Looking ahead, I believe that the underlying importance of higher education, of science, of technology, of research and scholarship to our quality of life, to the strength of our economy, to our security in many dimensions will continue to be the most important message.

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Helping you find and use resources

Are you aware of the resources available to you as an instructional member of WNMU?

There are some “go to” places when you need an idea, have a problem, or want to see what is going on in a larger world.

From the WNMU home page, click on Faculty and Staff on the extreme top right. Then, enter the Faculty PORTAL (bottom of page). You can find issues of the Today’s Special and PORTAL Perspective, topical resources, exploratory SoftChalk modules (and an open course on how to build a course using Canvas), listing of training events on the main campus (and soon, a list of events accessible from branches), a To Do List for new faculty, some information for adjuncts, links to Quality Matters (online course standards), and a facility-wide Planner.

From the main WNMU home page, you can hover over the Online tab and choose Faculty Online Resources. There are Canvas training video tutorials, the approved online syllabus template, the Preview Page submission form (for the course catalog), and links to Canvas (and other) resources.

Digital Scavenger Hunt! Win Prizes!
Go on a scavenger hunt through the PORTAL webpages and be entered into a drawing for prizes! Scroll down to the bottom of the PORTAL Perspective page to find questions HERE!

OPEN NOW
The In’s and Out’s of Great Online Courses (Quality Matters Standards)
Learning-Centered Teaching (book required – How Learning Works: Seven Research-Based Principles for Smart Teaching)

COMING
Course Redesign from Head to Toe (March)
Tools, Tips, and Tricks for Great Presentations! (April)
Using Student Learning Outcomes to Revitalize Your Course (Summer)
Assessment Savvy (Fall)

IN YOUR SPARE TIME...

Have you thought about taking a self-paced online course to help you in instruction and assessment?
PORTAL offers free online courses, in which you can discuss issues with colleagues, learn about cutting edge trends in higher education, improve instruction, and investigate technology tools. If you are interested, you can get three credits for the course.

Just let me know you are interested and I can enroll you!

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If you have any requests for resources and features on the PORTAL site, please contact me through WNMU email!