

Final Report  
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## Objectives to Accomplish by April 21, 2007

- To participate in Phase I of the migration of the course to the next version of Course Management Software at CCSF. The first group of developers to migrate will be instrumental in giving feedback to other online faculty at CCSF.

I am currently active in the pilot group that is migrating our online courses from WebCT to CE6. The group is learning how to use the newer software as we trouble shoot the system. We have identified key issues including “What is the best version of Java”, “How to determine the best method for migrating a course to the newer version of the software”, and ‘How to best upload files”. We got a later start than planned because of server problems, but we have had a productive if hectic two weeks trying to get our courses migrated. You can see my Physical Science Online Course on the new platform at

<http://webct0.ccsf.edu/webct/>

Login : cvc

Password: cvcjudge

- To create an improved orientation information page on my outside website, [www.ccsf.edu/dmarkham](http://www.ccsf.edu/dmarkham), in order to streamline instructions given to potential students.

I simplified the orientation instructions and made them more clear. For instance everyone is encouraged to attend an in-person orientation and guidelines are given for those who would like to skip the in person orientation. The syllabus, orientation instructions and calendar are all updated and available for next fall. You can see them at [www.ccsf.edu/dmarkham](http://www.ccsf.edu/dmarkham). All the links for calendars, syllabus, and orientation instructions, on all my websites, refer to the same documents that reside on my ccsf website. That way, when I make changes on a master copy and they are updated everywhere simultaneously.

- To print out and bind in a notebook the discussion board from last semester.

My binder is about 2 inches thick and has over 400 pages! It was quite a bit of work compiling all the messages, but I am very glad that I did it. I had it printed and bound at Kinkos. The easiest way I found was to create a zipped file and bring it to Kinkos on a disk. They printed it out and bound it while I waited. It is a very valuable reference tool for improving the course.

- To update the course content to reflect problems that the students reported on the discussion board.

I added many more feedback items in the quiz database. The feedback that I added were inspired by recurring misunderstandings and misconceptions that the students reported on the discussion board. I am convinced that this task is never completely finished! ☺

- To record a few more video demonstrations in content areas which are not addressed. This project is subject to available funds and personnel.

I was unable to complete this at this time.

- To rewrite the content summary for Chapter 33.

I wrote a summary for Chapter 33, which includes links to photograph from the Hubble Telescope and the general Nasa website. You can view the revised material at the current version of the website that I am teaching out of now:

<http://online.ccsf.edu>

login: cvc

password: cvcjudge

Or if you prefer, the same content is uploaded and viewable on the new CE6 site as well. I referenced that log in information above.

In conclusion, I have completed my goals that I set forth except for creating a few more videos. The personnel and funds were just not available this semester! I am sure that I will get to this when resources and time allow.

Thank you for doing your part to help us all learn to better teach online, update our websites, and explore new ways to teach!

Sincerely,

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