

Digital Ed **E-NEWS**



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Welcome to this month's DE-news! We've got some exciting things happening this month. Check them out below.

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Webinar on Social Presence in Online Courses



Peer-to-peer interaction has been demonstrated to improve student motivation and learning outcomes in online courses. On Wednesday, November 2, Curriculum and Instruction will host a webinar on establishing and maintaining social presence in an online classroom from 1 to 2 p.m. The presenter is Prof. Patrick Lowenthal of Boise State. Lunch will be provided. Please RSVP to Rhonda Wilson at

wilson73@purdue.edu by Oct. 31 at 5 p.m.

Distance Education Week Activities



Join Digital Education and colleagues from Purdue Northwest and IU-PU Fort Wayne to celebrate Distance Education Week, Nov. 7 through 11. Each day from 1 to 2:30 p.m. will feature a free presentation

on the following:

- Monday--online education's history
- Tuesday--the online teaching experience
- Wednesday--the technology for online learning
- Thursday—the online student experience
- Friday—the future of online education

You can register for any or all of the sessions [here](#).

Prof. Richardson Recognized as OLC Fellow



Curriculum and Instruction professor Jennifer Richardson has been named as a 2016 fellow to the Online Learning Consortium (formerly the Sloan Consortium). The recognition is awarded to those who have demonstrated extraordinary efforts in the field of online education, engagement with OLC and esteemed standing among their peers. The awards ceremony will be

held at the OLC Accelerate Conference in Orlando on Wednesday, November 23.

Social Learning Environment on a Massive Scale



Purdue has partnered with an international provider of free, massive-scale, online courses built around social learning experiences. This provider has been recognized for creating excellent user experiences in an innovative approach to facilitating learning for the massive open online course audiences. Four Purdue faculty members have been paired with ITaP instructional developers to create the first cohort of learner-centered courses that will launch in April. Several of these courses will be connected to our regular online courses to facilitate interactions between Purdue students and a global learning community. If you want to explore developing a large-scale open online course for a subsequent cohort, contact Maricel Lawrence at lawren36@purdue.edu.

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