THE ONLINE FACILITATION INSTRUMENT

A HELPING HAND FOR THE NEW-TO-ONLINE FACULTY MEMBER

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PARTICIPANTS WILL BE ABLE TO:

1. Explain why strong online course facilitation is imperative

2. Locate guidelines for useful types and timings of facilitation

3. Brainstorm a plan for utilizing/providing the online facilitation instrument
LET'S THINK ABOUT OUR:

1. Online Learning Experience
2. Online Teaching Experience
3. Experience Working with Online Students
4. Experience Working with Online Faculty Members

What experiences do you have? Please enter your experience (in a short phrase) in the chat area.
SEVEN PRINCIPLES
FOR GOOD PRACTICE
IN UNDERGRADUATE EDUCATION

Arthur Chickering and Zelda Gamson
1987

THE SEVEN PRINCIPLES

1. Encourage contact between students and faculty
2. Develop reciprocity and cooperation among students
3. Use active learning techniques
4. Give prompt feedback
5. Emphasize time on task
6. Communicate high expectations
7. Respect diverse talents and ways of learning
WHERE COULD THESE PRINCIPLES BE INCORPORATED?

- In Online Course Design?
- In Online Course Facilitation?
- In Both?

Let's post a few ideas in the chat area.
HOW WE KNOW FACILITATION IS IMPORTANT

PERSONAL KNOWLEDGE AND EXPERIENCE
From the lens of being a student
From the lens of being a teacher/faculty member

REGULATORY OVERSIGHT
The Dept. of Ed. - regulations for "regular and substantive interaction" (for federal financial aid)
Ohio State University - Office of Distance Ed.:
1. Initiated by instructor
2. Regular and frequent
3. Meaningful/of an academic nature
4. Initiated by academic personnel

RESEARCH
Campus Technology - "Online Learning a Top Challenge for Community College Students"
Seminal research- (see tool's references)
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THE "OFI"

Professional development tool endorsed by Harper

- Provided in "Teaching Online Successfully - Facilitate" course (GEC)
- Provided to all division deans
- Provided to new-to-online course facilitators

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Suggested List of Facilitation Tasks

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--Managerial--  --Social--  --Pedagogical--  --Technical--
PLACES TO IMPLEMENT

Managerial
- Properties
- Modules/Units
- Announcements
- Retention Center

Social
- Announcements
- Discussion Boards
- Faculty Info

Pedagogical
- Announcements
- Discussion Boards
- Wikis and Blogs
- Grading Rubrics/Grade Center
- Feedback

Technical
- Syllabus
- Announcements
- Grade Center
- Student Support Links
CAN YOU UTILIZE THIS TOOL?

Where?
When?
How?

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THANK YOU FOR EXPLORING THE ONLINE FACILITATION INSTRUMENT WITH ME TODAY!

Still have questions? Contact me any time!

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