Transforming Teaching for Learning Unit - Starts 20 January 2017

Transform your teaching. Improve your learners’ experiences. Future proof your teaching practice.

You are invited to enrol in the Transforming Teaching for Learning (TTL) unit. Free for UWA academic staff, this fully digital unit will provide you with fresh inspiration, development and reflection on your learning and teaching approaches.

Hear what some of our participants have to say about the unit:

“With the ever increasing emphasis on digital learning this was a great opportunity and challenge to extend some of my design skills..... This has been a great experience. Thanks again to the TTL team.”

“Because the unit is offered multiple times during the year, it can accommodate smaller groups of students. The flexibility it affords is awesome.”

“I think the way the unit has been constructed is a perfect example of how to integrate online learning into our teaching....”

Two modules commence in January 2017:

- If you have not yet participated in TTL, register for Module 1 (D series) which starts 20 January 2017
If you have already completed TTL Module 1, register for Module 2 (C series) which starts 20 January 2017

The TTL unit and the three further units of the Graduate Certificate in Tertiary Teaching are fee-exempt for current UWA staff. We look forward to working with you in this unit.

Register your interest to enrol in TTL

Semester 1 is Approaching: Prepare Your Video Content Now

The Centre for Education Futures Media Room provides UWA staff with access to equipment in a dedicated space to produce their own videos for learning.

Here are just a few ideas of what you can do:

- Create a short introductory welcome for students to your unit.
- Flip your classroom, converting the materials you would deliver in a lecture into a series of short, engaging presentations.
- Film an interview with a colleague or industry specialist.

The set-up is user-friendly for educators who are new to video production. The Media Room makes it easy to record effective educational learning experiences.

We have recently installed new equipment including a faster computer, a higher quality webcam and new desk mounted lighting.

The Media Room is located in Hackett Hall near the entrance to the Graduate Research and Scholarships Office.

UWA staff can book the Media Room for 2 hour blocks between 9am and 4pm, Monday to Friday.

As the start of semester 1 approaches, bookings are filling up fast so don’t miss out!

Book online here

Getting Your LMS Unit Organised for Semester 1

The LMS structure has been matched to the new Faculty and School hierarchy. This means that your unit may appear under different areas affecting access of Faculty Administrators to add Unit Coordinators and import materials.

As we work through the new and changed roles in the system, the CEF Help-eLearning Team will be able to assist you with the following activities:
- Add Unit Coordinator(s) to a LMS unit
- Roll over content from a previous unit

Please email the [CEF Help-eLearning Team](mailto:CEF Help-eLearning Team) with your Staff Number and Unit ID. If you need materials copied from a previous unit, provide the Unit ID and teaching period.

**NOTE:** LMS units will be made available to students automatically for Semester 1 2017 on **Monday, 20 February** (*one week prior to the start of classes as per University policy*).

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### Disaster Recovery Scenario Drill for the LMS

The CEF eLearning Team will be running a scenario with the “Destruction of Sydney” on **Friday, 20 January 2017** between **7pm and 9pm (AWST)**.

The LMS is constantly mirrored so in the event of the destruction of our servers (which live in Sydney) we can have the LMS back up and running within 12 hours.

To test this we run simulated outages and switch to the mirror system so the LMS will be unavailable for 2 hours on Friday night.

UWA students and staff have been informed through the LMS.

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### LMS and LCS Upgrades

The CEF eLearning Team have been busy over the break upgrading the LMS and LCS but still have a couple of large upgrades to go.

On **Tuesday, 14 February 2017** the LMS maybe unavailable for up to 9 hours overnight (starting at 7pm) as we complete the last upgrades prior to the start of Semester. Notifications to all staff and students will be through the LMS.

The LCS Upgrade will be no more than a 15 minute outage outside of normal teaching hours. The date will be confirmed shortly and notification to staff and students will be through the LMS.

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