



Structure

Basics of Course Planning (2 ECTS)

27/28 August and 3 October 2025

Planning and conducting student- and competence-oriented courses

Competent Teaching Practice in Complex Teaching Settings (2 ECTS)

29/30 January and 13 March 2026

Complex course designs, cooperative learning settings

Elective Module (1 ECTS – 2 days)

Choice of courses in *didactica* or *Lehre KOMPAKT*

Individual study of key topics in Higher Education

Activities in the Teaching Community (1 ECTS)

Teaching-Learning Portfolio (1 ECTS)

Teaching Innovation (2 ECTS)

11/12 June and 21 August 2026

Scholarship of Teaching and Learning

Focus: *Research-Based Learning* or *Digital Competences*

Leading, Counseling, and Supervising in Teaching (2 ECTS)

4/5 February, 9 April and 13 May 2027

Professional counseling and guidance

Peer counseling and expert observation

Teaching Project and Final Colloquium (4 ECTS)

8 June 2027

Planning and conducting a teaching project

Colloquium with project presentation

Higher Education

Certificate of Advanced Studies CAS 2025
Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences of the
University of Zurich

CAS UZH in Higher Education

Academic Teaching and Research-Based Learning

Subject

The *CAS in Higher Education* incorporates all key aspects of current university teaching. Participants learn how to plan and conduct competence-oriented courses and assess their teaching appropriately. Complex teaching settings and possibilities for innovation in teaching are introduced and applied to teaching contexts and practice. The participants reflect on their teaching practice and development in a teaching-learning portfolio. They further professionalize their teaching skills in individual teaching projects. The CAS is characterized by the use of Blended Learning and a variety of teaching-learning formats, including workshops, individual and group teaching/learning settings, peer observation, case work, expert observation, peer counseling, and teaching projects.

Focus

To meet the individual needs of instructors in different teaching contexts and subjects, it is possible to choose a program focus. Participants can choose one of the following:

- Research-Based Learning
- Digital Competences

It is also possible to participate without a focus.

Target audience

Instructors in Higher Education

Objectives

Participants develop and strengthen their skills in planning effective and sustainable courses. They apply research-based findings to their own teaching practice. They expand their horizons in terms of teaching and learning in Higher Education through interdisciplinary exchange. They develop skills

for systematic innovation in discipline-specific teaching. They hone and professionalize their teaching profiles.

Requirements for admission

Participants must hold a Master's degree from an accredited university. During the program they must have a minimum of teaching at a university, a university of applied sciences, or a university of teacher education.

Transfer of credit for Teaching Skills

Credits gained for the University of Zurich's *Teaching Skills* program is transferred in full to the *CAS in Higher Education*. *Teaching Skills* is credited up to five years after its completion.

Final award

Certificate of Advanced Studies UZH in Higher Education (15 ECTS credits).

Governing body

Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences, University of Zurich, represented by Prof. Dr. Kai Niebert

Language

Switches annually between German and English, individual modules are generally in English. Assessments can be submitted in English or German.

Duration/Dates/Times

- Duration: Two years (14 attendance days and two half-days) from 27 August 2025
- Dates: See *Structure*.
- Times: Generally 9:00am to 5:00pm

Location

Center for Continuing Education of the University of Zurich, Schaffhauserstrasse 228, 8057 Zurich (www.zwb.uzh.ch/en)

Costs

- CHF 8,700 for external participants
- CHF 1,000 to CHF 4,350 for members of the University of Zurich and University Hospital Zurich, subject to certain conditions – see website

Number of participants

Maximum of 16 to 20

Application

The deadline for applications is 15 May 2025. Online application form: <http://www.hochschuldidaktik.uzh.ch/>

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Information event

Tuesday, 11 February 2025, 5 to 6pm
Please register in advance via the website.

