

Starting Point Pedagogic Services: Linking Pedagogic Information to Library Resources Across the NSDL

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The Starting Point Pedagogic Services project allows institutions and digital libraries partners to integrate information about effective pedagogy into their websites.

The service is built on a core of set of pedagogic modules each of which describes the what, why and how of a particular teaching method. Each pedagogic module is combined with a collection of teaching activities that exemplify that particular teaching method.

The service allows our partners to create a customized version of this information: with a graphic look-and-feel that integrates with their existing website, and with a set of teaching activities appropriate for their particular audience. Standardized interfaces allow our partners to seamlessly integrate this pedagogic perspective into their existing sites and collections.

This poster demonstrates implementations of the service in the CAUSEweb statistics education library, the COMPADRE physics education library, the Microbial Life Education Resources library, the biology and math community portals in MERLOT, and Perlman Center for Learning and Teaching website at Carleton College. These partners have contributed new modules on Quantitative Writing, Spreadsheets across the Curriculum and Collaborative Learning; bringing the total collection of modules to 27. They have also created 78 new teaching activities that are now available for all service users.