

Enriching Learning Environments Through Technology

Friday, March 6, 2009

Morning Session Details

<p>7:45 – 8:15 a.m. Continental Breakfast 8:15 – 9:30 a.m. Welcome & Plenary Session – Seigle Auditorium Mr. Barry Dahl: “Teaching with Technology: Myths and Realities”</p>			
<p>Morning Breakout Sessions: 9:45 A.M. – 10:30 A.M.</p>			
<p><i>Community Colleges in Virtual Worlds</i> Presenter: Denise Cote College of DuPage</p> <p>In this presentation participants will learn what Second Life is, how it is accessed by students and faculty, how much it costs to implement and how community colleges are using it with students</p>	<p><i>Use PowerPoint to Create Interactive Multimedia</i> Presenter: Matthew Ensenberger Harper College</p> <p>This presentation will show participants what can be done with ordinary PowerPoint files that they have created for lectures in the face-to-face classroom. Using a second piece of software called Articulate, these boring run-of-the-mill PowerPoints can be transformed into interactive multimedia events used for review or in place of lectures in an online/blended course.</p>	<p><i>Are You Ready to Attend I-tunes U</i> Presenters: Linda Hefferin-Elgin Community College Catherine Stukel-Morton Community College</p> <p>Learn what iTunes University is and how students can learn using iPods. In this session you will learn how to subscribe to an iTunes series, listen to and view a series, and create an iTunes account. A variety of iTunes resources will be made available to session attendees.</p>	<p><i>CETL Presents: Beyond Technology in the Classroom</i> Presenter: Teri Stein Elgin Community College</p> <p>Join CETL (Center for Enhancement of Teaching and Learning) as we explore methods to integrate technology and pedagogy utilizing the emerging perspectives of Fink and Bloom taxonomies. This session will also introduce the impacts of gender, age and culture in relationship to the use of technology in the classroom.</p>
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<p>Morning Breakout Sessions: 10:45 A.M. – 11:30 A.M.</p>			
<p><i>Effective Online Groups</i> Presenters: Jaami Dawan; Martha Madkins Kennedy-King College</p> <p>This presentation describes the experiences the presenters had with two sections of an online social science course offered at a community college. Students in this course thought it was impossible to conduct group work online. As a result of the training offered by the presenters, students learned to work in online groups.</p>	<p><i>An Overview of Web 2.0 in Higher Education</i> Presenter: Kevin Crow Harper College</p> <p>Web 2.0 is one of the latest buzzwords in academic computing that possibly represents a paradigm shift in the way that post secondary learners locate, process, and distribute information. This presentation will familiarize you with Web 2.0; explain how Web2.0 tools differ from Web 1.0 tools; discover Web 2.0 tools that are being used on today’s college campuses; and learn where to locate, and how to start using Web 2.0 tools.</p>	<p><i>e-Learning Myth Busters: Is Conventional Wisdom Wrong?</i> Presenter: Barry Dahl Lake Superior College</p> <p>We’ve been traveling down the road to e-learning for more than a decade. We can now look back and see whether some of our previous hopes and fears have come to fruition. We can also examine some of the newer thoughts about e-learning in an effort to determine just how much truth there is to some of the rhetoric. This presentation will examine many of the myths and realities surrounding e-learning, i.e. do online faculty really work harder, etc.</p>	
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Afternoon Session Details

11:30 – 1:00 P.M.

Lunch – UBC Dining Room

Ms. Xeturah Woodley: “Now Is When They Need Us Most!”

Retention of Online Students in Tumultuous Times”

Afternoon Breakout Sessions: 1:15 P.M. – 2:00 P.M.

What the Heck is Site Pal?

Presenter:

Linda Hefferin

Elgin Community College

Have you heard of SitePal? SitePal is an Internet service that allows users to create and customize speaking avatars. Once you record your personalized message, you're ready to add your avatar to your online learning web site. Come see what it's like to have your own personal virtual teaching assistant.

Room # UBC 127-A

Enhancing the Learning Process with Internet in the Classroom

Presenter:

Leticia Starkov

Elgin Community College

The use of the Internet in the classroom opens a wide range of opportunities to enhance students' learning. This presentation describes three different elements of the learning process in which the Internet can be employed to maximize students' success: (1) increase students' engagement with the subject matter; (2) process of real-world data collection; (3) assessment and feedback processes that generate valuable information to the student and the instructor.

Room # UBC 103

Technology + Soft Skills = 100% Student Engagement

Presenters:

Beverly Augustine

Michael Segreto

Elgin Community College

Combine technology and soft skills to fully engage student learning and reviewing of course material. Presenters highlight the application of gaming in the classroom and demonstrate a PowerPoint creation, utilizing custom colors and sound effects they use to excite student learning.

Room # UBC 119

Online Grading Made a Little Simpler

Shawn Mikulay

Elgin Community College

In this presentation participants will learn how to standardize assignment submission and grades using Adobe Acrobat to increase feedback, richness and security.

Room # UBC 123

Afternoon Breakout Sessions: 2:15 P.M. – 3:00 P.M.

Wicked Wikis

Presenter:

Diana Booth

Elgin Community College

These days, more and more schools and businesses adopt wikis, which are among the latest technological innovations. By demonstrating how wikis have been used in several ESL classes, the presenter will illustrate the value, advantages and limitations of wikis. Everyone will have a chance to create his or her own wiki before leaving the workshop

Room # UBC 127A

Enriching Learning Environment s -Global Classrooms

Presenters:

Larry Rubly; Lisa Zingaro

Oakton College

Oakton has been focusing on creating a “global classroom” for the last few years. Through personal networking, we are fortunate to have made connections with academics, business professionals and government officials around the world who would like to be part of Oakton's program. We have begun to put the pieces in place to allow these individuals to access our students, either as instructors, teaching assistants or guests.

Room # UBC 127-B

This is What It's Like on the Frontline: Preparing Faculty to Teach Online

Presenter:

Xeturah Woodley

Central New Mexico

Community College

In this session strategies will be shared to develop a training course that prepares faculty to teach online. This course was developed using retention strategies to increase faculty persistence and completion rates in the course, while preparing them to better meet student needs and college strategic directions.

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