ED F432; Fundamentals of Media Design and Web Tools 2.0
3 Credits
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Catalog Description
Create and publish materials with proper media design for use in teaching and learning. Topics include photo and graphics formatting, video production, video podcast production, SMART technologies, static screen capture, motion screen capture, and analyze for educational content. These productions will be included on the students’ MITI eportfolios. This course is a prerequisite for subsequent MITI courses and should be taken after or concurrently with ED 431 Web 2.0 Fundamentals: Participate, Produce, Publish.

It is expected that this course will take 135+ hours to complete.

Students in the course will:
- Capture and manipulate photos in proper format for print, computer display and web publication.
- Create and publish video productions with multiple elements and in correct format.
- Create, publish and video podcasts for educational content.
- Create and publish SMART presentations and incorporate available presentations.
- Create, publish, and print tutorials using static screen captures and analyze for educational content.
- Create, publish, and analyze video tutorials using motion screen captures.

Alignment with School of Education Mission
The School of Education prepares educators to work in urban and rural Alaska and to work with K-12 students from many backgrounds, with a particular focus on Alaska Native languages and cultures. We are particularly committed to enhancing the educational opportunities for Alaska’s rural and Native populations. Through the UAF rural campuses, we are responsive to local and regional needs within the state.

Through our programs and professional development courses, we promote the following goals:

- Increase the number of qualified educators for Alaska’s schools
- Enhance the professional skills of Alaska’s K-12 educators
- Develop and support ongoing systemic educational collaborations with Alaska schools and communities
- Conduct collaborative research on cross-cultural and multicultural education

This course supports the UAF School of Education’s mission by providing students with the skills necessary to design thoughtful individualized instructional environments utilizing technologies and strategies appropriate to all learners. Students will acquire skills in the management and implementation of technology that will enhance their professional qualifications based on ISTE and Alaska teacher standards for technology and instructional design.
Plagiarism and Academic Honesty

Plagiarism is using what another person has developed as your own words or thoughts. Plagiarism is never acceptable. UAF requires students to conduct themselves honestly and responsibly and to respect the rights of others. Cheating, plagiarism or other forms of academic dishonesty may result in disciplinary action and sanctions.

The UAF Student Code of Conduct is adhered to in this course.

Disability Services

The UAF Office of Disability Services implements the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), and insures that UAF students have equal access to the campus and course materials. Your instructor will work with the Office of Disability Services (208 WHIT, 907-474-5655) to provide reasonable accommodation to students with disabilities.

UAF Disability Services for Distance Students

UAF has a Disability Services office that operates in conjunction with the College of Rural and Community Development (CRCD) campuses and UAF Center for Distance Education (CDE). Disability Services, a part of UAF Center for Health and Counseling, provides academic accommodations to enrolled students who are identified as being eligible for these services. If you believe you are eligible, please visit the Office of Disability Services on the web or contact a student affairs staff person at your nearest local campus. You can also contact Disability Services on the Fairbanks Campus at (907) 474-5655, fydso@uaf.edu.

Required Readings/Texts/Software

The readings for this course are meant to be as current as possible. Therefore instead of a text book we will utilize research based Journal articles. This allows us to review and analyze some of the most current research regarding our work. These articles are available through the UAF Rasmuson Library or you may email me for the pdf versions of the readings.

The required readings are as follows.

Anderson, M. (2010). Expanding the power of primary sources with web 2.0. MultiMedia & Internet@Schools, 17(4), 36-38.


Recommended Readings:


**Course Fees**

There are no fees associated with this class as a personal web domain will have been established in ED 493, Web 2.0 Fundamentals. Software used in the course will be available as freeware, shareware or trial versions for both Windows and Macintosh operating systems. A personal web domain will have been established in ED 493 Web 2.0 Fundamentals.

**Writing Standards**

Citations and references should adhere to the American Psychological Association (APA) Formatting and Style Guide. Additionally, all of your blog and portfolio submissions (but not necessarily your tweets and comment) will be evaluated for proper spelling and grammatical usage.

**Technology Requirements**

This is an online course that will utilize several multimedia technologies. Additionally, there will be periodic online interaction with the instructor using Elluminate (ELive). Consistent Internet access and a computer with the ability to record and broadcast sound via a built-in or external mic or a headset will be required. Students are expected to be active participants in online exchanges with MITI cohorts and with other colleagues and mentors through a personal learning network.

Students will be expected to have the most current versions of several applications that will be used in this course, including QuickTime, Flash (Mac | Windows), iTunes and Java.

Before the first online class meeting, please visit the ELive Qualification Room and make sure that your system is capable of supporting ELive sessions.
Evaluation

Each assignment or project will be evaluated on a 5-point rubric with 0-4 points available. There will be a total of six assignments for a possible total of 24 points. The following grading scale applies:

- 24 points: A
- 21-23 points: B
- 18-20 points: C
- 13-17 points: D
- Below 13 points: F

The instructor will review and comment on each assignment and you are free to revise and resubmit as often as desired. Most assignments will also undergo a peer review process before they are included in your portfolio.

Course Assignments
Assignment: Photography/Graphics
Time to complete this unit: 22 hours.
Take a series of at least six high quality photos that demonstrate an understanding of composition, lighting and white balance. The photos are to be at least 8 MB and be related theme-wise. Prepare two of them for printing, two for computer display and two for web publication. Use filters for correcting color balance, contrast, etc. as needed. Write a blog entry describing how the photos were prepared, reasoning for using or not using particular graphics formats (GIF, JPEG, PNG, TIFF) the aspect ratio used and any difficulties encountered and record any online resources found to be helpful. Create a web album and a collage of the six (or more) photos with captions.
Instruction: 6, Assignment: 12, Collaboration: 4

Assignment: Video Editing
Time to complete this unit: 30 hours.
Create a series of three videos that are no longer than three minutes and have these elements: video, title, audio, narration, music, at least one still and appropriate transitions. The series of movies are to tell complete stories, document complete events or teach the viewer how to complete a series of tasks. Use consistent elements to demonstrate the movies are a series. Examples include safety issues in a science lab, tuning string instruments, art techniques, etc. Publish the movies on an appropriate online video site (YouTube, Vimeo, etc.). Publish the movies as video podcasts. Write a blog entry that describes your camcorder (CMOS vs. CCD, DV vs. AVCHD, microphone(s), etc.), the aspect ratio of your video, the format of your movie (SD vs. HD, 640p, 640i, 720p, 720i, etc.) and why letterboxing or pillarboxing was or was not encountered.
Instruction: 8, Assignment: 18, Collaboration: 4

Assignment: SMART Technology
Time to complete this unit: 16 hours.
Create a series of two related lessons or presentations using SMART Notebook software. At least four elements (photos, graphics, etc.) are to be student-created. Publish the lessons/presentations to SMART Education Exchange.
Write a blog entry that describes problems encountered, how they were addressed and how SMART technology can be used effectively for learning/teaching or presenting.

Instruction: 6, Assignment: 6, Collaboration: 4

Assignment: Screen Capture
Time to complete this unit: 22 hours.
Incorporate appropriate applications (system tools, Skitch, etc.) to assist in creating two documents which demonstrate how to accomplish related computer-related tasks. Screen captures are to be appropriate in size and content. Labels, arrows and other elements are to be supportive of teaching/learning.
Write a blog entry that describes any problems encountered, how they were addressed and the use of screen captures in creating education materials.
Instruction: 8, Assignment: 10, Collaboration: 4

Assignment: Desktop Recording
Time to complete this unit: 22 hours.
Incorporate appropriate applications (Snapz Pro, ScreenFlow, Camtasia, etc.) to create two videos which demonstrate how to complete computer-related tasks. Incorporate consistent callouts, narration, music, etc. to show the relationship between the two videos.
Write a blog entry that describes any problems encountered, how they were addressed and the use of desktop recording in creating education materials.
Instruction: 8, Assignment: 10, Collaboration: 4

Assignment: Peer Review
Time to complete this unit: 24 hours.
For this assignment, you will be expected to critically review each of your cohort’s blog posts for content and mechanics. This is an important step in the final publication of assignments to the MITI portfolio. Reviews should be thoughtful, respectful, and constructive and not simply general comments about the post. Follow these guidelines:

Clarity of message
Cite at least one passage from each post that is the best example of clarity and/or insight, both in terms of relevance of content and strength of writing. Cite an example that supports your comments.

Improvement of message
Cite at least one passage from each post that needs improvement. In each case explain what needs clarification, is misleading, needs additional development, is factually unsupported, etc.

Writing Standards
Comment on any examples of typos or misspellings, grammar or usage, or lack of adherence to APA styles for references and citations.

Instruction: 2, Assignment: 8  Collaboration: 14