

## Have You Discovered MERLOT?

MERLOT ([www.merlot.org](http://www.merlot.org)) is a free, web-based resource and community designed to help you find online teaching and learning materials quickly and easily. It is a continually growing catalog of online teaching tools and support resources that help you enhance your instruction. MERLOT is also an active community of people like you, who strive to enrich their teaching and learning experiences with technology.

The **MERLOT** Collection contains over 20,000 Teaching Learning Materials in:

- Arts
- Business
- Education
- Humanities
- Mathematics
- Science and Technology
- Social Sciences

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### MERLOT Can Help You...

- Find the right online materials and advice faster with our improved browsing and with more peer reviews than before.
- Find experts and peers in the online teaching community through our expanded member services.
- Personalize MERLOT services so you get the resources and communications you want.
- Share your expertise easily, and build relationships with peers who value your expertise.
- Participate in building a free and open educational community for the world.
- Receive recognition for your contributions to the MERLOT community.

### FIND Teaching and Learning Materials by...

- Searching the MERLOT collection and other digital libraries to find specific peer reviewed materials for your classroom.
- Browsing the collection to see what is available in your discipline.
- Looking for specific types of materials from our collection of:
  - Animations
  - Case Studies
  - Collections
  - Drill and Practice Exercises
  - Journal Articles
  - Learning Object Repositories
  - Lectures/ Presentations
  - Online Courses
  - Online Textbooks
  - Quizzes/Tests
  - Reference Materials
  - Simulations
  - Tutorials
  - Workshop and Training Materials



*"I have great opportunities to share outstanding teaching-learning modules with colleagues, to be kept informed of new and innovative online materials, and to have a sense of community within my own discipline."*

— Kylie Hsu, Associate Professor, CSU Los Angeles

The image shows two overlapping screenshots from the MERLOT website. The background screenshot is titled 'Personal Collection Detail View' and shows a list of items with a 'Contribute A Material' form overlay. The foreground screenshot is a 'Member Profile' for Cathy Swift, Director of MERLOT Academic Partner Services. It includes her contact information, affiliations (California State University System), and a list of her MERLOT contributions such as 'Submitted Materials (2270)', 'Editorial Materials (2)', and 'Comments (4)'. It also lists her skills and interests, including Business-Marketing and International Marketing.

## PERSONALIZE your MERLOT Experience

- Customize your Personal Profile.
- Contribute your own course materials and share them with others.
- Create a Personal Collection of your most frequently used MERLOT materials.
- Use your Personal Portfolio for annual review, promotion, tenure, and job searches.
- Create an RSS feed for your own webpage.

## PARTICIPATE in MERLOT

- Make use of the MERLOT community portals to find more discipline-specific resources.
- Contribute online learning assignments for use with MERLOT materials.
- Submit Member Comments and assignments about materials.
- Become a Peer Reviewer for one of our 19 Discipline Editorial Boards.
- Participate in the Virtual Speakers Bureau by sharing your expertise with others, or inviting a speaker to your own class.
- Connect with colleagues by searching the Member Directory.
- Contribute an article to MERLOT's, *Journal of Online Learning and Teaching (JOLT)* <http://www.jolt.merlot.org/>
- Come to the MERLOT International Conference to meet others who share your teaching values <http://conference.merlot.org/>

The image shows the 'MERLOT Teacher Education Portal'. It features a search bar at the top, a navigation menu, and a main content area with several featured articles. The articles include 'The Teacher Education Editorial Board designed this site to help instructors understand how to use MERLOT materials in their classes', 'The Teacher Education Editorial Board helps MERLOT grow by contributing materials and adding assignments and reviews', and 'Beyond MERLOT, you can find connections to Teacher Education professional associations'. The page also includes a 'What's New in MERLOT' section and a footer with copyright information.

## Get Started Now with MERLOT

- Go to <http://www.merlot.org>
- Click on the Learning Materials tab at the top of the page.
- And, now, why not become a MERLOT Member? <http://www.merlot.org/merlot/join.htm>

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