

Module 5

Video-Introduction Transcript

“When we teach online, we can and must provide access to multimedia resources that highlight our course’s important concepts and are integrated with more traditional text-based resources. This becomes even more important in the case of counterintuitive concepts, where extra help is necessary in order to support expert-like student intuition on the subject at hand. In addition, we can and must produce a sophisticated and engaging online-course interface that will communicate professionalism to the students and increase their motivation to do well in the course.

This module addresses the reasons for and the practical steps involved in accomplishing these tasks. The Web is abundant with already-created multimedia resources that you may identify and incorporate in your courses as they are or with minor modifications. If you are unable to find exactly what you need, we can help you design and develop appropriate custom multimedia resources. DOTS and several of the sample courses reviewed provide relevant examples meant to give you multimedia and course-interface ideas that you can implement in your own courses. Producing a sophisticated and engaging course interface can be accomplished with increasing ease, thanks to a multitude of user-friendly Web-design applications. During the wrap-up meeting for the module, we will explore some multimedia and course-interface-creation tools and will outline relevant DePaul services that are available to you.”