

# Certificate of Teaching Mastery

## Introductory Self-Assessment Activity

### Take a snapshot and show us who you are ...

Thank you for joining hundreds of other educators from around the world who chose to enroll in the Certificate of Teaching Mastery. This first reflection activity in the certificate program provides you with an opportunity to introduce yourself to the CTM community by giving us a snapshot of who you are as a person and as an educator.

We hope that you will take the time to create this snapshot by reflecting on your professional identity and by identifying your Personal Learning Objectives (PLOs) for this certificate program and for your professional development. Your reflections will help our e-mentors get to know you on a more personal level and also as a practitioner engaging in the process of constructing your professional identity. When you post your reflections on your blog, your CTM colleagues already enrolled in the course will be able to read them and respond. Think of it as a way to say hello and introduce yourself. Our e-mentors and our CTM community look forward to learning more about you and to your participation on all the various blogs and in discussion forums. Welcome!

Please take a moment to read the following questions. When you are ready to share your reflections, post them on your blog. Your e-mentor and the CTM community are waiting to get to know you better and to welcome you to the community by responding to your post.

1. WHO AM I? What are some of my most strongly held values, attitudes, and beliefs? What does being a teacher mean to me?
2. WHERE AM I? What is my social, cultural, economic, or political context? What is my classroom/school like? What are some of the challenges and opportunities that emerge out of this context?
3. WHAT'S NEXT? What are my Personal Learning Objectives? What am I striving towards? What do I want to accomplish?

If you would like to see how some of our other CTM Candidates answered these questions, please click the links below:

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## Community Snapshot

Since you joined our CTM community very recently, you're probably interested in learning more about other educators presently enrolled in this program. Below, you will find a snapshot of our community which includes information about some of the current CTM Candidates, links to some blog posts and discussion threads, and a professional development continuum illustrating the rich array of professional experience that CTM candidates bring to this community.

Some of our CTM Candidates:

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Most recent blog posts:

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Most recent discussion threads:

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Our Community's Professional Development Continuum

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Where would you place yourself on this continuum? Do you consider yourself an expert teacher? Do you see yourself as someone who's just beginning his or her professional development? Maybe you see yourself somewhere in the middle? Only you know the answer to this question. Be honest with yourself. Make sure that you can justify your decision.

Novice ----->Expert

Where we're from:

