



Reflections II: Teacher Intern Support

University of Saskatchewan

Objectives for Innovation

Multimedia CD-ROM, with web-based resources

Intended Audience

Education students preparing for teaching internships

Results Achieved

Interactive multimedia instructional materials and support for the teaching internship experience
Includes links to world wide web resources
Customized for participating institutions
Flexible format to accommodate newer technologies and program changes

Partners

University of Regina

Implementation

September 1998

Additional Benefits

Educators from other countries interested in adapting materials for their own internship program
Commentary on issues facing teacher interns and demonstrations of teaching design principles praised by professors and intern supervisors
Content and ease of use praised by student teachers

Reflections II builds on a prototype to provide multimedia instructional materials to help Education students prepare for their teaching internship.

The interactive CD-ROM contains video clips of personal interviews with four interns in rural, urban, elementary and secondary settings, at different stages of their internship period. The interviews offer personal accounts of what to expect, how to cope, factors to consider, and the importance of reflecting on the entire internship process. These materials are designed to answer basic questions for students as they prepare for their teaching internship. Supplementary content is also provided for pre-internship students and the teachers who work with them in the schools.

Other universities can use the CD and add the web address for their internship program to a database. Users link to a web site in the CD, connect to the database, and browse or search the list of institutions for their own program.

By capturing the experiences of past interns, Reflections II helps to prepare future students for a successful, meaningful internship experience. Schools and teachers use the CD to prepare for working with their interns, thereby increasing the likelihood of a positive experience for everyone involved.

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