

Desire2Learn



Desire2Learn eLearning Platform The industry wanted something better. We delivered.

Enabling Award-Winning Online Education

The Desire2Learn platform will empower your institution with an intuitive, learner-centric eLearning environment where technology blends seamlessly into the background, allowing you to focus on the learning experience. Our system will exceed all of your expectations for usability, customization, enterprise extendibility, and educational experience. We deliver fast-paced innovation through intense R&D and customer feedback. The result is an exceptional LMS with an easy-to-use interface and minimal learning curve, allowing you to get started quickly and adapt with ease. Our commitment to usability, pursuit of best practices, award-winning technology, and services will bring success to your ongoing eLearning initiatives and keep you in a leadership position.

Customizable Design, Branding, and Pedagogy

An eLearning platform should not dictate your approach to teaching and learning. It should be tailored to your needs, desired look and feel, philosophy, vision, brand, and pedagogical approach. You will be amazed at the difference it makes for your organization and your participants!

With Desire2Learn, you can fully customize:

- ✓ Brand image, philosophy, pedagogy
- ✓ Navigation bars, page layouts, and personal home pages
- ✓ Font sizes, colors, pictures, buttons, language, and layouts for all tools and interfaces
- ✓ Intelligent user-driven interface preferences and accessibility
- ✓ Unlimited organizational units, roles, and tool-level security policies
- ✓ You can even build your own tools using the D2L Widget Designer

No other online platform gives you this much freedom to create a unique experience for your students. The quality and reputation of your institution is built upon a unique approach and philosophy to teaching and learning. Your learning technology should be no different.

Community Interaction and Collaboration

Collaboration with members of your online community enriches the learning environment and improves learner results with:

- ✓ Interactive self-assessments and polling tools
- ✓ Built-in email, chat, and instant messaging
- ✓ Discussions integrated with document sharing
- ✓ Group and personal document management
- ✓ Calendar, news, and update tools
- ✓ Campus and program portals
- ✓ Assignment management system with elaborate feedback tools

This sense of community brings life to your case studies, group projects, and discussion forums – students will get more involved!

Feature-Rich Quizzing System

Desire2Learn offers a wide range of tools and functionality, including the most powerful quizzing system of any LMS on the market. Our versatile quiz engine allows efficient creation of formative and evaluative assessments using many question formats:

- ✓ Multiple-choice
- ✓ Fill-in-the-blank
- ✓ Matching
- ✓ Long answer
- ✓ All other standards question types
- ✓ Plus the ability to create custom question types

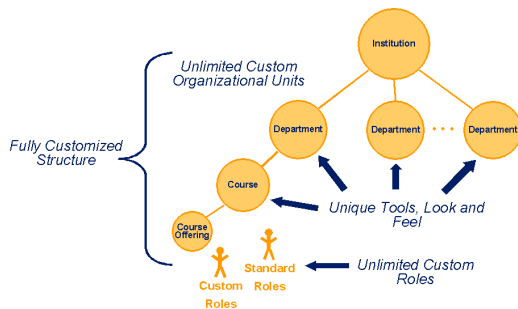
Many questions of various formats and difficulty levels can be stored in streamlined question repositories, thus permitting instructors to share questions and to randomize the questions used. Coupled with straightforward yet detailed results and feedback, instructors can evaluate students in a fair, secure, and creative manner. This saves instructors' valuable time.

Scalable from Course to Consortium

When it's time to break the boundaries and move beyond traditional course structure, Desire2Learn gives you complete control of the eLearning hierarchy. Under one installation, each of your institutions, departments, and courses can share content, templates, branding, user roles, and more. Or, each can have distinct attributes – the decision is yours.

Where other learning systems limit your organizational structure, Desire2Learn allows for an unlimited number of custom organizational units and user roles with security profiles for every program you offer. We are very unique in this respect!

This is visionary: we give you complete control. The result is the perfect solution for your current and future needs, even for the most demanding courses and institutions.



Total Course Management

Make life easier for your instructors and administrators.

The Desire2Learn system includes:

- ✓ Learning object repository
- ✓ Easy-to-use content authoring tools
- ✓ Elimination of repetitive administration tasks
- ✓ Simple content upload and download tools
- ✓ Standard and custom templates
- ✓ Ability to copy course structure quickly for a new offering

You will be delivering course content in a fraction of the time taken by other systems.

"It is my job to know what is going on in online learning. I have seen a lot in the past few years. [The D2L Solution] is by far the most solid that I have seen. The learning environment they create is logical, seamless, flexible, and innovative..."

Rick Nigol, Manager, Distance Education and DE Learning Technologies, University of Guelph

Award-Winning Services to Build Strong Relationships

At Desire2Learn, we work hard to build close relationships with our clients. Becoming your lasting educational partner ensures our mutual success.

A combination of great system architecture and innovative approaches to client feedback allows us to respond very quickly. Client requests soon become new features; no more waiting until the next release for changes! Our clients benefit from innovative R&D projects that keep them positioned as educational leaders.

Further relationship building occurs with the full portfolio of services Desire2Learn has to offer. Our knowledgeable and friendly staff can work with you to answer questions and help improve your system. Let us help you with:

- ✓ Instructional design
- ✓ Course and content development
- ✓ Support and consulting
- ✓ ASP Hosting

Desire2Learn's end-to-end services can help lift the weight off your shoulders and allow you to focus on the learning experience!

Commitment to Open Standards

An online learning system should not be standalone. Through the use of open APIs and adherence to industry standards, the D2L platform can seamlessly integrate with many systems in your organization, including but not limited to:

- ✓ Student information and authentication systems
- ✓ Library systems
- ✓ IT administration and human resource systems
- ✓ Email, calendar, and portal systems
- ✓ PDAs and wireless devices

Desire2Learn's commitment to open standards bridges the gap between systems. It streamlines your learning tools and reduces overhead. Plus, it gives you the ability to share and reuse content easily with other institutions. Interoperability with content from other providers and organizations facilitates future growth and system adaptation.

Contact Us to Learn More

Contact a D2L representative today for information and ask about our live demonstrations and pilot projects.