Distance Learning Training

Each session will be in Education Center 203 unless otherwise indicated. Each session will last one hour, with 30 minutes available afterwards for those who want to continue with an informal discussion. For more information, contact the Distance and Distributed Education Center at: distance@westga.edu or call Ext. 96248.

Horizon Live
Upgrade Demo
Instructor: Talley
Jan. 15, 2003; 11:00am
Come see how the latest version of Horizon Live can help you reach out to your distance students.

Try It, You'll Like It: Using Horizon Live with WebCT
Instructor: Talley
Location: Ed. Center 243 GSAMS Room
Jan. 22; 11:00 am
Learn how Horizon Live can work with WebCT to help you meet the needs of various learning styles.
*box lunch served to participants*

WebCT Tool-Time Tuesday: Quiz Tool
Instructor: Gubbins
Jan. 28, 2003; 11:00 am
Monthly hands-on session with in-depth focus on a WebCT tool.

Handling Difficult Students in Online Courses
Instructor: Talley
Feb. 5, 2003; 11:00am
Distance learning is not for everyone. Learn secrets and strategies for dealing with students who are challenged by this environment.

Beyond the Classroom with Horizon Live
Instructor: Talley
Feb. 12, 2003; 11:00 am
See how you can use the archive feature of Horizon Live to provide general information to students, other faculty, staff, or the public in a multi-media format.

Tool-Time Tuesday: Student Presentation Tool
Instructor: Gubbins
Feb. 18, 2003; 11:00 am
Monthly hands-on session with in-depth focus on a WebCT tool.

Online Testing – Pros, Cons, Options
Instructor: Talley
Location: Ed. Center 243 GSAMS Room
Feb. 26, 2003; 11:00am
Discuss traditional as well as alternative means of effectively assessing students in the online environment.
*Box lunch served*

WebCT Chat: A Secret Jewel
Instructor: Talley
Mar. 5, 2003; 11:00 am
Chat in WebCT is a rarely-used tool because many students say they don't like it in their evaluations. Learn some easy protocols that will make your chat sessions wonderful.
The Future of Distance Learning
Instructor: Talley
Mar. 12, 2003; 11:00 am
Come look into the crystal ball and see where we think we could be in 5 and 10 years.

WebCT: Tool-Time Tuesday – Bulletin Board
Instructor: Gubbins
Mar. 25, 2003; 11:00 am
Monthly hands-on session with in-depth focus on a WebCT tool.

Creating Interactivity in Distance Learning
Instructor: Hirlinger, Talley
Apr. 2, 2003; 11:00 am
Interaction is a crucial element in any course and is often the means by which students and instructors check assumptions, process information, and stay motivated. This session will show you how to build that crucial interaction mechanism into your course and how to keep from getting overwhelmed by it.

Synchronous Delivery of Courses: Pros, Cons, and the Best Methods
Instructor: Rowland, Talley
Location: Ed. Center 243 GSAMS Room
Apr. 9, 2003; 11:00 am
This session will explore the pros and cons of synchronous distance learning. Tools covered will include GSAMS, Horizon Live, WebCT chat, and audio. *Box lunch served*

Cool Tools We Never Use
Instructors: Talley, Gubbins
Apr. 16, 2003; 11:00 am
Learn how to do cool things like put animation in your WebCT bulletin board postings, have an audio conference, and much more. You'll dazzle your colleagues with your new bag of tricks.

WebCT Tool-Time Tuesday: Whiteboard and Horizon Live Board
Instructor: Gubbins
Apr. 22, 2003; 11:00 am
Monthly hands-on session with in-depth focus on a WebCT tool.

Great Ideas in Distance Learning
Instructor: Talley
Location: Ed. Center 243 GSAMS Room
Apr. 30, 2003; 11:00 am
This short session will discuss and demonstrate five creative ideas used by faculty in a distance learning classroom. Bring your own success story with you if you have one. *Box lunch served.*