

# Reimagining Quality Assurance in the "New Normal"

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#### About Quality Matters

- Member-Based International Organization
- Supporting quality online learning for nearly 20 years
- Professional Development, Resources, & Tools to Support Quality Assurance Goals
- Focused on Continuous Improvement and Scalable Success
- Collaborative, Collegial Quality Assurance Review Process
- Certification of Quality for Online & Hybrid Courses and Programs

## Leading Quality Assurance Globally







#### **Key Differentiators**

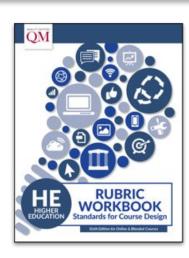
- Research-supported: Course Design Rubrics and Program Criteria that are regularly revised to reflect the latest research and best practices
- Integrated Framework: Rubrics, Reviews/Certification,
   & Professional Development
- The QM Community: provides expertise, knowledge-sharing

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### The QM Higher Ed Rubric

- Eight General Standards for Online Course Design
  - 42 Specific Review Standards organized within these General Standards
- All Specific Review Standards include Annotations; provides additional information and examples
- Holistic: Covers alignment of course components, online interaction & engagement, technology, and much more



# Certify Course Quality Confidently

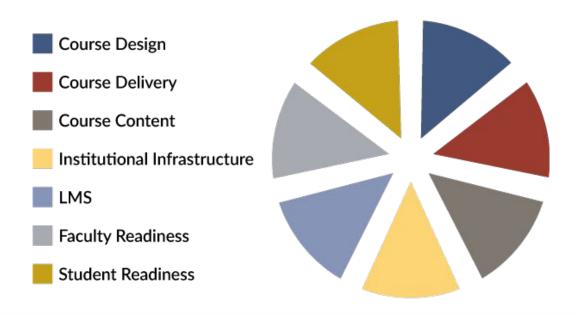
- QM offers a scalable Peer Review process led by credentialed faculty Reviewers and based on feedback and continuous improvement.
- QM Certification has been called "the gold standard" in online course quality.
- Supports Student Success and Institutional Goals

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# Many Factors Affect Online Quality

#### **Online Quality Pie**





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#### Pandemic Lessons Learned

- Preparation and Support is Key... for both faculty and students
- Online quality is purposeful and goal-driven
- Focus on: presence, interaction, engagement, active learning
- Capitalize on online advantages: multi-media content, opportunities for reflection, connecting locally and globally



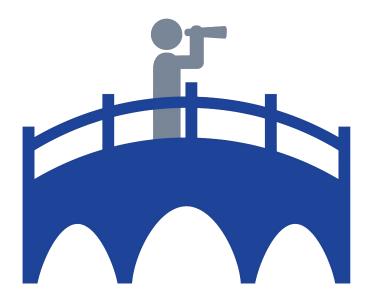
#### QM Bridge to Quality Course Design Guide



- Created to help you move forward from remote instruction to quality online learning
- A free, step-by-step design guide with highlights for alignment, as well as hybrid and synchronous courses
- Reflects culturally inclusive design that welcomes all students

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#### QM Bridge to Quality Course Design Guide



**Begins with Actionable Design Steps** 

Includes
Foundational
Instructional Design
Principles



Provides
Synchronous &
Hybrid special
considerations



Bridges from
Emergency
Remote Teaching
to Quality Online



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