 2 2 1
Learner and Instructor Support	 7.1 T The course provides technical support for learners and instructors. 7.2 T The course offers additional assistance to the learner in mastering the course material. 7.3 T The course provides resources to assist the instructor in delivering an effective course. 	3 2 2
Accessibility and Usability*	 Course navigation facilitates ease of use. Information is provided about the accessibility of all technologies required. The course provides alternative means of access to course materials in formats that meet the needs of diverse learners. The course design facilitates readability. Course multimedia facilitate ease of use. 	3 3 2 2 2

* Meeting QM's accessibility Standards does not guarantee or imply that specific country/federal/state/local accessibility regulations are met.

Please consult with an accessibility specialist to ensure that all required accessibility regulations are met.