

CVC News

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CVC Awards Announcement

Five years ago, the California Virtual Campus began recognizing exceptional Web sites used for teaching online courses to acknowledge faculty and staff work and to encourage others to pursue the same kind of excellence. We're very happy to announce the winners of the 2005 CVC Online Teaching Website Awards:



Giorgio Spano
City College of San Francisco

Elementary Italian

Giorgio's course received high marks for educational content, layout, usability, and instructional design. The Web site is visually stunning. Students are able to hear the language both spoken and sung. They are also introduced to Italian culture (gestures, music, art, etc.). The instructor demonstrates a strong desire to ensure student success.



Carolyn Brown
Foothill College

Creative Typography

The Flash tutorials used to engage and instruct the students are impressive. Students can check their progress throughout the course and can share their work online. This course site epitomizes fine graphic design, optimal usability, and effective use of images and animations.



Jodi Reed
Cuyamaca College

Advanced Dreamweaver

This website is comprehensive, well organized, usable and makes use of multimedia and the Internet. The instructor provides excellent video demonstrations of needed course skills and clearly states expectations for student. Students can easily share their work.



Michaela Monahan
Southwestern College

Critical Thinking and Composition

The course materials are presented in a fresh manner encouraging interactivity and collaborative learning. The instructor motivates students by explaining how the skills being taught will benefit them both in the course and throughout their lives. The course also provides an abundance of valuable supplementary information.

Links to these award-winning Web sites will soon be posted at the CVC Professional Development Center website at <http://pdc.cvc.edu/cvcaward/>

Summer Training, Workshops and Conferences

Summer Training Institute for Distance Education Faculty



Cerro Coso Community College
Mammoth Lakes Campus , California
June 20-June 25, 2005

Combine a valuable training with a summer stay in a in the Sierras and receive 2 units of Community College Credit with a framed Certificate of Completion. To reserve your place at the summer institute visit <http://training.cvc4.org/train/mammoth/default.asp>

Three Separate Training Tracks:

1. Online Teaching and Learning for the Beginning Online Instructor
2. Online Teaching and Learning for the Intermediate/Advanced Online Instructor
3. Teaching using Interactive Television

\$50 Lunches and materials

\$26/Unit (instate tuition)

(Total cost for California Residents is \$102, Non-California Residents is \$436)

By special arrangement with the Mammoth Mountain Ski Area, housing is as little as \$20/night/person double occupancy. Depending on availability, you could bring a spouse/partner.

@ONE Summer Training Distance Education Workshops

The @ONE Project at Evergreen Valley College is honored to continue offering CVC trainings to California Community College faculty and staff. Starting this Summer, @ONE will offer CVC online courses in addition to other technology training materials for faculty, staff, and IT Professionals. Registration opens May 6th.

More information about this summer's Distance Education workshops can be found at <http://one.evc.edu/de/>.

Sloan Online Seminar Series

Copyright Compliance for Online Educators (June 1-June 10)

<http://www.sloan-c.org/workshop/copyrightworkshop.asp>

Marketing Online Programs (July 20-July 29)

<http://www.sloan-c.org/workshop/marketing.asp>

Date	Conference	Location
May 15 - 19	EDUCAUSE: CUMREC 2005 Conference http://www.cumrec.org/2005/	Keystone, CO
June 11 -13	Benchmarking Quality in Distance Education http://www.nutn.org/annual_event.html	San Francisco, CA
July 18 - 22	WebCT !mpact 2005 https://programs.regweb.com/go/webctimpact2005/	San Francisco, CA
July 24 - 28	Syllabus 2005 http://www.campus-technology.com/conferences/summer2005/index.asp	Los Angeles, CA
July 25 - 28	5th Annual MERLOT International Conference http://conference.merlot.org/conference/2005/	Nashville, TN

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Resources

How to be a Successful Online Student DVD

CVC4 is pleased to announce the Student Success DVD which is available free to California Community Colleges. It was developed to orient students to the online environment and to present strategies for being successful. This orientation provides an essential ingredient in promoting student success by covering:

- Successful Online Students
- Characteristics of Online Classes
- Tools and Technology
- Navigating an Online Class
- Helpful Tips
- Common Misconceptions



It was produced by CVC4 for the California Community Colleges. It can be reproduced by colleges for distribution to their online students. (Students cannot be charged more than the cost of reproduction). Source files can be provided for "branding" for a college's logo and introduction. To receive your free copy, complete the online form at

<http://training.cvc4.org/train/dvd/>

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CVC Training - @ONE

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CVC Reflections and a Look Forward

Dr. Ted Boehler, Director CVC3

Over the last five years of the CVC we have seen amazing growth in distance learning. As we look at the future I see a continued drive toward combining many tools where no one tool reigns supreme. I see a dramatic move away from the proprietary LMS courseware toward open source solutions. Finally, I see an overwhelming tide of students and faculty demanding more time flexibility, better support resources, and more options to meet the needs of the 21st century.

The work of the CVC from 1999 - 2005 was pioneering and we helped blaze the trail. The territory was new and we were the scouts, the map-makers, the speculators, the wagon leaders, and the adventurers. It is still an exciting journey, but the settlers are coming, the mid and late adopters, and throngs of students. It may never be the same, but we pointed to the horizon and helped tame the territory. And for that we should be proud.



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CVC People



Thanks to all those who have contributed to the CVC. Below is a partial list:



CVC1 - Martha Mills, Bill Doherty, Catherine Ayers, Willie Pritchard, Dr. Martha Kanter, Cindy Vinson, Marti Atkinson, Carlos Araya, Alex Gong, Alpha Sarmian, Jane Chavis, Anne Guptill, Judith Johnson, Scott Hildreth, Melissa Ingalls, Colleen Peterson, Nahid Tehianian, Shashi Naidu, Hailu Temesn (Temu), Valerie Landau, Betty Sennewald, Wayne Chenoweth



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MERLOT <http://www.merlot.org> is an established international cooperative dedicated to making high quality online resources freely accessible to improve learning and teaching within higher



education. The CVC has coordinated system participation in the MERLOT project. Four California community college faculty are currently members of MERLOT Editorial Review Boards - Dave and Don Megill (Music), Michelle Pilati (Psychology) and Ian Walton (Mathematics). Dave Megill (MiraCosta College) and Michelle Pilati (Rio Hondo College) lead their respective boards.



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Dedication – Yvonne Maller

This issue of CVC News is dedicated to Yvonne Maller, Dean of Learning Resources, Sacramento City College, for her contributions to CVC.

"These dedicated professionals, along with their hard working and talented staffs, are to be commended for coordinating and implementing a vital and dynamic state-funded program.

Please join me in congratulating our colleagues for a job done well!" – Ken Nather, Specialist, Distance Education, Chancellor's Office, California Community Colleges



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2005 AFFY Award The California Virtual Campus (CVC) was the first recipient of the annual AFFY Awards presented at the Alliance for Distance Education in California (ADEC) Summit XVI held at the Westin Hotel at San Francisco Airport on March 3 - 5, 2005. The AFFY Awards are given to programs that demonstrate a commitment to advancing distance education within our state. ADEC (founded in 1989) is an association of over 200 professionals dedicated to the development of distance learning and collaborations among all levels of education.



CVC Accomplishments

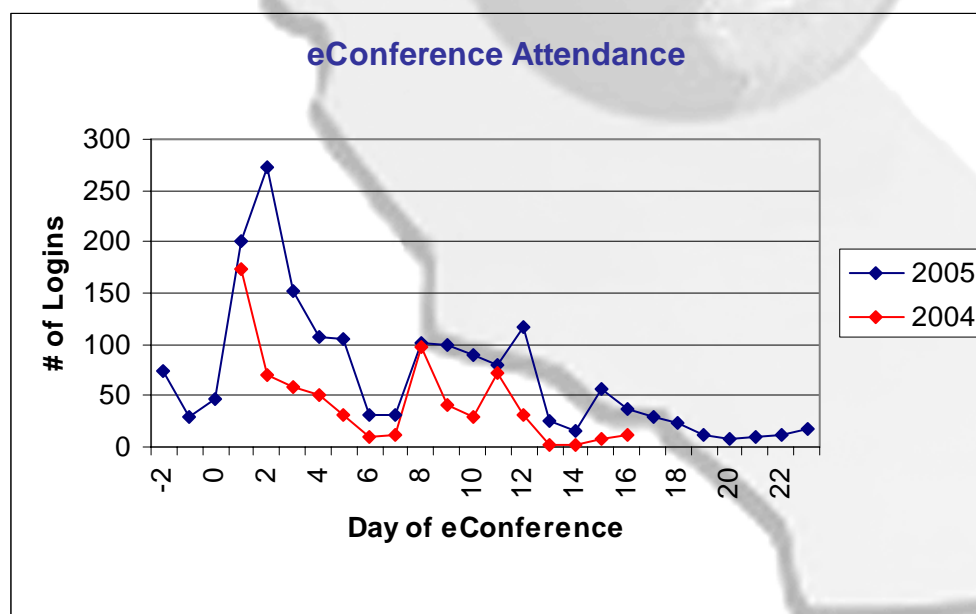
- First statewide online catalog of distance education programs and courses.
- First systemwide hosting of online courses by a community college system.
- First community college state system awards for online courses, beginning in 2000.
- Since CVC started in 1999, Distance Education courses have seen extraordinary growth.
- CVC has provided hosting for thousands of online courses.
- The only free virtual conference hosted by a state community college system.

CVC/CCC Confer Online Instructional and Student Support Services eConference

Attendance at the 2005 eConference was almost double that of 2004, with over 50 professional presentations in six different tracks, two keynotes, five poster sessions, 11 virtual vendor booths, and over 70 possible discussion forums.

Archives Available:
until June 30, 2005
<http://econf.cvc.edu/>

In general, feedback from both attendees and vendors at this year's eConference has been quite positive. Below are some of the initial participation statistics:



"I wanted to say thank you to all members of the team. This is my second year attending this conference, and I'm having a blast. I learn so much, and meet so many interesting people. You've made it so user-friendly. Thank you." - eConference attendee.

Registration/Attendance	2004	2005	Institutions Represented 2005	
Registrations	582	1163	California Educational	195
At least 1 logon	407	663	Out of State Educational	133
# Countries Represented	7	43	Foreign Educational	57
			Educational Organizations	11
			Commercial	19

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CVC Consolidation Project Update

By Catherine McKenzie

Technology, Research and Information Systems Unit (TRIS), CCCCCO

At the direction of Chancellor Mark Drummond and in response to 2004 - 2005 budget allowances, the transition of the CVC project from a regionally managed program to a consolidated structure is well under way. The transition is currently being managed by Catherine McKenzie from the TRIS unit within the Chancellor's Office, whose primary objective is to ensure a smooth transition of existing services for the user community. Catherine has been working closely with the CVC regional directors and staff to redirect the existing service options of the current programs to new entities, which will be overseen by one program sponsor. The primary sponsor will be selected via the CVC Project RFA 05 - 0008 (<http://www.cccco.edu/grants/grants.htm>) at the end of May, appointed in June and become operational in July.

The CVC transition will occur in two phases. Tasks currently under way include the migration of faculty and staff training modules, currently hosted by CVC4, to @ONE (www.one.cvc.edu), which provides educational technology training resources to California Community College faculty and staff. CVC4 Sharepoint services will also be migrated along with training material. Faculty streaming media services, also currently offered by CVC4, will migrate to CCCSAT at Palomar. In a later phase, services currently available via the Professional Development Center (PDC) and CVC2 will continue for the time being with transition planned later this year. CVC2 will continue to host and provide CMS administrative services through October 2005. CMS hosting service will continue through the rest of 2005-06 allowing colleges to migrate to their own service or join the new central hosting service available beginning this Fall via the FCCC/CCCCO centralized hosting project. The PDC will continue to host the virtual online course catalogue and its other faculty/staff resources within the PDC website.

Related to CVC communication and access to online information, listservs at the regional level will transition to the existing central CVC listserv, to be hosted either by the PDC (www.cvc.edu) or Butte College. Regarding CVC regional websites, any valuable resources currently on CVC region websites will be moved to PDC (www.cvc.edu). In the near future, web users accessing the domain names for the existing CVC regional sites will be re-directed to www.cvc.edu.

When the new RFA grantee is selected and comes onboard in the next several months CVC as it is today will build on the accomplishments over the past six years with continued emphasis towards providing the community colleges with a premier centralized source for virtual education support. Training opportunities via @ONE will continue to develop, centralized hosting with a 24x7 help desk for faculty and students will materialize, as well as continued support for MERLOT (www.merlot.org), an online community dedicated to the support and growth of distance learning and online teaching. Please join us in congratulating the CVC Regional Directors and staff for their efforts over the years in developing CVC to what it is today, and also offer your support as the next generation of CVC materializes.

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