

Ohio Digital Commons for Education 2007 CONFERENCE

The Convergence of Libraries, Learning & Technology

pre-conference workshops

Sunday, March 4, 1:00 – 5:00 p.m.

Lilac

Laptops in the Classroom: Next Generation Learning Environments

David Wright, Dir. Curriculum Innovation and E-Learning / University of Dayton, Ryan C. Harris
Learning Teaching Center

Although some faculty worry at the prospect of teaching students equipped with laptops, there are substantial benefits for considering laptop-enhanced classrooms. Instruction using laptops can model professional applications of technology, while creating ways for students to remain engaged and connected to diverse learning resources. This impacts the design of learning spaces and challenges us to think of ways to integrate technology with the curriculum. This session provides an overview of the University of Dayton notebook computer initiative and includes hands-on demonstrations of active learning strategies using laptops. Attendees should bring a wireless (802.11b or g) laptop or tablet PC.

Magnolia

Breaking the Barriers of Distance Learning for Healthcare Programs

Anne M. Loochtan, Assistant Dean, Health and Public Safety / Cincinnati State Technical and Community College

This session, intended for the beginning to intermediate distance instructor, will provide participants with an introduction to distance learning, specifically targeted to teaching health-related and science courses in the college environment. The session will review definitions of distance learning, strategies for health-care programs, assessment, storyboarding and adult learning theory applied to distance learning. Participants will prepare a plan for migrating their own courses to a distance learning format. Participants will receive a list of resources and materials to assist with course development and are encouraged to bring with them a course or program curricula that they wish to convert to a distance format or distance courses that are already in a distance format, but need tweaking. Participants are required to bring a laptop to the session.

Juniper A

Options in Electronic Bibliographic Management

John Fink, Electronic Information Services Librarian / Miami University

RefWorks is a known quantity in bibliographic software, but recent developments, particularly with a Firefox extension called Zotero and an online manager called CiteULike provide new options for bibliographic management. This session will talk about the current state and advantages and disadvantages of RefWorks, of Zotero, of CiteULike, and of other electronic systems.

Juniper C

Are Students Too Old to Hear a Story?

Jeremy Kurtz, Assistant Professor - Interactive Media Technology / Stark State College of Technology

The focus of this workshop is to demonstrate, teach and prepare teachers for online delivered audio content. Given that colleges use distance learning as a method of growth at their respective institutions, there lies a need to address other manners of learning. One of the most effective methods is engaging audio. Participants will learn to “trip the trigger” of the online learner by incorporating “Streamed Storytelling” into their course content. They will immediately be able to see a need for this technology, as it will be imparted in a practical fashion.