OWL-Space: An Overview

What is OWL-Space?

OWL-Space is a virtual workspace designed to promote teaching and learning, as well as collaboration between members of the Rice University Community. The goal of OWL-Space is to bring together services that will enhance the professional activities of Rice faculty, students and staff.

These services include:
* Collaboration and Course Management Systems [CCM]
* Instructional Media Management Systems [IMM]
* On-line personal workspace

The Collaboration and Course Management aspects of OWL-Space are powered by an open-source package called Sakai.
The Integrated Media Management aspect of OWL-Space will be powered by MDID and is currently in pilot phase on campus.

What can I do with OWL-Space?

As an instructor, OWL-Space can be used for the following:
1. A repository for course information, schedules, announcements and syllabi
2. Moderating course discussions, notes and resources
3. Creating online assignments, quizzes and tests
4. On-line student grade book
5. Creating learning modules for your students
6. And more

As a researcher or collaborator, OWL-Space can be used for:
1. Discuss ideas, proposals, and publications with fellow collaborators both on and off campus
2. A central document repository
3. Calendar
4. Mailing List
5. And more

How do I get started?

To find out more about OWL-Space, please visit http://owlspace.rice.edu or email sakai@rice.edu.