

# Developing Technology Excellence in Teachers Requires Lots of Practice

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PRACTICE TYPES IN TEACHER PREPARATION		
Practice Type	Outcome	Technology Example
<p><b>Mechanical Practice:</b> (Gladwell, 2000)</p> <p>Repetition that mimics the “correct way” of doing something in order <b>to effectively perform basic teaching techniques.</b></p>	<p><i>The teacher candidate integrates technology effectively.</i></p>	<p>Through an iterative process guided by a teacher educator, a teacher candidate develops effective use of technology-enabled formative assessments in his or her teaching.</p>
<p><b>Goal-Oriented Practice</b> (Ericsson, 2016)</p> <p>Setting goals and adjusting execution to get closer and closer to optimal performance in order <b>to attain overall minimal proficiency in integrating technology.</b></p>	<p><i>The teacher candidate is consistent with effectively integrating technology.</i></p>	<p>With the goal of improving project-based learning techniques, a teacher candidate attempts practices throughout the semester such as developing technology-enabled formative assessments that are found to be noteworthy by some teachers in their personalized learning network.</p>
<p><b>Competency-Oriented Practice with Feedback</b> (Goleman, 2013)</p> <p>Improving an aspect of teaching that has been identified by a mentor, supervisor or coach who also provides concentrated feedback in order <b>to hone specific teaching competencies.</b></p>	<p><i>The teacher candidate is consistent with effectively integrating technology in targeted, value-added ways.</i></p>	<p>Over a period of time, a teacher candidate researches and experiments with using a variety of technologically enabled, formative assessments across a variety of teaching scenarios to become more competent with using assessment data to “monitor and adjust” their teaching.</p>
<p><b>Vision-Oriented Practice</b> (Duckworth et al., 2007)</p> <p>Working toward a vision or an end state driven by grit, perseverance and passion to achieve long-term goals in order <b>to become self-efficacious in teaching techniques.</b></p>	<p><i>As a function of professional practice, the teacher candidate continually refines integrating technology in targeted, value-added ways.</i></p>	<p>After a comprehensive review of several teaching observations conducted by the mentor teacher and field supervisor, a teacher candidate establishes several goals with action steps for improving how technology impacts his or her teaching including formative assessments, parent communication and working with peers.</p>
<p><b>Asset-Based Practice</b> (Reisdorf &amp; Rhinesmith, 2018)</p> <p>Critiquing current strategies and taking creative license to build a combination of human, social and physical capital in order <b>to leverage technology as a means for personal and collective empowerment.</b></p>	<p><i>Given the availability (potential ubiquity) of technology, the teacher candidate creates new and innovative approaches to effectively integrating technology in targeted, value-added ways that are responsive to the context and culture.</i></p>	<p>Through a survey of the field experience school that includes available technology at school and home, a teacher candidate creates a technology plan to support seamless communication and empower collaboration during a group project (regardless of group members locale or the time of day), then facilitates a data-driven and reflection exercise with students to improve his or her plan.</p>

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