Announcement

“Online camp” on Universal Design for eLearning (UDeL): supporting inclusive teaching, learning and assessment
12 - 16 April 2021

Have you been considering how the coronavirus pandemic will affect the diversity of students? Higher education institutions throughout the world are currently going through enormous upheaval due to the coronavirus pandemic, having to moving most of our work online. This affects teaching, assessment and administration and is raising many issues.

Have you been considering how all these changes will affect the diversity of students – students with disabilities, students from different cultural groups and different economic backgrounds? With so many decisions to be made at the moment, it is easy to forget these issues. However, the current situation also offers new possibilities for supporting a wide range of students in ways that we have not done before.

Learn and share your thoughts and experiences at “online camps” arranged by the TINEL project

The Erasmus+ funded TINEL project is running a series of free “online camps” about Universal Design for eLearning (UDeL), looking at how we can support the widest possible range of students in higher education, in eLearning and blended learning contexts. The emphasis is on how we can make the teaching, learning and assessment experiences as inclusive as possible for the widest range of students. The first camp took place face-to-face before the coronavirus pandemic, but the second and third camps were moved online, which we believe make it even more relevant to our teaching and learning situation.

Bring a case to the next online camp 12 - 16 April

The next camp will take place 12 - 16 April, with online meetings for an average of 4 hours each day, including breaks, individual work and online social activities.

We will have participants from higher education institutions in Finland, Norway, Sweden and the UK. The camp will include informational sessions about best practices in UDeL, as well as practical and discussion sessions. All participants will be asked to bring a case, a particular problem they are facing in their institution in relation to inclusive (e)Learning, and there will be opportunities both during the camp and afterwards to work on these issues with other participants.

You can listen to some of the participants talk about their experience of the first UDeL Camp in these subtitled videos:

- Lotta: [https://youtu.be/FPHWLcXwk1s](https://youtu.be/FPHWLcXwk1s)
- Lars: [https://youtu.be/f8vQKmy7rsM](https://youtu.be/f8vQKmy7rsM)
How to apply to the online camp and more info about the TINEL project

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