From: Carlyn Chatfield <cchat@RICE.EDU>
To: <ITCOMM@LISTSERV.EDUCAUSE.EDU>
Date: 7/29/2009 3:04 PM
Subject: Re: [ITCOMM] Mobile apps?

Carlyn Chatfield wrote:

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Rice U. is currently researching mobile apps.
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Possibly roll out mobile Rice U campus map app.

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The home page for Rice's IT web site is being formatted for mobile devices.

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From: "Carl F. Flynn" <Carl_Flynn@BAYLOR.EDU>
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To: <ITCOMM@LISTSERV.EDUCAUSE.EDU>
Date: 7/29/2009 4:07 PM
Subject: Re: [ITCOMM] Mobile apps?

I don't know that I can say we plan it, but many pages work on my
Blackberry. Some work but don't look that great.

Biggest problem I have is passwords. We require at least one symbol and
even the qwerty keyboards can make that a difficult task - such as when
logging into our portal on a mobile device.

I have asked our Director of Web Content about the web sits our office
doesn't handle. Hope to hear back soon and will let you know.

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John Martin - Re: [ITCOMM] Mobile apps?

From: Kevin Reeve <Kevin.Reeve@USU.EDU>
To: <ITCOMM@LISTSERV.EDUCAUSE.EDU>
Date: 7/30/2009 10:59 AM
Subject: Re: [ITCOMM] Mobile apps?

On 7/29/09 4:39 PM, "Kyle Johnson" <johnsonke@GUILFORD.EDU> wrote:

> So now there is some 22 year old kid who's a VP
>at Blackboard trying really hard to change the entire corporate
>culture. '-)

Awe yes! I met these guys at the booth they had for them after the announcement. Full of energy and spunk. The apps they have developed for other institutions are really cool.

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From: Kyle Johnson <johnsonke@GUILFORD.EDU>
To: <ITCOMM@LISTSERV.EDUCAUSE.EDU>
Date: 7/30/2009 3:58 AM
Subject: Re: [ITCOMM] Mobile apps?

On Wed, Jul 29, 2009 at 6:07 PM, Kevin Reeve<Kevin.Reeve@usu.edu> wrote:
> The web apps they have are really cool. However a couple of them would not be hard to build. Some college students with programming knack could whip them out in a few months.

Some college students with programming knack did knock them out.
TerriblyClever Software was founded by a small group of Stanford
students less than a year ago (or maybe a little more). Then they got
bought by Blackboard. So now there is some 22 year old kid who's a VP
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We don't inherit the earth from our parents.
We borrow it from the children.

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John Martin - Re: [ITCOMM] Mobile apps?

From: Kevin Durkin <kdurkin@USC.EDU>
To: <ITCOMM@LISTSERV.EDUCAUSE.EDU>
Date: 7/30/2009 1:22 AM
Subject: Re: [ITCOMM] Mobile apps?

The web services folks in the central IT organization here at USC are implementing a starter version of mobile.usc.edu. You can see it now from an iPhone or other smart device. They are finishing some of the items but a lot of it works now. They plan to have the starter version fully functional by the start of school this fall, and then they will continuously add to it.

Best wishes,

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At USU we do not have any current plans for Mobile Apps. Many would like, but we do not have the financial or personnel resources after budget cuts to go there.
I do have the iphone/iPod SDK on my laptop, and I have been learning a bit.

Building web apps for these devices is really easy. We have success even using the iPhone safari with many of our sites, but you can build some alternative sites using the iphone templates for web apps.
the Native apps are another story and not difficult to do, but you have to have real programmers for those.

I was at the Bb conference and saw the roll out of their new Mobile.EDU company they just purchased.
The cool thing about what they have to offer is they will have some open APIs so you can continue to develop your own iPhone apps if you want.
The draw back is it is a yearly fee type model, and according to the info I could glean is cheaper if you have some products already?
My card was scanned at their booth and my Bb account rep, contacted me like two days later with information.

The web apps they have are really cool. However a couple of them would not be hard to build. Some college students with programming knack could whip them out in a few months. Some others will be more difficult to build as they require integration with the course catalog and ldap system to get information. Requires a server to aggragate the data for the iphone to access.

Last year at EDUCAUSE I attended several sessions by Institutions that had developed their own apps.
We may see more there this year. Some really cool stuff.

Kevin

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