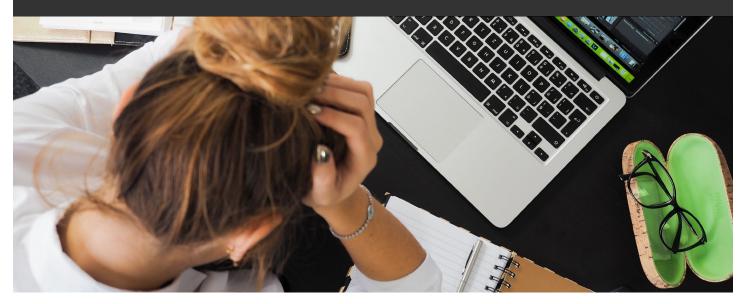# THE MORNING *LaTTe*

LaTTe's NEWSLETTER - MARCH 2023

The Learning and Teaching Technologies Advisory Group (LaTTe) provides connectivity between Senate Education Committee, ITDS, schools and academic units to identify and promote technologies that facilitate learning and teaching at Western.

Welcome to our monthly newsletter, and if you would like to know more or get involved, contact your LaTTe representative.

Learn2Learn

An initiative of LaTTe, Learn2Learn is an engaging and immersive self-paced module designed to help and support students in the development and enhancement of their self-regulated learning skills across online, flipped and hybrid learning environments. The Learn2Learn module has 39 bite-sized lessons around goal setting, planning, working with others, managing motivation, and learning at the university.

LaTTe was shown a live demonstration of the latest updates including a look at the rebuilt interactive modules.

This Autumn session, we are introducing a 'personalisation' feature enabling students to generate a personalised lessons feed or learning journey, based on their needs and challenges. Students can self-enrol into the module via: https://lf.westernsydney.edu.au/learn2learn/

For Instructors, the 'Embed a lesson' feature in Learn2Learn provides Academics/Instructors with the ability to choose lessons from the module and embed them in-line with their learning materials. This can be accessed via: https://lf.westernsydney.edu.au/embed-a-lesson/

For more information, contact Hermy Llacuna.

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LMS Update

Building blocks are being replaced by LTIs (Learning Tools Interoperability) in Blackboard. ITDS has reported on the current tools at Western that are affected by this and Turnitin is the most used tool that is subject to this change. Building Blocks for Turnitin will be switched off at the beginning of March 2023. ITDS is in discussion with the users of other tools that are similarly affected.

ITDS also reported that prior reported issues regarding Blackboard's Ultra Base Navigation (UBN) have been looked at and fixed, so rolling out the UBN will be looked at in the near future.

Policy and Guidelines

Videos are a powerful medium if done well. They can engage a student's visual and audio senses, increasing information processing. Besides being an engaging medium, video can display demonstrations and scenarios that would be difficult to showcase through still imagery, descriptive language or in a physical showcase. Instead, video uses all of these techniques to provide clarity and instruction on topics.

LaTTe are providing the final touches on the new set of guidelines: Creating Engaging Video. Within these new guidelines we are adding Generative AI as this technology is shaping how video content is produced.

Keen to know more?

Contact your **LaTTe representative** or
visit LaTTe's webpage.

Have a great day! From your colleagues on LaTTe.

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