Draft Conference Programme



e-Learning: A Reality Check

- Do We Practice What We Preach? -

The Ninth Annual Durham **Blackboard Users' Conference**

8th & 9th January 2009

The Calman Learning Centre Science Site, Durham University

















DAY ONE: THURSDAY, 8th JANUARY 2009

9:00 am



Registration, early morning coffee and exhibits

Presenters - this is a good time to upload your slides and check equipment

10:15 am



Housekeeping

10:30 am



Formal Welcome
Prof A Forster:
Durham Pro Vice Chancellor of Learning & Teaching

11:00 am



Keynote: Andy Ramsden *University of Bath*

12:00 noon

Strands - Session A

Applying Laurillard's Conversational Framework to Blended Learning R Papworth, R Walker & W Britcliffe, *University of York*

Helping Student's Learn: The Use of Timely Release of Video Podcast

Episodes at Critical Moments in a Course Life Cycle

A Cree, Teesside Business School

Using Blackboard Tests for Critical Thinking Skills and Confidence:

Technology-Enhanced Seminar Discussion

Eleanor OKell, Durham University

12:45 pm

Lunch & Exhibits

1:45 pm

Strands - Session B

CSI: Teesside "Scene I.T."

D Tinney & T James, Teesside University

Getting Users on to Complex Module Structures the Easy Way

S Stevenson-Revill, University of Derby

Wikis as ePortfolios? The Importance of Using the Right Technologies to

Increase Collaboration

N Harden & L Fradley, Peninsular College of Medicine & Dentistry



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2:30 pm	Strands - Session C			
	Facilitating Student Transition to the University of York W Britcliffe, R Walker & R Papworth, <i>University of York</i>			
	Snapshot Implementation Roadmap: Bringing Order to our Chaotic World? G Clay, Staffordshire University			
	E-Portfolios: Models & Implementation ~ Idealistic Why vs Pragmatic Hows T Neumann & W Clark, <i>University of London</i>			
3.15 pm	Coffee & Exhibits			
3:45 pm	Strands - Session D			
	Implementing an Online University-Wide Solution to Plagiarism Awareness R Walker, W Britcliffe & R Papworth, <i>University of York</i>			
	Lecture & Event Capture at Newcastle University A Wright & C Summerside, Newcastle University			
	'Lumping & Splitting': Introducing Blackboard and Encouraging Engagement J Beckton, <i>University of Lincoln</i>			
4:30 pm	Strands - Session E			
	Time For a Reality Check? How Many Courses do you Really Have that Make A Difference to Learning? K Boardman, <i>Teesside University</i>			
	Evaluating Spatial Understanding S Nicol, S Vickers, J Oosthoek & J Lowrey, Edinburgh University			
	The Promise & Practicalities of E-Portfolios: Getting Blackboard To Deliver G Pursey & N Langton, <i>University of Reading</i>			
HOSPITALITY	EVENING			
7:30 pm	Drinks Reception Tunstall Gallery, University College (Durham Castle)			
8:15 pm	Conference Dinner The Great Hall, University College (Durham Castle)			
10:30 pm	Undercroft Bar (Durham Castle) – Open till 1 am			

DAY TWO: FRIDAY, 9th JANUARY 2009

9:00 am		Welcome Back		
9:15 am	Bb Blackboard	Blackboard Roadmap		
10:45 am	3	Coffee & Exhibits		
11:15 am	Strands - Session F			
	Mobile Technologies in HE – The Possible Vs The Practical K Reader, <i>University of Bristol</i> , S Paluch, <i>College of Law</i> & Z Mensah, <i>TASI</i>			
	The Promised Land: Are Virtual Worlds the Next Step in VLE's? A Addison & W T O'Hare – Teesside University Workshop on Live Synchronous Interaction using the Wimba Interface P Lowe, London College of Communication			
12:00 noon	Strands - Session G			
	Why Don't We Do It On the Road? : E-Portfolios & Work-Based Learning R Holland, South Tyneside College & M Stapleton, City of Sunderland College			
	Hearing Voices in the VLE A Middleton & S Diamond, Sheffield Hallam University			
	Reflective Learning Logs in the VLE: Windows to the Learners' Minds N Cargill-Kipar, <i>Heriot-Watt University</i>			
12:45 pm	-	Lunch & Exhibits		
2:00 pm	50	Keynote: Paul Lowe London College of Communication		
3:00 pm	,	Coffee & Exhibits		
3.30 pm		Conference Evaluation / What's Next?		
4:00 pm		Conference Closes		