What is COIL?

COIL is Collaborative Online International Learning

COIL is a cost effective way of offering global learning and intercultural experiences to UA students. It links students and faculty across borders for shared teaching and learning experiences using a wide variety of online communication methods. UA colleges and departments are able to achieve goals to deliver global learning and cross-cultural experiences to a large number of students in a broad range of disciplines.

COIL is Intentionally Designed

Faculty in complementary disciplines can work together embedding 4-8 weeks of COIL into their syllabi involving three fundamental components:

**ICEBREAKERS**
Students engage in activities to build trust and learn new perspectives.

**COLLABORATIVE PROJECT**
Tools like WhatsApp and Google Docs make groupwork possible.

**REFLECTION**
Students' experience fosters new knowledge about themselves and the world.

COIL is Powerful Global Learning

**Global Citizenship**
COIL faculty and students share different ways of approaching common disciplinary and interdisciplinary objectives, developing a mindset of positive interdependence.

**Intercultural Competence**
COIL helps faculty and students develop new ways of relating and communicating with peers who do not share their home culture, ethnicity, language or perspective.

**Extended Learning**
COIL's project-based focus increases motivation to pursue other global learning opportunities: travel, study, research, service, and internships abroad.

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