



# eLearning through Coursera.org and EdX.org

## Purpose

In an effort to provide MCG staff with a wide range of learning opportunities, we have looked for on-line learning programs provided by well-respected institutions, for all levels of learners, in diverse professional capacities, provided free or at a low cost. Two programs recommended to us include [Coursera.org](https://www.coursera.org) and [EdX.org](https://edx.org).

These self-paced courses are provided through top universities in the country, and include topics of interest to staff throughout most departments across the County. Individual courses as well as certificate programs and college credit are available.

## A sampling of topic areas include

Architecture	Ethics
Business and Management	Food & Nutrition
Communication	Health & Safety
Computer Science	Language Learning
Data Analysis & Statistics	Law
Economics & Finance	Personal Development
Environmental Studies	Social Sciences

## Coursera.org

You can explore lectures and non-graded material for free, Prices shown reflect the cost for the complete course experience, including graded assignments and certificates. Financial aid is available for learners who qualify.

## edX.org

Offers most courses free of charge, and will provide you a certificate signed by the instructor for a small fee.

## Additional Information

### Maintain a Record of your Completed Training in OLM

You may maintain a record of completed courses from outside sources in OLM. This record, as with your OLM in-house training record, is available to your Supervisor, and may assist your career development by providing a more comprehensive record of the professional development programs you have completed. Although not required, you may also attach any certificate of completion or other documentation by having a scanned copy available when you are creating the External Learning Record

For more information, see: **User Guide - Entering External Learning into your OLM Learning Record.**

## Questions

If you have questions using this guide, please contact the OLM Administrator at [OLM.Admin@MontgomeryCountyMD.gov](mailto:OLM.Admin@MontgomeryCountyMD.gov) or 240-777-5116.

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