Digital District Launches in Lampros Hall

The Digital District provides coordinated teaching and learning spaces equipped with innovative technology, tools and support services to empower faculty, staff and students to build a culture of digital fluency and creative exploration. The Stewart Library and Lampros Hall are the core of this district with spokes extending throughout campus. These creative solutions and spaces will inspire faculty who want to better utilize technology in their teaching. The district fosters an environment where people can consume information, collaborate with others and create content. This is essential to prepare students for workforce demands that require critical thinking by equipping them with skills in creative problem-solving.

Did you know?

As I begin to look ahead at potential jobs, I’m grateful for the digital fluency skills I have been able to learn in my undergrad. Many employers list skills and proficiencies with these programs as standard requirements for their workplaces.

Porter Lunceford, WSU creative writing student

WSU Recognized as Adobe Creative Campus

Weber State University became an Adobe Creative Campus in February of 2021. We are now part of a select group of colleges and universities that are driving the future of digital literacy within the global higher education community. This distinction recognizes top institutions that are dedicated to transforming education through creative digital empowerment. By increasing access to digital literacy, this partnership with Adobe allows Weber State to set a higher standard in academia and lead the future of education.

As an Adobe Creative Campus, WSU faculty, staff, and students have full access to Adobe Creative Cloud, a set of applications and services that gives users access to a collection of software for graphic design, video editing, web development, photography, and much more.
In August, the Teaching and Learning Forum teamed up with Academic Technology Services, Communications, Events, Training, and Education (CETE) and WSU Online to offer a digital learning experience unlike any other.

Gathering in Lampros Hall, part of the Digital District, new faculty worked through a series of challenges and training opportunities designed to give a taste of what the Digital District and Adobe Creative Cloud have to offer in higher education.

The Creative Academic Technology Solutions team worked with CETE to develop the Twilight Zone themed introduction to the experience which set the tone for the entire day. Teams were then formed and the groups went to work in the various resources in the building. Classroom Technology Services, the IT Service Desk and Academic Web Services also served as hosts and subject matter experts and guides through the event.

The event was documented and the resulting video shared with the Adobe reps and the response was incredible. They were very pleased to see the use of the tools and software to increase the potential student engagement and to create meaningful experiences in higher education—both for the instructors and for the students.

Click the image below to see the video of the event.

I would say Out of this world AWESOME!!! I am in awe of what you are all doing at Weber. Your dedication to your faculty and student outcomes, your creativity, and your enthusiasm is inspiring! This video has made my day, week and month! I so enjoyed collaborating with all of you and look forward to the next opportunity to work with you all again.

Donna Caldwell
Sr. Solutions Consultant – Education | Adobe

We really enjoy hearing about your deliberate Creative Campus program across multiple areas of the university.

Steven Watson
Sr. Customer Success Manager | Adobe

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