Welcome Online Faculty!

In an effort to maximize our support to distance education faculty, we are initiating an email newsletter to provide updates and points of interest at the beginning of the semester.

The newsletter will contain important information designed to acquaint you with the support services and resources available to you.

Our focus is on you, your success and your students’ success!

New Location

Update #1: Following realignment, Missouri State Online became the Distance Education Division of the Faculty Center for Teaching and Learning, located in the Meyer Library, LIB 204.

We are thrilled to be in the center of the academic community!

Opportunities and Events – Where to go!

Update #2: The Faculty Center for Teaching and Learning website is a great resource to find current information, learning opportunities, events taking place, pedagogical information and best practices for all learning modalities.

Also, be sure to check out the MSU master calendar to register for a variety of upcoming learning opportunities through the FCTL and Distance Education.

Visit http://www.missouristate.edu/fctl/ and select any of the FCTL’s Division links from the left navigation bar. For online and blended course information, select the Distance Education link.
Master Online Course

Update #3: The first annual Master Online Course Recognition Award for 2010 IS HERE! Sponsored by the Distance Education Division of the FCTL, the award offers 3 ways to nominate a class for recognition. #1 students can nominate their favorite class, #2 faculty can nominate their peers, or #3 you may nominate your own class!

For more information visit http://msonline.missouristate.edu/88514.htm. Help us promote and recognize outstanding models of course design and pedagogy!

Blackboard Support

Update #4: The Computer Services “Help Desk” is now your source for Blackboard information and technical support.

Please contact them by phone at (417) 836-5891 or email at http://helpdesk.missouristate.edu/contact/email-the-help-desk. BE SURE TO INDICATE YOU ARE FACULTY! 😊

Walk-in help is also an option by visiting any of the Computer Services Open-Access Labs. For locations and hours of operation go to http://helpdesk.missouristate.edu/computer-labs/open-access-labs.

Feature Story: DID YOU KNOW…?

... that the Distance Education Division of the FCTL provides test proctoring services for online courses? Absolutely!

Beginning as a pilot project in the summer of 2009, the Online Test Proctoring Center has now become a part of our efforts to provide faculty with the ability to give supervised exams for distance students, as well as campus students. You can teach an online course with the assurance and security of the traditional exam format and setting.

The Online Test Proctoring Center, under the coordination of Nasser Darabi, is located in the Meyer Library as part of the Distance Education Division of the FCTL.

Online students near campus can schedule with the Center for proctored exams, or the Center will help the students at a distance find secure proctored testing locations to take exams. For more information visit the Online Test Proctoring Center website at (http://msonline.missouristate.edu/68643.htm).

The FCTL and the Distance Education Division is eager to welcome you personally to the library. We provide support for development of new online and blended courses, or redevelopment of existing courses. Come and see what we can do for you!

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