

Orientation to EarthEd Online Summer 2003 Team Workshop

Welcome to the EarthEd Online Team workshop. I appreciate your effort to get here from long distances and I especially appreciate the expertise that you are bringing with you to share with us.

I have set up a web site for this group at:

<http://oceanography.geol.ucsb.edu/Collab/Index.html>

From this web page, you can link to the workshop documents and a threaded discussion forum. I hope that you will register for the discussion forum. I think the forum will work best if you set your user configuration to receive forum posts by email. This way, you will get an alert when forum activity occurs. Of course, you can turn this off any time you want.

Goals:

By the end of the workshop, I would like to receive a written list of recommendations. It will be most useful if it is prioritized on a 3 point scale, with 3 being the highest priority. Level 3 would be essential, level 2 would be desirable, and level 1 would be in the “good idea” but not immediately required.

The recommendations could be authored by each of the discussion groups, or individually. I have allowed fairly generous discussion time to arrive at the recommendations.

Collaboration:

This project is being configured to make it easy for others to add modules. NSF supports this kind of project. Programming support can be provided by New Media Studio, if needed. I have also proposed a more extensive collaborative development project that needs a leader. I am booked solid and cannot take on another project, so am inviting anyone who is interested to take the lead. The proposed project is described very briefly in the “Vision for the Future” portion of the workshop documents.