Training Faculty for Multiple Online Course Types

Abstract: Saint Leo University trains faculty to teach a variety of online course types, utilizing WebCT. The variations include completely online, Hybrid (50/50), Web Enhanced (100% F2F with supplemental online), Video Teleconferencing (multiple sites, with and without online support).

To train faculty in the delivery of any of these programs, a single online Instructor Training Course has been developed. Since the course is completely online, the prospective faculty are immersed in the actual platform they will be utilizing. The variations are all introduced, but the basic skills training for any faculty utilizing any one of the online delivery types remains constant, and uniform for all. This allows faculty to change delivery types at a later date, without retraining. Of particular interest is the fact that the Training Course, registration, enrollment, and monitoring, can be staffed by a single Instructional Analyst.

This presentation is a Poster Session describing how the training is arranged and coordinated, along with the WebCT tools available. The Poster session can be supplemented with a laptop demonstration of the actual live training course.