Synthesizing and Envisioning

CIRCL: The Center for Innovative Research in Cyberlearning
June 2013
Welcome to your meeting
CIRCL • Who is included?

- **Inner CIRCL**: Cyberlearning: TE

- **Expanding CIRCL**: Related projects in DRK-12, elsewhere in NSF, and beyond

- **CIRCL of Influence**: Opportunities for impacts in policy, practice, or products
CIRCL • Blending F2F a online

A special welcome to our online participants!

At the January 2012 Cyberlearning Summit, we had 150 face to face participants, and 450 webcast participants. Both had good experiences.

We want to try new things to blend online and F2F participation:
• Webcasts
• Opportunity for virtual participants to meet each other
• Online birds of a feather sessions
• Fireside Chat with Janet
• Virtual town hall meeting
About CIRCL

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New Center to Accelerate Collaborations

The Center for Innovative Research in Cyberlearning (CIRCL), led by SRI International in partnership with EDC and NORC, seeks to maximize the transformative potential of NSF-funded projects in the emerging field of cyberlearning, a field that seeks to integrate emerging technology capabilities and learning sciences insights to address the pressing needs to increase learning in science, technology, engineering, and mathematics. CIRCL will organize leaders from research and innovation projects funded by NSF to identify synergies among approaches and to synthesize findings. Learn more about CIRCL.

Building on the 2012 Cyberlearning Summit
CIRCL • Overall Purpose

Seeking to maximize your potential by

1. Nurturing community among projects & investigators

2. Addressing common needs

3. Amplifying our voice
CIRCL • What we will do

1. **Convening**: meetings like this, plus working groups...

1. **Brokering**: helping connect investigators and projects (and newcomers) to knowledge and resources

2. **Synthesis and Web Site**: creating a public space to highlight contributions and build community

3. **Portfolio Analysis**: Marianne to discuss

4. **Sharing Data**: Needed by NSF and others
We are just at the beginning and welcome your ideas!

e.g. Town Hall Meeting tomorrow.
CIRCL • What is a Synthesis and Envisioning Meeting?

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Because it isn’t a PI meeting.

No posters, or presenting projects to each other...
CIRCL • Synthesis and Envisioning Meeting

PURPOSE

To understand who we are, what we know, and where we need to go.

THIS IS A RAPID PROTOTYPE OF A MEETING

Combining community building (Plenaries, Big Idea Circles, Networking, Meet the Projects, Birds of a Feather) with a focus on advancing the intellectual work (Timeline, Driving Questions, Open Issues, Opportunities, What’s Next?)
CIRCL • Models

Over time, the community may develop models of

- Learning with technology
- Based on sound theory
- Building on the human richness of learning
- Supporting engagement within and across settings
- What’s important to learn now.
CIRCL • Outcomes

Some ends in view today...

- Find partners to take your ideas to the next level...
- Plan an AERA symposium submission (due July 22)
- Start a working group
- Design a special issue
- Start working on a workshop for ICLS (due November)
- Shape our community
CIRCL • Future Meetings

This is just the beginning...

• January 2014: Silicon Valley Meeting
• June 2014: Cyberlearning Summit II (likely with ICLS)
• January 2015: Synthesis and Envisioning II

plus.... technical working groups, gathering and sharing project reports, facilitate special issues & symposia, coordinate Hill visits