The Next Generation of MERLOT Learning Activities: Pedagogy in Action



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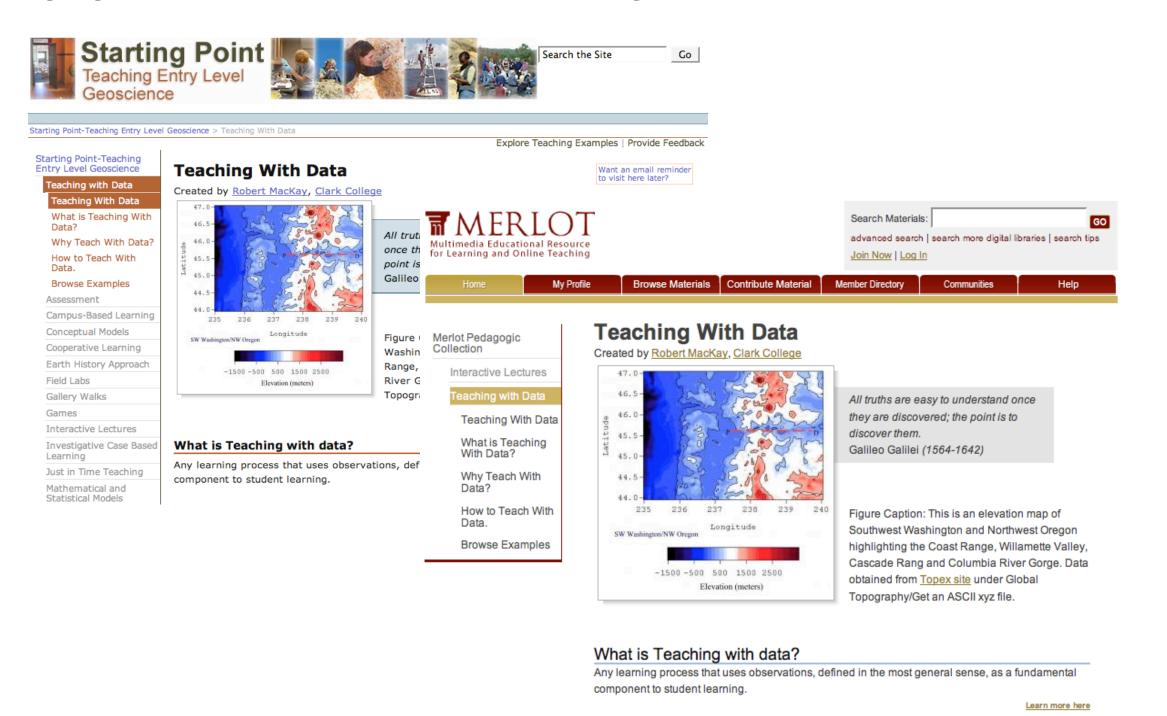


MERLOT has partnered with SERC's Pedagogic Service to integrate information about effective teaching practice into MERLOT Community Sites.

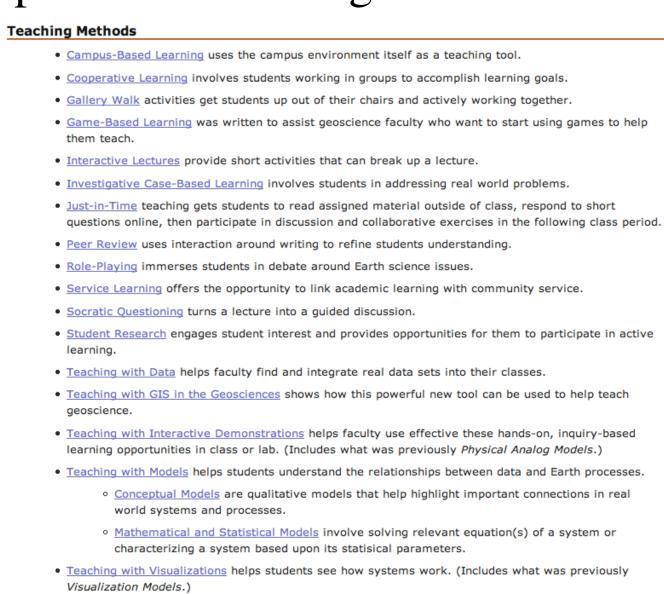
Integrating within partner sites:

Information about effective teaching practices...

• Customization services allow partners to seamlessly integrate pedagogic content into their existing website.

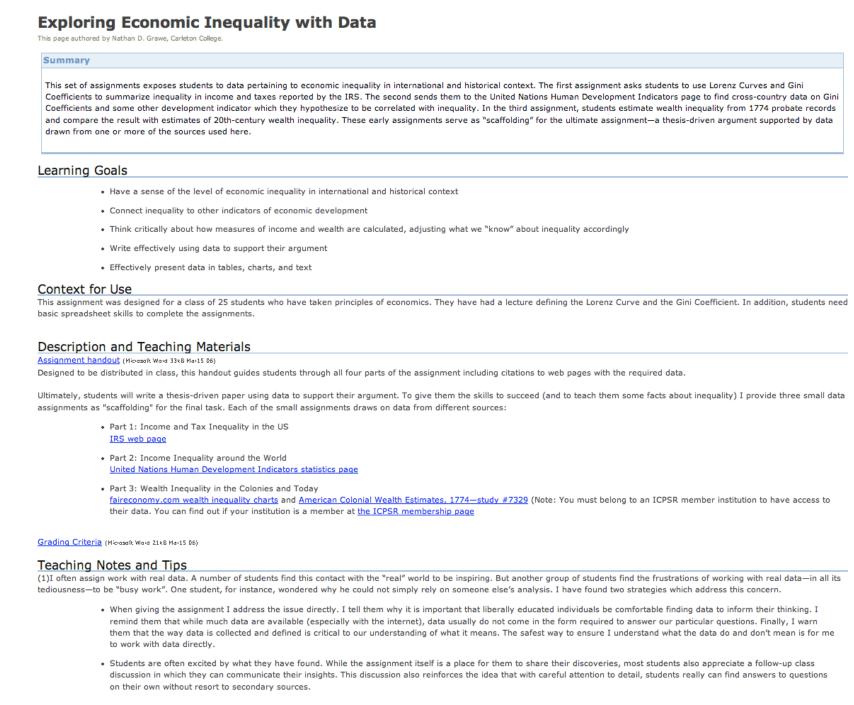


• Partners can draw from, and contribute to, a growing library of pedagogical content: 17 modules, each describing the what, why, and how of a particular teaching method.



...intimately tied to a customized collection of activities...

- Each pedagogic module includes a collection of teaching activities that exemplify the pedagogy. Partners choose the set of activities most relevant to their audience.
- Pedagogic information, including tips for use and adaptation, intimately linked with each teaching activity, to guide faculty from what they seek to what they need to know.
- Activities draw from and build on existing resources in the partners' collections and serve as a bridge between the partners' collections and pedagogic guidance.



Based on a proven model: http://serc.carleton.edu/introgeo

The intellectual model for the pedagogic service portal architecture is described in D-Lib magazine in a paper chosen for the 2006 best paper award by the Geoscience Information Society.

http://www.dlib.org/dlib/may05/fox/05fox.html



...with guidance and tools to engage your community

- Guidance on leading workshops that catalyze community interest in sharing teaching activities.
- Tools that support on-line submission and development of activities and pedagogic information.

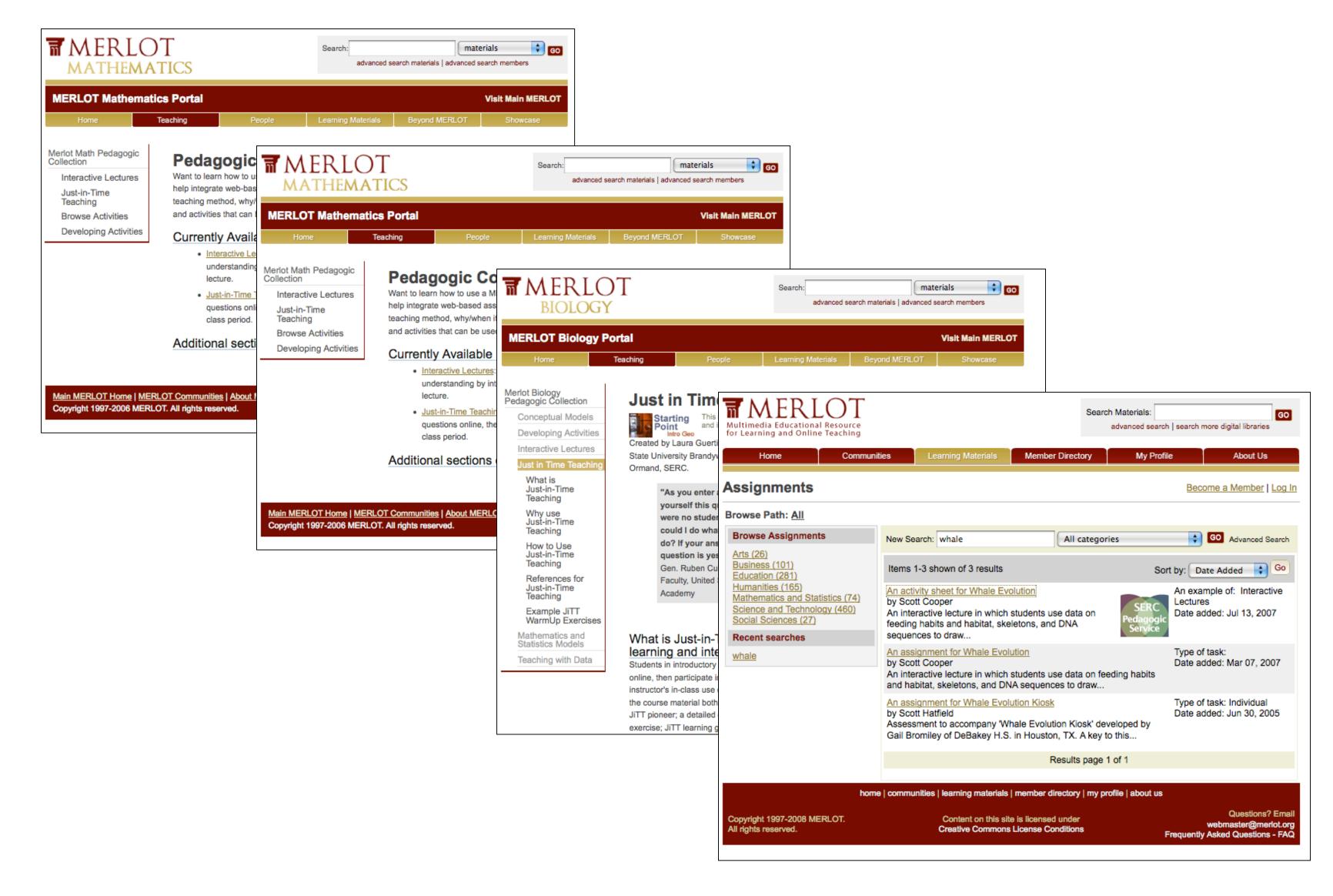




Current MERLOT Community Partners

Interactive Lectures

Three MERLOT Communities: Biology, Physics and Mathematics are currently engaged in integrating the pedagogic service into their community portals.



The related activities are also integrated into the main MERLOT assignment collection.