Over the summer, the CTL web site had to move to temporary quarters due to server maintenance. We're now back at our usual address:

http://homepages.neiu.edu/~ctl/

If you bookmarked our temporary site, be sure to visit and bookmark our regular web address!

The CTL’s professional-development curriculum is getting better and better. The Online Design course, in which you design and create the materials for a fully-online course, is now 6 weeks long and is 100% face-to-face, so participants get the benefit of hands-on design activities.

Starting with the Fall 2015 semester, for participants selected to take the Online Design course,

- The Online Design course will be written into participants’ base course load.
- One of participants’ base-load courses will be covered by an adjunct instructor.

Now that the Online Design course will be offered every Fall and Spring semester, the number of participants per semester is limited to seven. This makes for a more supportive course and allows for deeper design, development, and quality assurance in the creation of online courses.

Participation in the Online Design course is by nomination only (talk to your department chairperson), and preference is given to participants who are creating courses for declared fully-online programs, courses that have a WIP component, and for the General-Education curriculum.

Our first semester-based Online Design course will be offered Tuesdays and Thursdays, September 8 – October 22, 2015. Participants will spend 2 hours together and 1 hour developing their materials outside of the course each week.

Think about the gen-ed courses you teach. Do many students drop out because of time or schedule crunches? By offering an online version of your gen-ed course, you’ll help students to “find new time” for study, since you’re substracting their commute time for at least one course.

Talk to your department chairperson about your interest in developing an online course, and see the Faculty Development section on the next page of this Bulletin for more information about the entire CTL professional-development curriculum.
CTL Fall 2015 Faculty Development

D2L General Training

- **Desire2Learn Skills Training:** The CTL “basic skills training” is now chopped up into 30-minute on-demand sessions that teach you how to use 6 common tools in D2L: Navigation, Content, Grades, Discussions, Dropbox, and Quizzes. See [http://homepages.neiu.edu/~ctl/D2L.html](http://homepages.neiu.edu/~ctl/D2L.html).

- **Self-Paced Training:** The D2L Instructor Self-Paced Training Guide walks you through the training process, and includes a way to be officially noted as completing the training. Expect to spend approximately 3 hours to complete. [http://homepages.neiu.edu/~ctl/D2L.html](http://homepages.neiu.edu/~ctl/D2L.html)

CTL Faculty Development Workshops & Webinars

- Demonstration of five tech-teaching competencies after attending workshops earns faculty members an “Expert Instructor” certification badge at bronze, silver, gold, and platinum levels.
- Watch your e-mail for a Targeted Announcement about live CTL webinars that you can attend from anywhere!
- For more information, see [http://homepages.neiu.edu/~ctl/workshops.html](http://homepages.neiu.edu/~ctl/workshops.html).

Online Teaching Course

- This 40-hour professional development course provides faculty members with the basic practices, techniques, and theories needed to be able to conduct online courses.
- Course runs 100% online, September 14 – October 9, 2015.
- Pre-Requisite: Successful completion of D2L General Training or D2L Self-Paced Training.

Hybrid Teaching Course

- Course runs 50/50 hybrid, October 12 – November 20, 2015.
- 30-hour professional development course that provides faculty members with the basic practices, techniques, and theories needed to be able to create and conduct hybrid courses.
- Pre-Requisite: Successful completion of D2L General Training or D2L Self-Paced Training.

Online Design Course

- In this 18-hour course, faculty members design & teach an online course.
- Course is 100% face-to-face on Tuesdays and Thursdays, September 8 – October 22, 2015.
- Participants have the Online Design course written into their base course load in order to design, create, and teach an online course.
- Priority enrollment for faculty in departments with formal plans for 100% online programs, or courses developed for the Gen-Ed curriculum.
- Pre-Requisites: Successful completion, at the time of nomination, of a) D2L General Training or D2L Self-Paced Training, and b) CTL Online Teaching or Hybrid Teaching course.
- Participants must have their course design peer reviewed by end of the semester.
- Participation is by department chair nomination only, due early August, 2015.