

Distance Learning and Communication Tools

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Types of eLearning Technologies

Synchronous/Real Time

- ✧ Cisco TelePresence
- ✧ Interactive Video Conferencing (Room to Room)
- ✧ Web Conference/Online classroom
- ✧ Video/Internet Calling

Cisco TelePresence/Interactive Video Conferencing (Room to Room)

Benefits

- Audio/Visual Presentation
- Connecting Groups
- Feels like face to face
- Spontaneity
- Recordable

Limitations

- Bandwidth Considerations
- Cost and Support of Technology
- Geographic Location/Access

Web Conference/Online Classroom

Common Technologies

- ✧ Saba Centra
- ✧ Adobe Connect
- ✧ GoToMeeting
- ✧ Live Meeting
- ✧ WebX

Web Conference/Online classroom

Benefits

- Audio/Video Presentation
- Point to Point for multiple users
- Recordable
- Document Sharing
- Spontaneous
- Convenient
- Allows for group conversation
- Small Screen
- Dependent on bandwidth/computer compatibility
- Cost for Support/Licensing

Limitations

Video/Internet Calling

- ✧ Skype
- ✧ FaceTime/Tango
- ✧ Google+ Hangout
- ✧ Oovoo

- Audio/Video
- Person to Person (Small groups)

Types of eLearning Tools

Asynchronous

- ✧ Learning Management Systems
- ✧ Websites
- ✧ Blogs
- ✧ Wikis
- ✧ Discussion Forums
- ✧ Email

Summary:

Strategies and Lessons

- ✓ **Best practices for engagement and connection online**
- ✓ **Choosing the right technology for the purpose and outcome**
- ✓ **Network of support, training and service.**

Questions?