October 2015 Isidore Update

Good morning Instructors,

Our October Isidore Update is full of treats, not tricks.

In this edition, you can read about:

- A new way your students can receive writing assistance through Isidore
- Upcoming Isidore features
- Training opportunities

Writing Support for your Students… in Isidore

The Write Place provides peer writing support to UD students to help them become better writers and currently offers drop in hours in the Roesch Library's Knowledge Hub. New this year, a "Write Place" tool was added to all students' "My Account" tab in Isidore, giving students more flexibility in how they want to receive writing support. Students can now submit their papers online through the Write Place tool, and receive feedback from a Write Place Consultant within 48 hours. A writing consultant will provide 30 minutes of consultative feedback. Students are notified via email when their submissions have been reviewed. Students may also request to send an email to faculty, letting them know of the additional effort being put forth on class assignments.

The image below shows you how students can access the Write Place tool and drop off their documents.

Attendance Tracking Tool Considered

One of the most commonly requested Isidore features is an attendance tracking tool. We're considering developing a new attendance tool inside of Isidore. If you're interested in providing feedback about future prototypes of the attendance tool, then please send us an email via elearning@udayton.edu.

Coming Soon: Lessons Checklist

If you're using the Lessons tool, you know it's a great way to organize your course content for your students. In hopes of increasing student engagement and success, we're currently developing a new checklist feature within the Lessons tool. Faculty will have the ability to create to-do items that are visible to students. As students complete the items, they can mark them off their checklist. Eventually, faculty will be able to monitor students' progression through each checklist.

Here's a sneak preview of what one of our first mock-ups looks like, although its appearance and functionality may change as development continues. We'll have more on this feature soon, so stay tuned!

Training Opportunities

Whether you are new to Isidore, or interested in doing more with your course site, there are a variety of group training sessions to meet your needs.

If the times of our training sessions don't work with your schedule, we are happy to schedule one-on-one consultations if you contact us via elearning@udayton.edu or (937) 229-5039.

View Schedule and Register for Sessions

We hope that your semester continues to go well. Please let us know if we can assist you or your students.

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