The Path to Desire2Learn

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Why Change?

- Blackboard acquired ANGEL in May 2009
- Bb announced that ANGEL would cease to exist as a separately supported product in October 2014
- Need to provide Faculty with 2 years lead time to convert courses
Path to Desire2Learn

• College faculty representatives
  – Nominated by Deans
• Special meetings with vendor representatives
• Special access to the sandboxes for Bb & D2L
• Talked with colleagues
• Provided “Typical” workflows
• Met 3 additional times
  – 2:1 Preference for D2L
  – Could accept either LMS
• Special thanks to these faculty!
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Concerns for a New LMS

- Accessibility  (D2L?)
- Administration  (Bb)
- Analytics  push
- Conversion  (Bb?)
- Gradebook  (D2L)
- Mobility  push
- Pricing  (Bb)
- Support  push
- Usability  (D2L)
Path to Desire2Learn

• Gathered data from other Big-10 universities

• Considered Faculty 2:1 preference for D2L

• Considered Imputed Faculty Time and Cost for “Typical Workflow Tasks”

• Selected Desire2Learn
Implementing Desire2Learn

• Training
  – Working on details training program
  – Will have sessions at Faculty Seminars at the end of Fall and Spring semesters

• Course Content Conversion
  – Working with vendor

• D2L Available for Faculty Testing
  – Late October 2012
Desire2Learn Availability

• Spring 2013 Courses
  – Phase 1 “Limited Integrations”
  – Faculty Access Late October 2012
• Summer 2013/Fall 2013
  – Phase 2 “Complete Integrations”
  – Faculty Access Late April 2013
• More information is available at
  – http://tech.msu.edu/d2l/
ANGEL

• Continued Use & Support through Spring Semester 2015

• Faculty can decide when they want to convert their course content

• ANGEL will NOT be available as of Summer 2015
Questions?