

Welcome

Welcome to all our delegates for the 5th International LAMS & Learning Design Conference held at the Macquarie Graduate School of Management, Sydney, Australia on December 8th & 9th, 2010.

We were again pleased at the response to the call for proposals and the special focus given to "Sharing Great Ideas" with Learning Design. The variety of papers and presentations in the program should provide an interesting conference for all delegates. As with our previous conferences, we hope to make slides and audio recordings available after the event to provide a record for those who could not join us in person at the time.

We are pleased to welcome Gregor Kennedy as a Keynote Speaker – Gregor has many years of experience with e-learning design and implementation, and will be sharing with us his excellent new research on student responses to collaborative e-learning tasks. This theme complements the recent work of our second Keynote Speakers, who are part of a team working on student-authored Learning Designs at Caringbah High School. Taken together, these two keynotes should provide a fascinating insight into new ways to use LAMS and Learning Design that foster active engagement with students in the teaching and learning process.

A special thank you once again to the Review Committee for giving their time to assess presentation proposals and to peer review submissions for the conference proceedings. We gratefully appreciate their time and very thoughtful comments. Special thanks to Leanne Cameron for leading the organisation of the conference from both academic and practical perspectives, to Renee Vance for her tireless logistical and practical support and to Macquarie University (on behalf of the LAMS Foundation) for support.

We hope you have an informative and enjoyable time at the conference, and look forward to interesting discussions and collaborations in the future!

Professor James Dalziel

on behalf of the Conference Organising Committee

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