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Using E-Res to facilitate On-line Collaboration

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What are we talking about?

ERes: Electronic reserve system developed by Docutek Information Systems

On-line: Using the Internet to communicate

Collaboration: Working together

What are the benefits to using the ERes system?

1. To facilitate on-line discussions

2. Provide a place for electronic portfolios

   (password protected)

3. Allows for asynchronous communication between course

   instructor and students

4. Allows for information sharing between course   instructor and
   students

5. Gives instructor the ability to post course announcements

6. Allows course instructor to make relevant course information,
   required readings, syllabi, scoring guides, etc. available

What are the drawbacks to using the ERes system?

1. Time intensive

2. Learning new software

3. Students must submit assignments electronically

4. Hardware issues

Features of the ERes system

Chat room option

Discussion board option

Links to education resources

Posting of various types of files

Course announcement function

Provides hotlinks to the Internet

Provides links to hard copy items in the library

Provides for original documents

What's next?

We will look at a couple of ERes pages I created for my courses this semester

We will use the ERes system to create a course homepage from scratch to see how user-friendly the program is

Any questions before we begin?