



Selected Web Sites

Academic Libraries and Course Management Software: A Resource Page for Librarians, Instructional Technologists, System Administrators and Faculty

<http://staff.philau.edu/bells/cmsresourcepage.htm>

This site is a great source for information on Courseware systems, e-learning best practices for librarians, and relevant articles.

The Blended Librarian

<http://blendedlibrarian.org>

Blended Librarianship is a relatively new idea having first emerged as a concept developed by Steven Bell and John Shank in January 2004. In April 2004 Bell and Shank delivered a three-session workshop on Blended Librarianship that was sponsored by the TLT Group and ACRL. With support from the LearningTimes Network, the Blended Librarian Online Learning Community also became available in April 2004. If you would like to participate as a member, you need to submit a registration form to the LearningTimes Network. To do this, point your browser to <http://home.learningtimes.net/library>

The Learning Times Network

<http://www.learningtimes.org/>

LearningTimes is a privately held organization that is actively engaged in designing and building learning programs, communities and events, as well as the platforms, environments, applications and marketing strategies that make them successful. LearningTimes offers a range of services and products to serve organizations with a learning-related mission, including schools, colleges, universities, museums, libraries, associations, publishers and global organizations.

The Low Threshold Application (LTA) Web Site

<http://www.tltgroup.org/LTAs/Home.htm>

This site is a great introduction to the concept of low threshold applications and their benefits. Be sure to check out the "LTA of the Week" collection for great ideas.

Martin Ryder's Instructional Design Models

<http://carbon.cudenver.edu/~mryder/ito/idmodels.html>

This site provides extensive information on learning and design models, including information on "The Basics."

Research and Theories about Prospective Library Users in the Information Age,

University of Nevada, Reno Libraries

<http://www2.library.unr.edu/donnie/users.html>

This is a scholarly site with links to articles on learning styles, user expectations, the future of libraries, and more.

RGL: RedLightGreen

http://www.rlg.org/en/page.php?Page_ID=435

This innovative group, mentioned in Steven's Infodiet article, is involved in a number of projects, including taking a "massive database of bibliographic descriptions and redesign it for the Web, not just as a resource for librarians, but as a tool for students and the public at large." Be sure to check out their "Information for Librarians" link on this page.



The Seven Principles of Good Practice: Using Technology to Improve Learning Outcomes

<http://www.tltgroup.org/Seven/Home.htm>

This is Arthur Chickering and Zelda Gamson's classic article on creating a quality educational environment.

Steven Bell's Keeping Up

<http://staff.philau.edu/bells/keepup/>

The Keeping Up Web Site is designed to help library and information science professionals, information technologists, instructional technologists, and other academic technology support professionals develop and maintain a program of self-guided professional development. A central, guiding premise of this web site is that academic librarians and technology professionals must go beyond the constraints of their own literature to really keep up and maintain their myriad skills and diversified knowledge base.

The Teaching, Learning, Technology (TLT) Group

<http://www.tltgroup.org>

The non-profit TLT Group has helped over 500 educational institutions, associations, and corporations around the world to improve teaching and learning by making more appropriate and cost-effective use of information technology without sacrificing what matters most. Led by Steve Gilbert and Steve Ehrmann, and featuring assessment tools from the award-winning Flashlight Program, The TLT Group can help accelerate educational improvement while easing the stresses of institutional change.

University of Calgary Library: Information Literacy - Definition and Competencies

<http://www.ucalgary.ca/library/ILG/workdef.html>

This Web page presents a concise overview of information literacy.