

SHIELD project - First steering group meeting

SPS Rm 731

Tuesday 30 July 2002 9am.

Attended: Bryan Turner, Darin Weinberg, Tom Davies, Dawn Leeder, Kathy McGuire.

Sociologies of Health and Illness E-Learning Databank (SHIELD)

"an interdisciplinary collaborative project to create a databank of e-learning resources to support teaching and learning in sociologies of health and illness."

Items discussed:

Reusable Learning Objects (RLOs)

"Each resource explains/explores a 'stand-alone' concept or idea"

We agreed to develop the new materials as reusable learning objects. These are stand-alone chunks supporting a single learning objective and consist of content, activity and assessment. DL will put descriptors of RLOs on website

Selection of materials

Kathy has started and is going to conduct a thorough review of the existing site, and will catalog sections suitable for RLO development. She will also note sections that require updating or altering. Once RLO candidates are identified, Kathy will also add references, bibliographies, glossary terms, web URLs - any additional resources that will add value.

Additional material

Bryan and Darin to identify additional subject areas that require resource development. The RLO specification and support notes documents (attached) will help the development process - any queries please call or email me.

Other contributors

We have three external subject experts (of which we probably need two) to work on some additional material. Decided we wait and see where the gaps are.

Iterative development

Review to continue for a two-month period til end September (2 days per week). Development of RLOs will commence on August 12 with Kathy's first visit to DL. DL to set up project website which will house all documentation (such as this) as well as the resources.

Date of next meeting

Tues 3 Sept 2pm SPS 731