

## Professional Development with WorldStrides for AHSTF

WorldStrides holds accreditation through multiple regional agencies, including Cognia (formerly AdvancED). This enables our traveling directors to earn professional development certificates in conjunction with travel programs. Educators should check with receiving institutions with regard to acceptance policies.

### Award Calculations

**Formula = 5 points/hours per day (0.5 CEUs per day)**

**Example:**

Trip Dates: April 27 – May 3, 2021 (7 days)

**Points for program leaders/chaperones:**

7 days x 5 points = 35 points/hours (3.5 CEUs)

**Maximum points possible:**

35 points/hours (3.5 CEUs).

### What is it?

All directors traveling on WorldStrides programs, including AHSTF, are eligible to earn professional development points, clock/contact hours, or continuing education units (CEUs) toward licensure renewal in conjunction with their role in the travel program. Terminology varies accordingly by state. Points, clock/contact hours, or CEUs are awarded based on trip length (see reference).

### Who is eligible?

Program leaders and all teacher chaperones are eligible to receive professional development certificates.

### Is it expensive?

No! Professional development certificates are offered to educators at no cost.

### Who requests professional development certificates for program leaders and chaperones?

Upon conclusion of the program, AHSTF will request professional development on your behalf and certificates will be mailed to the address on file. While WorldStrides is an approved provider in all 50 states, some state approval requirements are time sensitive; consult with your administration regarding any special concerns. Please email [professionaldevelopment@worldstrides.com](mailto:professionaldevelopment@worldstrides.com) with any questions.





## Graduate Credit for Educators

### What is it?

WorldStrides offers a 3.0 graduate credit course, “Instruction and Management for Increased Learning,” through our university partnership with the University of California, San Diego.

Each session runs for 12 weeks and is arranged in six, two-week online segments designed to give the flexibility teachers need to be successful and simultaneously manage multiple responsibilities and complex schedules. This course is designed for full-time educators and capitalizes on incorporating current classroom practices into graduate coursework.

### Who is eligible?

Program leaders and teacher chaperones on WorldStrides programs are eligible to enroll.

### What is the cost?

Tuition for the entire 3.0 credit course is offered for \$299.

### How do I register?

Request a registration form and return it via email through [discovery@worldstrides.com](mailto:discovery@worldstrides.com).

### What if I have questions?

Contact WorldStrides Curriculum and Academics via [discovery@worldstrides.com](mailto:discovery@worldstrides.com) for up-to-date scheduling information and to learn more.

The screenshot shows the WorldStrides website interface. At the top is a blue navigation bar with the WorldStrides logo and menu items: COURSES, GROUPS, RESOURCES, and TOOLS. The main content area has a white background. On the left, there is a sidebar with a photo of a diverse group of people celebrating, followed by a 'Course Options' dropdown menu, a 'Materials' dropdown menu, and links for 'Updates' and 'Gradebook'. The main content area displays the course title 'Instruction and Management for Increased Learning - 3CR GRAD: Section 6' with a document icon and the WorldStrides logo. Below the title are 'Add Materials' and 'Options' buttons. A 'All Materials' dropdown menu is visible. The course content is organized into folders: 'Syllabus and Resources' and 'Unit 1 - February 17 to 28'. The 'Unit 1' folder is expanded, showing a description: 'The unit is designed to make connections between members of the course and to identify those issues that are of greatest concern to us as educators. Our collective work in Unit 1 will inform our work throughout the semester.'