Spring 2011 Online Enrollment

39 fully online classes are offered with 1166 registered seats (2/3/11), an average of 29.9 students per class. With the same number of courses offered as in Spring ’10, it reflects a 2.2% increase over Spring ’10 and 8.5% increase (37 courses) over Fall ’10.

Fall 2010 Blackboard Vista Usage

221 out of 359 credit courses (61.6%) used Blackboard Vista, higher than the average usage of the 12 community colleges (51%). The courses using Blackboard Vista involved 2575 students (87%), out of 2955 students taking credit courses at MxCC.

Self-Assessment for Online Students

Since Fall 2008, the READI test has been used for seven semesters to help students get ready for learning online. The new name for the READI test is SmarterMeasure. The correlation study on 3228 cases of MxCC online students indicates that the score of personal attributes in the READI test significantly correlates to the students’ final grades. The complete case study with the following topics can be found at http://www.smarterservices.com/casestudies.cfm

- How SmarterMeasure has been implemented?
- What does the data analyses show?
- How is the finding integrated to enhance support?

Blackboard Learn Implementation Timelines

In Fall 2011, professor Terry McNulty and professor Marci Swede will use Blackboard Learn in their courses.

In Spring 2012, the following faculty members representing five academic divisions will use Blackboard Learn in their courses.

Science: Judy Wallace, Ray Denise
Humanities: Rick Eriksen
Social Science: Tad Lincoln
Business: Lin Lin
Math: Mary Rayappan

In Fall 2012, all courses at all 12 CT community colleges will be using Blackboard Learn.
Spring 2011
Technology Training Schedule

Friday, 4/1/2011
10:00 am - 12:00 pm  Web 2.0: Facebook Exploration - Profile v. Groups v. Pages
Facebook seems to be everywhere. We will examine the difference between a Facebook Profile, Group and Pages so that you are better informed on how you might want to use Facebook for yourself, group or organization. Review of MxCC Web 2.0 Guidelines.

Friday, 4/15/2011
10:00 am - 12:00 pm  Web 2.0 Wikis and Prezi.com - Wow Your Audience!
Discover how a free online wiki tool allows users to add and edit content collectively. And check out Prezi.com - how presentations go Web 2.0 live and on the web. Review of MxCC Web 2.0 Guidelines.

Friday, 4/29/2011
9:00 am - 10:30 am  Use Grade Book and Grading Forms (Rubrics) in BB Vista
Create gradebook columns and grading forms with rubrics, and links gradebook columns and grading forms to discussions and assignments.

Friday, 4/29/2011
10:45 am - 12:15 pm  Design Group Activities and Assignments in BB Vista
Best practices and strategies for designing effective group activities. Assignment feedback and link assignments to course goals.

Friday, 4/29/2011
1:00 pm - 2:30 pm  A Peek Under the Hood of Blackboard Learn
An introduction to Blackboard Learn, the newest version of the Blackboard learning management system (LMS), which will replace our current Blackboard Vista system in Fall 2012.

Visit the MxCC Technology Training web page for most updated workshops and handouts at:
http://www.mxcc.commnet.edu/Content/Educational_Technology_Training.asp

What is new for Blackboard Learn?

Spring has sprung at MxCC!