

# THE MORNING *LaTTe*

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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 Enhancements

Hermey Llacuna, Johnny Yacolca and Shednacie Yi from the TEL team presented on the latest enhancements and features developed for [Learn2Learn](#), the engaging, self-paced module designed to help and support students in developing their self-regulated learning skills.

After feedback from LaTTe earlier in the year, the team designed and developed a **Favourites feature**, which allows students to curate their learning journey by adding lessons to their Favourites feed. This allows students to easily revisit or prioritise specific content, enhancing their overall learning experience.

Learn2Learn now embraces the **Learning Tools Interoperability (LTI)** standard for seamless integration with the Blackboard LMS. The

integration introduces several benefits. Instructors can now directly insert Learn2Learn lessons from within vUWS, eliminating the need to navigate to a separate website. This streamlines the content insertion process, saving time and simplifying the process.

The LTI integration also allows Instructors to preview lessons before inserting them into a vUWS site, and the ability to track and monitor student progress through the Grade Centre.

Existing embedded Learn2Learn lessons will continue to function as usual, but they will not benefit from the added convenience and insights that come with the LTI integration.

For more information about the latest Learn2Learn updates, please contact [Hermey Llacuna](#).

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## FeedbackFruits

**FeedbackFruits** is an assessment and feedback platform that offers users a variety of tools. Two of those tools; Peer Review and Group Member Evaluation, will soon be available for all staff to access.

**Peer Review** gives students the opportunity to provide feedback, a compliment, or a suggestion on other students' *submissions*. Instructors can also allow students to rate their reviewer, comment on the review or "upvote". Peer Review provides students with a platform in which to deepen their understanding and engagement through the process of self-reviewing their own submission, reviewing peer compliments / suggestions and commenting on feedback and self-reflection. Instructors can track progress through all phases of the review process.

**Group Member Evaluation** helps students develop teamwork skills. It provides students with the opportunity to provide feedback on other students' *skill sets or actions*. Students read the feedback received and can, if requested by the Instructor, write a reflection based on that feedback.

### Keen to know more?

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FeedbackFruits integrates with Blackboard through Learning Tools Interoperability (LTI), allowing Instructors to create content from within the LMS. These tools can be used individually but provide a more enriched learning experience when used together.

For more information about FeedbackFruits and the upcoming Proof of Concept, please contact [Rhoda O'Higgins](#).

## UBN Rollout

ITDS have submitted a communications plan and set 16 December 2023 as the rollover date for the UBN rollout. These have been approved by LaTTe.

## Student Views on vUWS

We have been conducting a survey of Western students about their experiences using vUWS. We need as many participants as we can get!

Feel free to share the following link with your students for their perspective:

<https://tel.optimalworkshop.com/questions/bblapp>