



ALT-C 2010: Jorum Learning & Teaching Competition

The Jorum Learning & Teaching Competition will again run in conjunction with this year's [ALT-C conference](#) in Nottingham, 7-9 September. The panel of judges will be looking for exciting, innovative learning and teaching resources that have been created under a [Creative Commons](#) licence to showcase at the conference. Overall winners will be presented with their prizes at the ALT-C 2010 Conference Dinner on **Wednesday 8th September**.

If you create learning and teaching resources, either individually or as a team, you are eligible to enter.

The criteria on which the resources will be judged, and details of how to enter, are listed below.

The closing date for entries is **Friday 25th June 2010**.

JUDGING CRITERIA

The criteria against which resources will be judged are:

Appropriateness: What is the teaching/learning problem that your resource has been designed to solve and how does it achieve its objectives?

Engagement/Innovation: What makes your resource something that other teachers/students want to use? Does it offer something that other media can't?

Effectiveness: Is your resource an effective way for teachers/students to learn? Each submission should demonstrate how it could be embedded in teaching and learning, and how it could add value to any teaching environment.

Reusability and portability: Digital learning objects are particularly valuable when they are reusable and reconfigurable. Many different aspects may be reusable including, structure, content or pedagogical approach. In addition, how is the object described (metadata) and how is it put together (packaged)?

Note that the criteria are all about education and not about technology. Sometimes the most appropriate, engaging and effective learning and teaching resources are technologically simple.

However, sometimes technology allows approaches to teaching and learning that were previously unimagined.

HOW TO ENTER

- All entries are to be submitted into [JorumOpen](#), which can be accessed via Federated access.
- All entries to be created under a [Creative Commons Licence](#).
- All entries must be tagged with the keyword: **Jorumcomp10** and have appropriate metadata included.
- If you currently have resources already deposited into JorumOpen that you would like to submit as an entry, you must add the competition tag: **Jorumcomp10**. A [simple guide](#) is available to show you how to edit the existing metadata, and a [useful short video](#), which can be found in JorumOpen.
- If you require help depositing your resources into JorumOpen, we have a step-by-step [vidcast](#) available, which demonstrates all you need to know. Alternatively, contact support@jorum.ac.uk.
- All entries should be submitted in a way that allows them to be portable and usable independently of their original development environment.
- No individual may be named as the creator on more than three submitted resources
- Judges will rank their top ten resources, which will then feature on the [Jorum Community Bay](#) to allow for additional public voting. A combination of the judge's choices and votes from the public will determine the six final winners, based on a weighted scoring system. Further details on how to vote will be released on the **19th July 2010**.

- The final six winning resources will be asked to present their resources at a special Jorum session at ALT-C (date and time to be confirmed).

PRIZES

There are three cash prizes and three commended awards available. Each winner will also receive a certificate.

1st place: £300

2nd place: £200

3rd place: £100

Commended: £20 Amazon voucher

The six winners will be notified by **9th August 2010**. The top three prizes will be awarded at the ALT-C 2010 Conference Dinner on **8th September**. The three commended awards will receive their prizes at the Jorum session at the conference.

JUDGING PANEL



James Clay has been ILT & Learning Resources Manager at Gloucestershire College since November 2006. He is responsible for the VLE, the use of learning technologies, e-learning, mobile learning, the libraries, digital and online resources and the strategic direction of the college in relation to the use of learning technologies. For the future, James hopes that institutions and others will allow for a flexible, personalised, accessible learning experience for all.

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Sarah Darley, Learning Technologist on the NHS Management Training Scheme Programme and part of the Manchester Business School e-learning team. She is also a holder and assessor of CMALT. Previously Sarah worked at the University of Derby on the JISC-funded POCKET project,

which explored the opportunities for creating, sharing and reusing open learning resources. POCKET aimed to build upon the Open University's OpenLearn approach by extending it to other HEIs.



Lou McGill is a consultant in eLearning and information management. Her professional interests include learning literacies, curriculum design, institutional transformation and the sharing, management and use of learning resources. Lou previously worked as a Programme Manager of the JISC eLearning team, and has more recently worked on the Good Intentions study on business cases for sharing learning resources, the Learning Literacies for a Digital Age study (LLIDA), JISC Curriculum Delivery Programme (synthesis) and the JISC/Academy UK Open Educational Resources UKOER Programme (synthesis and evaluation).

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Russell Stannard is a principal lecturer at the University of Westminster. In 2009, he was awarded funding from JISC/HEA to develop a series of Open Educational resources for the University of Westminster known as www.multimediatrainingvideos.com, which offers free training videos in using multimedia tools like Director, Flash, Dreamweaver and many others. This followed on from his work on www.teachertrainingvidoes.com, which won him awards from the Times Higher and the British Council, and has become one of the largest OER resources for training teachers on the internet. He is an advocate in the world of sharing Open Educational Resources, and regularly promotes the benefits they bring upon release.



Hiten Vaghmaria is the Service Manager for Jorum. He has joined the team following several years managing the development of a variety of services for the BBC, in areas such as learning, music and sport. Before moving into management, he worked in content production for new media, radio and TV. He maintains a keen interest in user experience and interaction design.

ELIGIBILITY

1. This competition is open to everyone within the UK. While it is expected that most entries will be from the UK Higher and Further education communities, entries from other education sectors are welcomed.

2. Learning and teaching resources may be submitted by individuals or teams (in which each member should be named). No individual may be named as the creator on more than three submitted resources.

3. All learning and teaching resources submitted to the competition should be deposited in JorumOpen; have a Creative Commons licence attached, and appropriate metadata included, aiding the judging process. We will accept links deposited into JorumOpen to an externally hosted resource, on the condition that they are truly reusable objects (i.e. they can be moved from its existing location) and have appropriate metadata attached when linking to the location of the resource.

4. Those who wish to enter and do not have access to The UK Access Management Federation (<http://www.ukfederation.org.uk/>) should contact louise.egan@manchester.ac.uk for details on how to enter.

5. Entries are nominally limited in size to no more than 50Mbytes. This limit may be adjusted upwards at the discretion of the judges.

6. All entries should be in English.

7. It is expected that for the six final shortlisted entries, a member of the creating team will attend the ALT-C conference in Nottingham to demonstrate the learning and teaching resource during a showcase event. The top three winners will be asked to attend the conference dinner on the 8th September, where prizes will be awarded.

8. The six finalists will be notified by **9th August 2010**.

9. No correspondence will be entered into, other than queries relating to submission of entries. These should be directed in the first instance to louise.egan@manchester.ac.uk with **Jorum Learning & Teaching Competition** as the subject line.

TIMETABLE

Closing date for entries: **Friday 25th June 2010**

Shortlist of entries announced on the Community Bay: **Monday 19th July 2010**

Closing date for public vote: **Friday 6th August 2010**

Six finalists to be notified by: **Monday 9th August 2010**

Winner and runners up announced at ALT C: **Wednesday 8th Sept 2010**