Magic with Moodle

Layout, navigation and images

From staff in Schools around the University
Background

- To make Moodle look interesting
- To improve navigation for students
- To improve the student experience of Moodle
- To provide alternative ways to present information
What we did

• Add the block **Module Navigation**
• Add an image, a Wordle\(^1\) or a Prezi\(^2\)
• Use images for navigation

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\(^1\)**Wordle** – a way to create visual word maps of a piece of text or important concepts (wordle.net or tagxedo.com

\(^2\)**Prezi** is an alternative to Powerpoint with unusual zooms and transitions
This module will introduce you to the key issues and approaches at stake in the study of culture, film and media in preparation for the third year dissertation. The module will introduce key moments in the research process including defining a research question, planning a programme of primary research, integrating primary and secondary research and managing a large research project. Alongside this, staff will introduce students to specific ways of researching culture, film and media including using archives and documents, discourse analysis, visual analysis, questionnaires and ethnography. Towards the end of Semester 1, you will be able to sign up to one of several field trips, led by staff members. These field trips will explore the potential of practical field research for exploring culture, film and media as lived experiences.

The module will take the form of weekly workshops. The workshops will consist of a lecture from a member of staff with expertise in that week’s area, followed by a series of tasks based on that lecture.

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**Module Timetable:**
- **Semester 1:**
  - Lecture - Monday 3pm-4pm POPE C14
  - Workshops - Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays
- **Semester 2:**
  - Lecture – Wednesday 9am-10am LASS B62
  - Workshops - Fridays
Welcome to Beginners Russian!

Seminar Registration

- Russian Beginners Timetable
- Please see all available classes for this module using the link above.
- Each of you have to attend 6 hours of classes per week:
  a) 2 hr lecture (Monday 16:00-17:00, Fort C27)
  b) 1 oral class - (Thursday, Pope A25)
  c) 3 workshops on three different days (1 hr x 3)

Quick links:

1. Lectures
2. Oral Classes
3. Interactive Activities
4. Recordings
5. Exams


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Welcome to Magic with Moodle

This is a space for all staff using Moodle to find out more about Teaching with Moodle, get support, share information and discuss with colleagues.

You can drop in whenever you like and pick out the topics which are most relevant to you. Much of the content is based around case studies of ways in which staff around the University have used Moodle.

Announcements / Latest News

Start here!

Starting to use this course

Help & Support

Nottingham's Moodle Help site [in Workspace]

Frequently Asked Questions

In this course - quick links

- Migrating your Content
- Adding Content
- Layout and Navigation
- Managing People
- Assessment
- Collaboration
- Advanced Moodle Tools
- Tips, tricks and timesavers

Chill Out Zone

This is your space - for general questions and chat.

Chill Out Zone
How it worked

- Students overwhelmingly request clear navigation
- Provide ways to navigate when students are new to the module and want a lot of introductory information and help with navigation

AND

- Support for students after they have become familiar with the module and just need to get quickly to the important places
Tips and recommendations

• Start simple
• Don’t make the images too big or overdo it with too many
• Keep graphics discreet and useful to students – should fit with the overall University / Moodle design
• If students have to scroll every time they visit the page, they will get frustrated!
• Use the blocks available such as Module Navigation
• Keep any embedded items such as Prezi or video to a minimum
• Just a few on the front page or it will take too long to load…
Further information

How to achieve this

• How to add an image to a Moodle label, page or other text area
  https://workspace.nottingham.ac.uk/display/Moodlehelp/How+to+add+an+image+to+a+Moodle+label%2C+page+or+other+text+area

• How to get images ready for Moodle
  https://workspace.nottingham.ac.uk/display/Moodlehelp/How+to+get+images+ready+for+Moodle
Learning Team Support

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Moodle Help: bit.ly/uonmoodlehelp

(or search Workspace for “Moodle help”)