EduCat in the Composition Classroom

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Who am I?

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What is EduCat

- Moodle-Based Course Management System
- Customized for NMU by CITE
- Fully integrated into the existing NMU network architecture.
- See CITE or Tom Gillespie @ tgillesp@nmu.edu

Benefits of Educat

Centralization of course content for instructor and student

- Assignments
- Journals
- Rubrics
- Course Schedule and Syllabus
- **NEW** Workshop Feature

Easy tracking of assignments

- Customized to fit your late assignment policy.
- Students stay aware of their progress.

24/7 Availability for students and instructor

- No forgotten paperwork.
- Reduce your printing overhead.

Students stay aware of grades and assignments.

- Gamification of class.
- Encourages pushing for the better grade.

Caveats and Warnings

Requires significant pre-planning and preparation.

Your students will hold you to your schedule.

Laptops in class can cause issues

- Dealing with distractions.
- Set-up polices to combat abuse.

 $Grading\ configuration\ is\ not\ intuitive$

Limited Customization

- Customization vs. Accessibility
- There has been a lot of improvement.

Why do I use EduCat?

Questions?

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