



## Course Approval Request Form

Use this customized approval request form to print and share with your district or state teaching licensure authority when seeking approval for a Professional Development Institute course.

### About PDI

The Professional Development Institute (PDI) has been offering quality online courses to K-12 educators for decades and providing training to teachers across the globe. Every PDI course is approved for graduate-level credit through the prestigious University of California San Diego (UCSD) Extension, ranked in the top ten universities in the United States.

UC San Diego is part of the University of California system and is accredited by the Western Association of Schools and Colleges Senior College and University Commission (WSCUC).

Every PDI course is instructor-led and includes practical strategies for immediate implementation into the classroom, opportunities to interact with the instructor and other participants, rich content, and valuable assignments. Every PDI course is approved as 3 1/3 semester units (or 5 quarter units) of graduate-level credit, equivalent to 50 training hours. Teachers must spend a minimum of three weeks in each course (consecutively, when taking multiple courses) before a final grade is released.

### Teacher Information

<b>Last Name:</b>	<b>First Name:</b>	<b>ID #:</b>
<b>School Name:</b>	<b>Address:</b>	
<b>Email Address:</b>	<b>Grade Level:</b>	<b>Daytime Phone:</b>

Course Number and Title:

**44T02 / 44AXX / EDUC41466 Effective Strategies for Emergent and Early Writers**

I am taking this course:

\_\_\_\_\_ for 3 1/3 semester unit of graduate level credit. Upon completion, I will receive a transcript from UC San Diego Extension.

\_\_\_\_\_ As an in-service course. I may request a PDI Grade Report to document my completion.

*\*This course is approved as 50 training hours, whether taken for graduate credit or in-service.*

Course Description:

Are you looking for effective ways to encourage your young writers? Do you need strategies for teaching students the foundations for writing success? This online course focuses on helping teachers work with emergent and early writers by understanding the developmental stages of writing. Teachers will learn many useful and practical strategies they can use to help young writers with specific strategies for narrative, informative, and persuasive writing as well as basic research reports. Excellent children's literature is used to present many writing strategies. Additional topics presented include the writing process, writer's workshop, and using technology including online apps for student writing. Assessment options for writing are also presented. Finally, effective strategies for helping struggling writers are also shared.

Seeking approval for:

\_\_\_\_\_ recertification/relicensure

\_\_\_\_\_ personal and/or professional growth

\_\_\_\_\_ district or state requirement

Signature

Date