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Going the Distance: Best Practices in Designing & Sharing Reusable Learning Objects

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Background



Institute of Technology Tallaght
(ITT Dublin) - range of courses /
4500 FTEs

•Information literacy (IL) / eLearning - strategic focus:

- 3 level IL Framework (2004)
- Strategic Plan (2009-2014)

- Learning, Teaching & Assessment Strategy (2011)



'How To' Online Tutorials

How to

Reference

your Sources

How to

Research your

Assignment

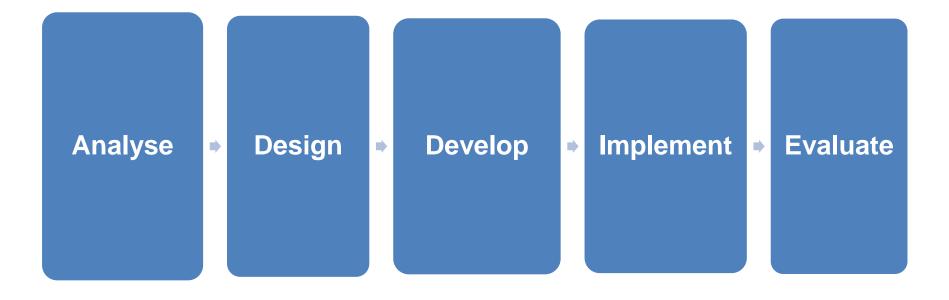
How to Think Critically



- •May 2010 aimed at undergraduates / postgraduates
- •Self-paced / interactive / 24x7
- •Research, critical thinking, academic integrity, referencing, academic skills
- •Sustainable / reusable under Creative Commons

Project Plan - ADDIE Model





Planning

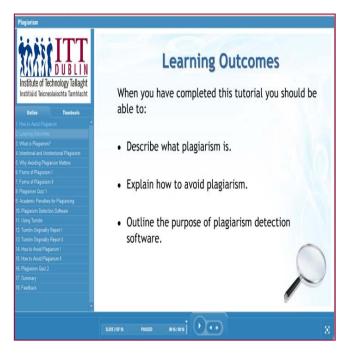
- Rationale
- •Secured HE funding
- •Reviewed existing online tutorials
- •ITT resources created from scratch
- •Support from IT / learning technologists / Leeds University



Instructional Design



- •Biggs' Model of Constructive Alignment (1999)
- generic learning outcomes
- learning activities
- assessment methods
- Active learning / range of learning styles





Content Design

- Detailed storyboarding
- •Language / consistent font / bullet points
- •Branding / logo
- •Accessible



Development Tools





•Created with Articulate Studio 09

•Engaging content / quizzes

•Non technical / easy to use functionality





•Pedagogical training

- learning styles / methodologies / assessment
- online instructional design
- •ICT training
 - eLearning software
 - Image editing Photoshop
 - Web editing HTML, Dreamweaver, CSS

Testing & Accessibility



•September 2010 - extensive usability testing / feedback / piloting

•SCORM (sharable content object reference model) 1.2 compliant

•W3C AAA (Web Content Accessibility) Guidelines 1.0

•Creative Commons Attribution-Non-commercial-Share Alike 4.0 International licence

•Available via multiple delivery platforms (website, VLE, institutional repository)

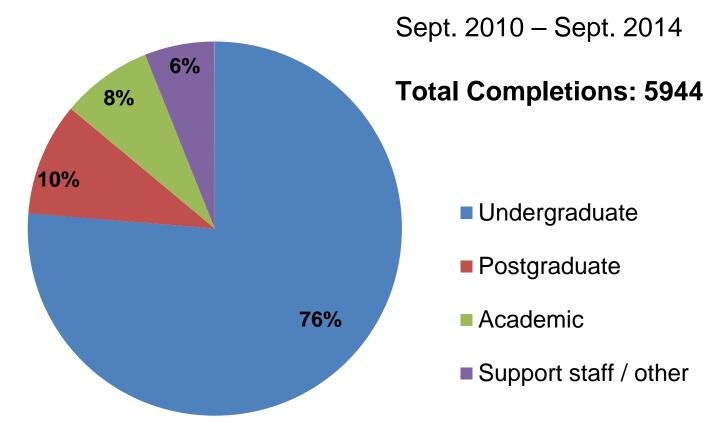
Implementation



- •Tutorials embedded into academic modules via Institute VLE – Moodle
- •Enhanced IL delivery
- -Blended approach
- -Learning to Learn module
- -September 2014 tutorials integrated into over 50 academic modules

Tutorial Usage





Evaluation Methods



- SurveyGizmo
- VLE/Google Analytics
- Focus Groups
- Online Repositories







Students

Staff

- Improved IL competencies
- Independent learning
- Transition into higher education
- Enhanced course content
- Accessibility of resources
- Advocates for sharing

Students' Comments



"Great tutorial - very good explanation of plagiarism and how to avoid it. Thought the quiz was very useful - meant I could check that I understood the material in the tutorial." "As a new student this online resource has made my introduction to college a lot easier, and helped me with my studies. I feel that I am more likely to succeed now at all levels of my course"

"An excellent learning resource – but please add some audio for students with reading difficulties, video content would also be of help."

Share and Reuse



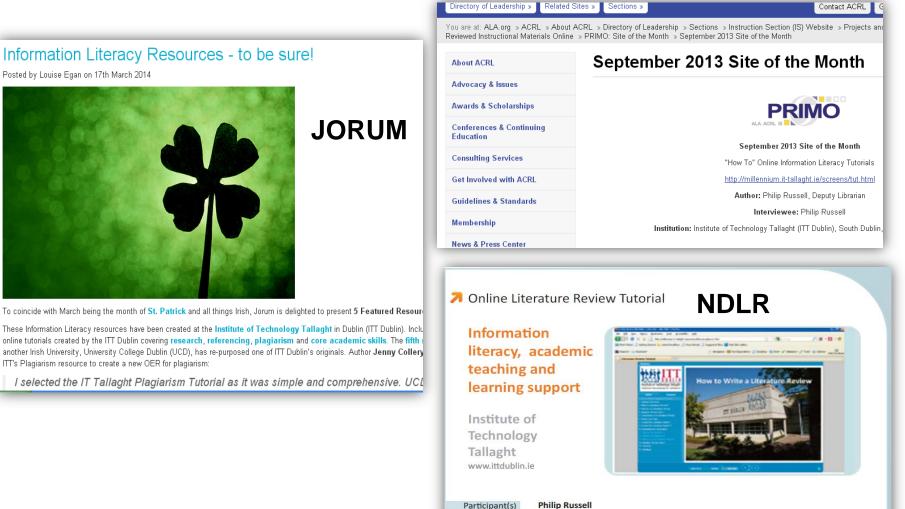


 Institutional repositories / national learning object repositories

•Conferences, seminars, workshops, professional networks

Publications

OER Repositories



Description

The aim of this project is to introduce all students to the literature review concept and provide them with an understanding of how to write up the literature review through the design and development of an online learning tool

Sharing With the Wider Community









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AVOIDING PLAGIARISM
 Introduction
 Learning Objectives
 Key Concepts
 Plagiarism Expained
 Real Life Plagiarism
 Benefits of Avoiding Plagiarism
 Intentional or Untentional
 Types of Plagiarism
 Tips to Avoid Plagiarism
 Plagiarism Detection
 Summary
 Want to learn more?
 Feedback

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Plagiarism Avoid it at all costs!





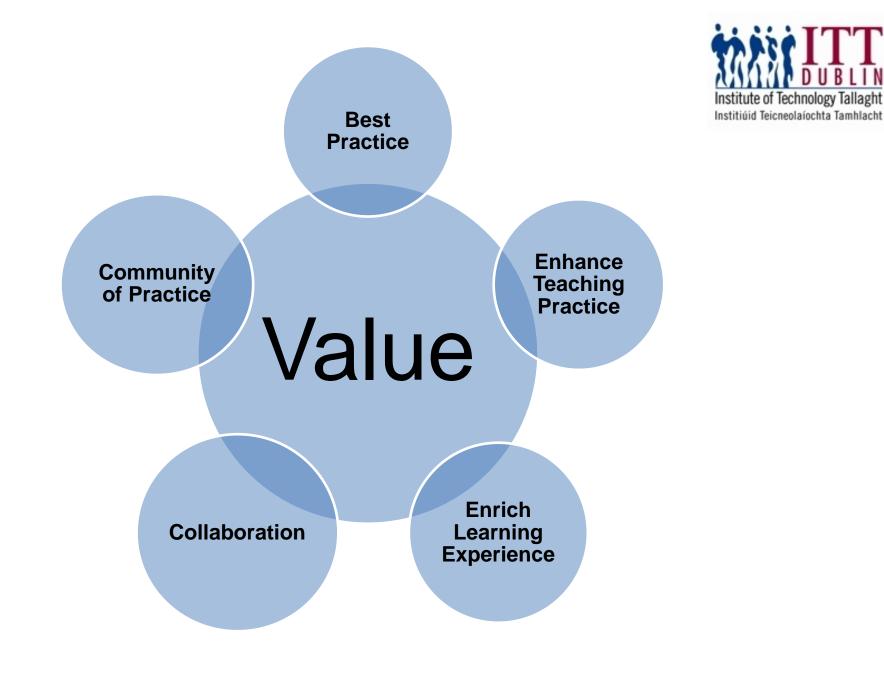
This tutorial was adapted from the IT Tallght, "How to avoid plagiarism" tutorial. Available at http://millennium.it-tallaght.le/screens/tut.html

Factors to Consider for Reuse

- •Generic resources
- Interoperable software / SCORM
- •Explicit licencing details

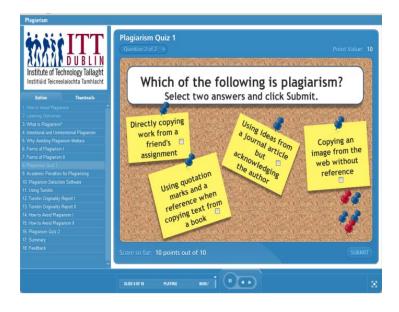


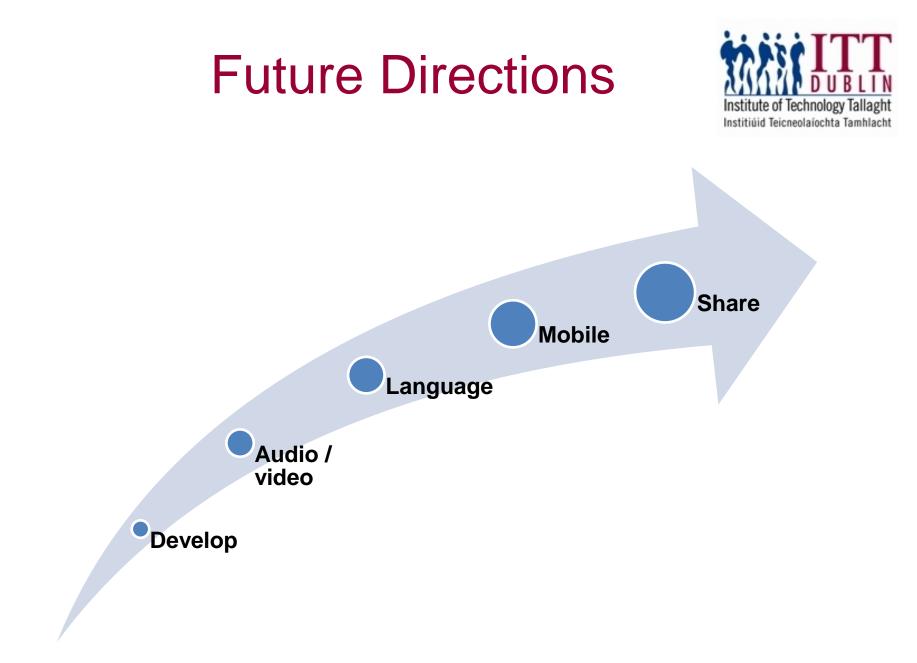
- Accessible & discoverable
- •Promote / lead by example



Lessons Learned

- •Staffing / time / funding
- Storyboarding / training
- •Extensive testing
- •Use feedback to improve





Thank You

ITT Dublin library RLOs at:

http://library.ittdublin.ie/screens/tut.html

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