

Instructional Design Team

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Proposal

This presentation will discuss and invite discussion on the topic of instructional design team services, processes and practices by looking at the tools, procedures, and documentation developed by the instructional design team at the University of Illinois' office of Online & Continuing Education. This design team has undergone rapid growth and change over the last few years in response to an increased overall demand for instructional design services, as well as a wider variety of such services. As departments or colleges now select from a broader spectrum of instructional design services, determining an appropriate level of consistent procedures and practices for interacting with faculty is essential. The presentation will discuss the tools, procedures, and documents the design team has adopted or developed to keep things running on an even keel. Rounding out the discussion, participants will be invited to consider and discuss the kinds of challenges that can emerge in working with a wide variety of faculty from different departments and with different needs. As a focal point for this portion of the discussion, the presentation will consider some of the major challenges that led the design team at the University of Illinois to write a process document aimed specifically at helping faculty better understand their role in the course development process.