

What's needed? Software

Each PC needs to have the following software installed before the start of the event :

- Windows (preferably XP)
- Microsoft Office
- MindManager 2002 Enterprise Edition
- HotPotatoes (registered licence)

In addition, the participating institution should provide a minimum of 50Gb of server storage space, to enable access to stored resources and to act as a repository for the completed learning sequences.

Catering

Institutions will need to provide lunch for participants and facilitators over the two days, plus coffee/tea facilities in morning and afternoon breaks.

The RSC will provide :

- Staffing for the duration of the event, to deliver training and facilitate workshop sessions.
- All printed course materials.
- A dedicated e-Olympics website for participants prior to, during and after the event. This will provide background information on the event, details of the schedule for each of the two days and options for follow-up activities to support staff in their development work after the event has finished.
- Enthusiasm and expertise.

Cost of the Event

The e-Olympics is supported by the Scottish Further Education Funding Council's eMerge initiative. The cost of the event will therefore be covered by this, and **the only expense to participating centres will be to cover the cost of catering and accommodation during the two days.**

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planning, resourcing, creating
online learning objects

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What's the 'e-Olympics'?

The e-Olympics is an integrated online learning training programme developed by the JISC Regional Support Centre for Scotland North and East. Aimed at front-line lecturing staff of further or higher education subjects, the programme is designed to guide participants through the stages involved in planning, constructing, resourcing and delivering a learning sequence in their own teaching areas.

The e-Olympics: what does it involve?

Through a mixture of introductory and hands-on sessions, participants will :

- **Discover** the pedagogical principles behind the concept of 'learning objects'
- **Identify** an area for object development, drawn from their own teaching experience
- **Build** the framework for the object in a systematic and structured manner
- **Tackle** the issues of student interactivity and accessibility
- **Create** resources to support the delivery of the learning sequence, drawing on a mixture of original material and pre-prepared learning assets from existing repositories
- **Package** the object on completion, ready for use on its own or within a VLE

Before the opening ceremony

Participants should be familiar with basic PC operation using Windows and with Microsoft Office, especially Word and PowerPoint. They should come to the training sessions with a piece of teaching material (a specific course, unit or outcome relevant to their own teaching area) which they want to explore as the basis for online development.

After the torch goes out

Staff will have had hands-on experience of planning and creating a learning sequence, and will have produced the basis for a piece of learning which can be used online with students, either directly or within the College VLE. They will be familiar with the range of on-line

resources produced by JISC to support learners and will have had experience of integrating these with material which they have developed themselves.

How long will it last?

The event is designed to be run over two consecutive days, from 10 a.m. until 5 p.m., with the added possibility for participants to work beyond the 5.p.m. finish into the evening of the first day, if required.

What's needed? Personnel

If you would like the e-Olympics to run within your own institution, you will need to ensure that a minimum of 20 participants, and a maximum of 40, can attend. Technician support will be required for the initial set-up of equipment and software, and on-call for support for the duration of the event.

Participants need to commit to attending on both days and need to arrive at the event having identified a specific teaching area to work on in developing their learning sequence. They should also bring along at least three learning 'assets' to be used as resources for supporting the delivery of the sequence (these could be images, sounds or text files).

What's needed? Accommodation

Participating institutions need to supply suitable accommodation for the event to run successfully. The types of accommodation required is:

- A lecture theatre space, which can be used to bring all of the participants together for joint presentation sessions. This needs to have internet access together with appropriate digital screen projection facilities.
- Workshop spaces with an internet accessible computer for each participant.



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