

Appendix C

Listservs, Threaded Discussions, Notes Conferences, and Forums

Listservs, threaded discussions, notes conferences, and forums provide an excellent means to join national and international discussions regarding Web-based training, distance education, and development. As a member of these groups, one can participate or just observe the conversation. Whatever level of participation you choose, you will access a rich source of experience and knowledge.

Listservs

AAHESGIT

This list is a lively discussion of issues related to teaching, administration, and policy regarding instructional technology in higher education. It is run by Steven B. Gilbert, Director, Technology Projects, American Association for Higher Education (AAHE).

To be included, send e-mail to LISTPROC@LIST.CREN.NET with the following, and only the following, in the body of the message:

SUBSCRIBE AAHESGIT [your name here]

AEDNET

The Adult Education Network list is a broad discussion group of students, practitioners, and academics. The topics center on adult learning and literacy.

To be included, send e-mail to LISTSERV@ALPHA.ACAST.NOVA.EDU with the following, and only the following, in the body of the message:

SUBSCRIBE AEDNET [your name here]

CYBERPHIL

This list is run by the International Society for Interactive Instructional Technology and sponsors a discussion about interactive instructional technologies.

To be included, send e-mail to LISTSERV@CARINS.CARIBOO.BC.CA with the following, and only the following, in the body of the message:

SUBSCRIBE CYBERPHIL [your name here]

DEOS-L/DEOSNEWS

The American Center for Study of Distance Education sponsors this large, diverse list. This is a good source for book reviews, summaries of research findings, and discussion related to distance education in academic and organizational settings. There are two lists:

DEOSNEWS, an electronic journal for distance educators, and DEOS-L, an electronic forum. The purpose of DEOS is to disseminate information and to support international computer conferencing through systems accessible to professionals and students in the field of distance education.

To be included, send e-mail to LISTSERV@PSUVM.PSU.EDU with the following, and only the following, in the body of the message:

SUBSCRIBE DEOS-L [your name here]
SUBSCRIBE DEOSNEWS [your name here]

EDTECH

EDTECH is a moderated list that discusses all forms of educational technology, instructional systems, and multimedia instruction.

To be included, send e-mail to LISTSERV@MSU.EDU with the following, and only the following, in the body of the message:

SUBSCRIBE EDTECH [your name here]

IPCT-L

Interpersonal Computing and Technology sponsors this list. It is focused on Computer Mediated Communication and broadly on teaching and learning.

To be included, send e-mail to LISTSERV@GUV.M.CCF.GEORGETOWN.EDU with the following, and only the following, in the body of the message:

SUBSCRIBE IPCT-L [your name here]

MEDIA-L

MEDIA-L is a list that discusses media in education, kindergarten through high school, higher education, and workplace use of media for training and instruction.

To be included, send e-mail to MEDIAL@BINGVMB.CC.BINGHAMTON.EDU with the following, and only the following, in the body of the message:

SUBSCRIBE MEDIA-L [your name here]

NEWEDU-L

New Patterns in Education sponsors this list, which discusses all styles, media, and delivery systems and distance education.

To be included, send e-mail to LISTSERV@UHCCVM.UHCC.HAWAII.EDU with the

following, and only the following, in the body of the message:

SUBSCRIBE NEWEDU-L [your name here]

TRDEV-L

The aim of this training and development list is to create a community of scholars and practitioners in training and development by facilitating communications about issues, opportunities, and problems affecting the field in private, public, and government sectors.

To be included, send e-mail to LISTSERV@LISTS.PSU.EDU with the following, and only the following, in the body of the message:

SUBSCRIBE TRDEV-L [your name here]

You will receive an e-mail request from the [LISTSERV](mailto:LISTSERV@LISTS.PSU.EDU) asking for a confirmation of your subscription within forty-eight hours. If you have any problems subscribing to TRDEV-L, contact the TRDEV-L Manager (cxl18@psuvm.psu.edu)

UPDATE/EDUPAGE

Educom sponsors the EDUPAGE list, a short mail summary of educational computing issues, and the EDUCOM UPDATE list, a twice-a-month electronic summary of the organizational news and events.

To be included, send e-mail to LISTPROC@EDUCOM.EDU with the following, and only the following, in the body of the message:

SUBSCRIBE UPDATE [your name here]
SUBSCRIBE EDUPAGE [your name here]

WEBTRAINING-L

This is a moderated mailing list for those interested in delivering training over the Internet or intranet.

To be included in the weekly distribution, send e-mail with the subject or message "Subscribe WebTraining-L" to LISTMANAGER@BRANDON-HALL.COM.

WWWDEV-L

WWWDEV-L is a list that originates in Canada and serves academics and practitioners who are seeking answers to design and development questions related to Web-based training and online learning.

To be included, send e-mail to LISTSERV@UNB.CA with the following, and only the following, in the body of the message:

SUBSCRIBE WWWDEV [your name here]

Threaded Discussions, Notes Conferences, and Forums

The following discussions require that you open your browser and enter the URL to participate in the conversation. Some of the discussions may require that you establish a user name and password.

epss.com!

<http://www.epss.com>

epss.com! is a performance support and knowledge management forum. It is a virtual meeting space open to all to discuss topics of interest to performance support and knowledge management practitioners. Use this forum to post questions or provide information you think may be useful to your peers. Each month epss.com has a suggested topic for discussion.

Tech Learn Chat

<http://www.masie.com>

Tech Learn Chat is a moderated conference that offers participants an opportunity to post questions, share experiences, and explore trends in instructional technology.

WB TIC Discussion

<http://filename.com/wbt>

The Web-Based Training Information Center offers four discussion forums. The Open Forum provides a place to ask about Web-based training and Web-electronic performance support systems. The Design Forum explores instructional design, usability, and graphic design. The Jobs Forum is the place to post an open position or find a WBT job. The Developers Only Forum is for developers who want a virtual space to discuss tools and techniques of creating WBT and W/EPs systems.

TSS Discussion Board

http://www.trainingsupersite.com/tss_link/disboardset.htm

The Training Supersite board is a discussion group that covers the full gamut of training topics. The sponsors are eventually planning to spawn many targeted groups on specific "hot" topics. They have installed a search engine to help users quickly find comments posted by topic.

NovaTRAIN Forums

<http://www.onbusiness.net/cgi-local/netforum/training/a.cgi/1>

NovaTRAIN offers a forum for posting questions and answers; giving advice; and

discussing issues related to training and development. This site offers three discussion groups: Trainers' Peer to Peer Forum, Training and Technology Forum, and Human Resources Forum.