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## IdeaTools: Rapid Development Tools for Creating Interactive Multimedia - Enabled Courses on the Web

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- 6 "Idea Tools: Rapid Development Tools for
- 7 Creating Interactive Multimedia-Enabled Courses on the
- 8 Web" with Simon Ting, Jason Pitonik and Kathy Clark.
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- 10 HANK: My name is Hank Wallace and I am the

- 11 facilitator for this session. Our interpreters are
- 12 Gail and Joy and Christina. This session is Idea
- 13 Tools. Most of you already know since you already have
- 14 the handout. Simon Ting, Jason Pitonik and the easy
- 15 one, Kathy Clark. Our presentors, at the end of the
- 16 session, will have some time for questions and
- 17 answers. Also at the end of the session, if you will
- 18 please pick up an evaluation form or go to the learning
- 19 center and do the evaluation form. I would appreciate
- 20 it. They have asked me to remind you there is a
- 21 reception at 5 o'clock and it is included in your
- 22 admission to the conference. It is very nice and you
- 23 are all invited and all encouraged to attend. And now,
- 24 Simon.
- 25 >>SIMON TING: Hello. Can you hear me?

- 1 >>THE INTERPRETER: We have a request for the
- 2 interpreter to be standing closer to the signer.
- 3 >> SIMON TING: What is Idea Tools? It is a
- 4 web-based instructional development tools for managing
- 5 on line courses. Why do we want to go on line in the
- 6 first place? We are talking about the worldwide web
- 7 and facilitate delivery of, the web supports many

- 8 multimedia formats, such as stock wave, steaming video,
- 9 chem sketch, and math ML, formula, and CAD,
- 10 instruction. There is demand for on line courses and
- 11 distance learning growing rapidly. Learners in the
- 12 work place need to be able to take classes while
- 13 staying on the job. And also campus resident students
- 14 prefer on line courses for ease of access and hours in
- 15 which there is requirements.
- 16 There are significant barriers. This is a
- 17 course that was given 3 or 4 years ago. The course is
- 18 organization by section, as you can see. Each section
- 19 has its own diagrams, activities, class notes, sign
- 20 language vocabulary. All courses are developed in all
- 21 languages. You just have to walk into one of the
- 22 courses to see. Go in and run your course and
- 23 everything is there. It is not easy to do. In a web
- 24 design class, such as HTML for creating content,
- 25 programming skills for adding interactive
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- 1 functionality, and artistic and UI skills for visually
- 2 impaired and easy to navigate websites. And it is
- 3 labor intensive and you have to do it and it takes
- 4 months and you want to hand code everything and it

5 might take months and months. So we trade to augment

6 most of the courses so that everything can be done

7 quickly. Before I proceed --

8 >> A VOICE: What was that?

9 >> SIMON TING: I have no idea. We started

10 this as a gradual approach and work closely with some

11 instruction developed here at National Technical

12 Institute for the Deaf and our components that were not

13 created to the end user use was not involved in the

14 classroom. We have to define it based on feedback that

15 we get from the faculty. As a result Idea Tools has

16 been adapted to meet a wide range of teaching styles.

17 Also, designed for applications you saw that we started

18 working with video streaming and smaller size requires

19 requires not Internet band width. This allows you to

20 create and present information visually. You can

21 supplement written materials with images, graphics,

22 multimedia. It supports visual instruction for

23 learners and they like that.

24 And we learn English skills like that. And

25 it allows you to bring in tools and allows to you do

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1 many things. You don't to have use all the tools but

- 2 select the ones you want to use. And drop out the ones
- 3 you don't want to use. The first thing you notice is a
- 4 personal portal page, a place where people can come for
- 5 information about the professor like notes, and has a
- 6 course information and you can put links and other
- 7 resources you want your students to access. You can
- 8 open up files, resume's for other people to share with
- 9 other people.
- 10 This is my personal information about myself,
- 11 more information. These are the courses that are
- 12 created. I can set up a web forum so a student can ask
- 13 me a question and I can reply. Some information,
- 14 opinions, discussion to discuss with other students.
- 15 There is a mini announcement, a nice place to post
- 16 announcements. All this is generated by idea tools,
- 17 not coded by me. This is where we create a course.
- 18 You can work in group E-mail on my class and I can
- 19 select and combine them. So all students on the list
- 20 will receive E-mail, and I can unselect as well. I
- 21 want to touch files with my E-mail and I can do that
- 22 and I can review it and let them send response toss me
- 23 or not. If I want to, I can create an announcement
- 24 here. It allows you to schedule appointments.

25 Students can decide when they want to meet me.

- 1 To confirm our schedule I can send an E-mail
- 2 notification. I will show you how we can create a
- 3 course very quickly. This is an example I developed
- 4 especially for this presentation. You can see here
- 5 everything has been generated by idea tools. There are
- 6 different tools to work with and you will get
- 7 interactive functionalities, and questionnaires that
- 8 you can create a course calendar.
- 9 This has been generated very quickly. You
- 10 are able to organize your courses into sections. Each
- 11 section consists of subsections and each subsection has
- 12 other information. You can work with graphics. You
- 13 can work with word files. This is loading MicroSoft
- 14 Word and created in MicroSoft Word. You can also work
- 15 with PDA files. What we do is we create your course
- 16 material with Power Point, Word, Excel, PDA files. You
- 17 can bring them into the website. This system does not
- 18 have acrobat but it is a free program component that
- 19 can be downloaded very easily from the web. We don't
- 20 have time to download the components so that was the
- 21 faculty portal. The next part Jason will show you how

- 22 to use idea tools to begin the process in building the
- 23 courses. We have the component called course builder.
- 24 Jason.
- 25 >> JASON PITONIK: I will just show a brief

- 1 interaction on how to start creating a course. You go
- 2 into your faculty portal and you have a caption of
- 3 creating a new course. Now I'm going to go to the
- 4 tools to go here and you first select the course
- 5 builder. Everything is turned off automatically and
- 6 started up and you turn it on. It also -- the course
- 7 builder is easy to use, like breaking out a word
- 8 processor. It is set up with the files that you want
- 9 to create and what kind of files they are, and you go
- 10 through and upload files. What you put in can be
- 11 anything because it doesn't matter how you structure
- 12 it. It allows you to sort already. So teaching on a
- 13 week-by-week basis or unit by unit basis and you put
- 14 the material in one place and it allows you to set it
- 15 up however you are comfortable. I want to go through a
- 16 few web pages for example. And you save the outline
- 17 that you created and I guess it takes care of the
- 18 rest. Right here it would prompt me, if there were any

- 19 files that needed to be uploaded, it would be right
- 20 there. In this case it doesn't create blank ones that
- 21 you go and fill in later. Here are the two that
- 22 require folders with an outline and you click on there
- 23 and it opens up a menu with all the pages that are
- 24 dated and you click on line and you look at that and
- 25 edit it. If you want toes escape this outline that was

- 1 created, and it showed, and you want to copy that into
- 2 the site that I just created, it would speed things up
- 3 a little bit. You can see there are several files that
- 4 are not general files that were in that outline and you
- 5 upload them right here. I will take it out and deal
- 6 with them. This isn't guite where I expected it to be,
- 7 but I structured it. Here is a video and because I
- 8 didn't upload it yet, there isn't a full message that
- 9 says it hasn't been uploaded. And then when the
- 10 faculty person is ready to upload it, you can just go
- 11 in and do that and see the video instead of the
- 12 message. A few different views. This was the drop
- 13 down menu that I just showed where all of your files
- 14 appear in the drop down menus. Another option is table
- 15 of contents. Now you see the options on the side up to

- 16 here now, and you click on one of these and the content
- 17 is up here over there. Another option, if you want to
- 18 pick your own evaluation style, you can turn that off
- 19 all together. There is no navigation at all. You look
- 20 at files and take your own off. Now I'm going to
- 21 quickly show you how to do some simple editing with
- 22 this editor. Kathy will go into a little more depth in
- 23 a few minutes. I'm going to upload a syllabus style
- 24 that was created to show you how easy it is to bring
- 25 previously-graded content into visuals. Here is the

- 1 syllabus file. You can now go and do another page and
- 2 type in anything. You save it. When the student
- 3 enters a syllabus, you will see what was submitted and
- 4 it is automatic. No uploads has to be done. The last
- 5 thing I want to show is the cross calendar tools. You
- 6 date the calendar which you can then use for
- 7 scheduling, to store files. Here are classmates
- 8 already loaded on there. I will now turn it over to
- 9 Kathy and she will go into a little more in depth on
- 10 editing the actual content.
- 11 >> CATHY CLARKE: I will show you guys how you
- 12 look at the could be tent and the course program. Here

- 13 is the file I will edit. Right now I look at it
- 14 automatically with the file. It will go in and import
- 15 text file that we already created, and I will format
- 16 it. And upload it.
- 17 Here is some basic text, and now I can go
- 18 through and choose things with a subtitle so it is easy
- 19 to see. I can go through the whole thing but I will
- 20 quickly insert a graphic. So a format is based on how
- 21 you want to make it look. That gives you a quick idea
- 22 of what you can do. I will save it. The file name is
- 23 already there for you. And then you click on browse
- 24 and you see this. Now I will show you how to do, to
- 25 build a quiz, homework. So I will shut it off and
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- 1 click on a quiz. The quiz setup will come up whenever
- 2 you look for a guiz builder. You have the amount of
- 3 points, the number of questions add it to the grade
- 4 book and you can choose if you want to take it, and it
- 5 is automatically reviewed when finished. That's all
- 6 for that.
- 7 So we have some questions in the tech file
- 8 and I will import that quickly. I will pick one. I
- 9 will highlight my first question, and turn it into a

- 10 question. I will put the add in button for a
- 11 selection. I will do the same thing for number two.
- 12 You can also have fill in the blanks, true
- 13 and false questions. This question is to fill in the
- 14 blanks and I will keep the line you have there in a.
- 15 The last question involves an image. I will have that
- 16 cut out. I will look at these two words and mix them
- 17 up. So I will put a bunch of blank boxes and upload
- 18 this. Jason will show you the other quiz. This is how
- 19 it works for you and we will show you that. And I will
- 20 also guickly show you a homework assignment that we
- 21 created. You can go through and do whatever they want
- 22 and the instructor will go ahead and evaluate it on his
- 23 own. The homework is there and it grades
- 24 automatically. The instructor can evaluate it. I will
- 25 leave some blanks. But it is resolved. It tells you
- 10
- 1 what you got wrong and tell what you the right answer
- 2 is. Then it will automatically go into the grade.
- 3 That's it.
- 4 >> SIMON TING: We have to look at there
- 5 website, and if you would like to try out, you come to
- 6 there. You can go to this website. And you have my

- 7 E-mail. If you have any questions, send me an E-mail 8 and I will respond to your questions. Thank you all 9 for being here.
- 10 >>A VOICE: Where did you create the file of
- 11 correct answers for the quizzes?
- 12 >>CATHY CLARKE: I didn't get a chance --
- 13 >>A VOICE: Where did you create the file of
- 14 correct answers for the quiz?
- 15 >>SIMON TING: You have to look for the right
- 16 answers. Samples are here for all consumers and the
- 17 answers are there, and we separate it with a bar and
- 18 you do typing with a bar or herbivore or carnivore.
- 19 >>A VOICE: You create the quiz first and
- 20 create an answer key like a template for the answer?
- 21 >>SIMON TING: Each quiz is created with an
- 22 answer key and placed to the right of it, and you set
- 23 up the correct answer on the answer plate. And when
- 24 you finish typing or answer the quiz, the answer is
- 25 checked compared with the answer in the setup.

- 1 >> A VOICE: Can we use this website that you
- 2 have given us at no cost to us?
- 3 >>SIMON TING: Any idea will be happy to

- 4 support people that would like to experiment. I will
- 5 allow you to use and plus the cost of our server. Does
- 6 that answer your question? Voice what you mean is, we
- 7 can use this for no cost?
- 8 >>SIMON TING: It is free, no cost.
- 9 >> A VOICE: Where can I get a copy? Do I
- 10 have to download this from the web?
- 11 >>SIMON TING: It sits on our web server, and
- 12 you can use the tools on our web server. You can look
- 13 on our web server, and work there or your student can
- 14 access your materials and you can post your material on
- 15 our web server.
- 16 >> A VOICE: So we keep the rights of the
- 17 course or does in the TID now have the rights? Do they
- 18 assume the rights?
- 19 >>SIMON TING: My boss will explain to you if
- 20 you send me E-mail.
- 21 Hank we can't answer all the questions. We
- 22 are out of time. If you have individual questions, and
- 23 he also gave you E-mail address so that you can contact
- 24 him directly.
- 25 >>SIMON TING: I will send out to all.

- 1 Hank: I need to remind you that there is an
- 2 evaluation form at the door or you have electronic
- 3 evaluation form from the learning center to evaluate
- 4 this section. Thank you very much.
- 5 (Session concluded).