



5 REASONS TO USE ONLINE EDUCATION



At 3rd Millennium Classrooms, our courses are developed using evidence-based strategies to provide the highest quality content possible. Rather than just targeting knowledge and attitude, we want to empower the people who take our courses — whether it be a student, a court client, or the average citizen — to make their own choices for success. How do we do that?

Research shows that online education is just as, if not more, effective than traditional prevention and intervention courses. So, we've made all our courses completely online. Why choose an online education over in-person training? Let's look at some of the advantages.

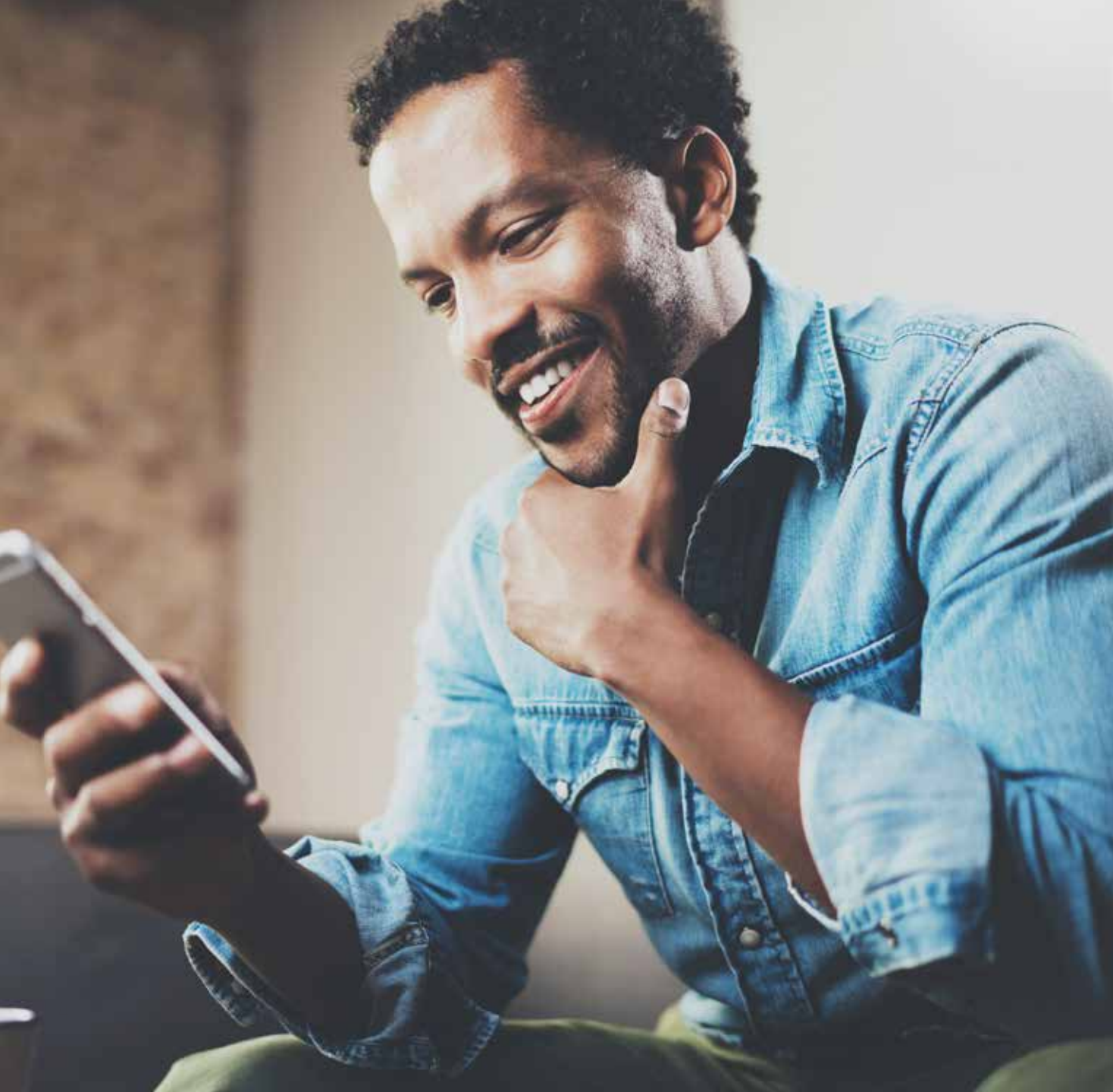
#1. ONLINE EDUCATION IS CONSISTENT AND SCALABLE

Online education delivers content the same way, every time. Our courses remove the obstacle of trainer ability, skill or qualification (which can negatively or positively affect the effectiveness of a program).

For high school and college staff, this means our courses can be administered to a small group or a large group, without reducing the quality of the material given or impacting the participant experience. The handful of students on your campus taking a course will have the same experience as the students at a larger campus who take the same course.

For probation officers and judges, this means that every client will be provided with the same high-quality education that reduces the likelihood of recidivism every time.





#2. THE SOCIAL PRESSURES OF A CLASSROOM OR PEER GROUP ARE REDUCED

Because our courses are taken individually and are completely confidential, there are no social pressures for participants to answer the “correct way” or give answers to fit a desired image. Also, because online courses aren’t as direct, participants tend to evaluate materials internally, rather than trying to make themselves appear better, tougher or less concerned about the consequences of their behavior as they would in a group session. This increases the likelihood of a positive response to the material presented.

#3. ONLINE EDUCATION IS AVAILABLE 24/7 AND IS EASILY ACCESSIBLE

Having courses online is easier for both participants and those administering the course. Participants can access 3rd Mil's courses at any time of day on any device - including smart phones - as long as they have a device connected to the internet. This means they don't have to worry about commuting to class if they have an expired license or lining a class time up with an already full schedule.

Our courses are also hassle-free for administration and probation officers. There is no need to worry about hiring someone to administer the course or coordinating a time for participants to take a course. Their only job is to coordinate with us, and 3rd Mil handles the rest. This will mean reduced costs and reduced stress for everyone.





#4 ONLINE EDUCATION CAN MOVE AT THE PARTICIPANTS' PACE

Face-to-face interactions are governed by schedules, so they have to move at a predetermined pace. An online course cuts out that obstacle, allowing participants to go as fast or slow as they wish. Participants can move more quickly through sections they understand well or take more time on sections they are confused on. This allows for more genuine and thorough introspection. Additionally, some of our prevention courses allow for participants to bypass sections they have tested well in or subject areas that might be a trigger for them.

#5 ONLINE COURSES CAN PROVIDE INDIVIDUAL, PERSONALIZED FEEDBACK

Evidence shows that one of the most effective strategies for true behavior change and reduced recidivism is personalized feedback.

At 3rd Mil, we use eCHECKUP TO GO to incorporate personalized feedback in our courses. eCHECKUP TO GO is used to provide feedback throughout the course as well as a confidential, personal summary that can be printed and reviewed upon completion of the course.

These summaries are ideal for personal reflection or for participants meeting up with their advisors or probation officers to help establish a plan of action for change.





Through years of research and collaboration with subject-matter experts, 3rd Millennium Classrooms has strived to develop the best online learning community possible for our customers. By incorporating all of the ideas and strategies mentioned in this guide, we have created a simple, effective, and low-cost alternative to in-person training for high schools, colleges, and courts to enact positive behavior change in their students and clients. To get started with online options that fit your needs, contact us at (888) 810-7990 or go to www.3rdmil.com!

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