Canvas: A Peer Institution Presentation on Lessons Learned

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Room 50 Milton Hall
Lunch provided

Want to be more effective in your use of Canvas, the new NMSU learning management system (LMS)? Come learn about what works with Canvas from Kevin Reeve, an experienced instructor of online and hybrid courses and an LMS support expert from Utah State University, a peer institution that migrated from Blackboard to Canvas a year ahead of NMSU.

Designing My Course the “Canvas Way”: Is it really different?
8:30–11:30 a.m.

Canvas is designed differently than older generation LMSs, providing a modern approach to teaching through web based technologies. This session will introduce approaches to using Canvas that can make it easier to build a course, easier to maintain the course, and easier for students to navigate in the course. There will be ample opportunity for discussion.

Accessibility, Media, and Content in Online Courses
1-4:30pm

This session will cover best practices and tools to create course content for your online courses that is accessible to all your students. Documents, video, audio, and graphics will be covered, with an opportunity for discussion.

Kevin Reeve is a nationally recognized expert on LMS support, and has been enhancing his own teaching through the appropriate application of technology for many years. He is currently the communications lead for IT at Utah State University. Kevin previously served as the department head and senior instructional designer at the Faculty Assistance Center for Teaching (FACT). From 1988–1995 Kevin worked for KSAR video productions at the Center for Persons with Disabilities at Utah State University where he assisted clients with producing high quality video. In 1997 he started exploring software options for offering online courses at the University and was a lead on the team that brought WebCT to Utah State, lead in the launch of the national Dr. CT service, and continued heading up LMS support at USU and assisting the faculty to build courses. He graduated in 1999 with a Masters in Instructional Technology, and his undergraduate work (1990) was in computer science. Kevin is a sought after consultant and travels to a variety of universities to improve eLearning strategies and practice.

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