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Community Newsletter

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News and Events



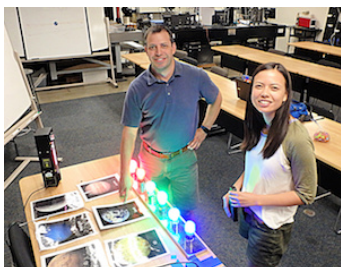
ASSETT Has Moved!

We have relocated to our new offices in Folsom Stadium (enter between Gates 4 & 5). Phone numbers have not changed. Mail can be sent to UCB 379. Watch for information about an upcoming open house to check out our new space.



Welcome Beth Osnes, Our New Faculty Advisor

An Associate Professor of Theatre, Beth brings to the position a long history of innovative and unique projects involving students, technology, and faculty from other disciplines, particularly environmental studies.



APS Instructors Illuminate Labs Using UDL

Rachel Bowyer is not just updating the 200-page Introduction to Astronomy lab manual; she's making the assignments accessible to students with visual impairments. Read about how Universal Design for Learning is helping her to intentionally design the curriculum, to support all learners.



Innovation Incubator Update

Budgets have been approved, and the ASSETT staff are initiating work on four cross-disciplinary projects. We're also hiring an "Innovation Catalyst" to provide support and coordination within and across project teams.



ASSETT Is Hiring for Student Positions

We seek [undergraduate Student Technology Consultants](#) to help Arts & Sciences faculty integrate technology into their courses. Applications are also being accepted for a [Teaching, Learning, and Technology Initiatives Graduate Assistant](#).



Metacognition: The Series That Gets You Thinking

The Student Technology Consultants have produced a four-part video series about metacognition to help students become more active and engaged learners. Instructors are invited to share the three-minute videos in class or include them in their course websites.

Columns

Letter from the Advisor

I believe in the transformative power of the classroom when activated through dynamic teaching methods, many of which can be supported through technology. I have learned a lot through the



years from the many ASSETT programs to enrich my own teaching and to grow as an educator.



Teaching Tip: Alternate Formats for Course Materials

SensusAccess is a FREE tool that allows students, faculty, and staff to automatically convert documents into alternate media (such as audio books, e-books, and digital Braille) and to convert inaccessible materials into accessible formats.

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