Class Management Tools

Communicating and collaborating with students; Putting your course on the web

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Course Management Systems
Residential MITx

The Residential MITx, in contrast to the MIT's "Beyond Campus" initiatives is a platform, based on open edX, for the authoring and distributing online course content.

Stellar

MIT's course management system provides a secure framework to support teaching and learning at MIT. It features:

- Ready-to-use website
- Class materials management
- Homework management
- Schedule with integrated academic calendar
- Section setup and management
- Easy communication with students
- Membership management and access control

For more information:

- IS&T Educational Applications
- helpdesk@mit.edu
- 617-253-1101
- Submit a web request

SloanSpace

SloanSpace is no longer supported as a course management system. See Stellar above.

Course web lockers

Course lockers are Athena shared directories that can be used to store class materials, datasets, or specialized applications which can then be accessed or run from Athena workstations. Course lockers can also be used to serve web pages under web.mit.edu.

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- IS&T Athena User Accounts
- 617-253-1101
- accounts@mit.edu
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MIT OpenCourseWare (OCW)

MIT OpenCourseWare (OCW) presents an opportunity for you to find open educational resources created by your colleagues at MIT for use in your own courses, and to extend your impact by sharing your own course materials and teaching methods with the world. You’ve invested many hours in preparing and teaching your MIT residential course. Our baseline publication process for faculty requires very little from you beyond what you have already done. To begin, please contact us at ocw@mit.edu or 617-253-7913.

- MIT OpenCourseWare
- MIT OCW Educator

Communicating with Students
Class email lists

Athena mailing lists can be populated with official Registrar's student lists (from WebSIS) to support class communications. Athena lists can also be used to control access to Athena course lockers.

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Registrar's lists

WebSIS Registrar's lists of registered students. Available to instructors and departmental administrators.

For more information:
- SSIT
- websis-notify@mit.edu

Instant Messaging

As an alternative to teleconferencing and email, instant messaging has been growing in popularity. MIT hosts several of its own instant messaging services, and members of our community often use both MIT and commodity services.

Wikis

Wikis and similar collaborative applications have come to be standard workplace and educational tools. IS&T offers wiki spaces to groups via a centrally-managed wiki application.

For more information:
- IS&T Educational Applications
- helpdesk@mit.edu
- Submit a web request
- Request a new wiki space

About this page:

Stellar (MIT's course management system), class email lists, course web lockers, OCW, Instant Messaging, Blogs, and Wikis

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