Learning Technologies @ Union

Learning technologies encompasses information and instructional technology as well as tools, applications, and systems that support learning. Some of the technologies available to faculty at Union include:

- Video
- Nexus
- Podcasting
- GIS
- Blogging
- Clickers
- Lecture Capture
- iTunesU

Nexus – Union’s New LMS

Replacing Blackboard, Nexus is Union’s branded version of Moodle (an open source Learning Management System).

The transition to Nexus began in June 2011 and will be completed in September 2012 (15 months).

Nexus provides flexibility, ease of use, user customization, increased functionality, easier access, integration with other systems on campus.

Interested in learning more? Contact Kesheng Yu or Kevin Barhydt

Clickers

Audience Response Systems, also known as “Clickers” are used to quickly get feedback from students.

Provides the ability to gauge understanding when teaching difficult topics. Allows anonymous responses to emotional or personal questions.

Interested in trying it out? Contact Kevin Barhydt

Video and Audio

Video and audio can add interest to a lecture. Having students collaborate on a project to develop a video about a topic can help the learning process.

YouTube, digital storytelling, TedTalks, podcasting, and VoiceThread are all examples of audio or video being used in the classroom at Union.

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