

**eLCC Challenges: Celebrating National Distance Learning Week
Thursday and Friday November 9 - 10, 2023
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Hello Everyone,

National Distance Learning Week is next week from November 6 - November 10th. This is celebrated nationally by the US Distance Learning Association (USDLA) which will have free virtual sessions all next week <https://usdla.org/2023-ndlw/>.

eLCC will also be celebrating on Thu Nov 9th and Fri Nov 10th - with 2 sessions each day called the **eLCC Hackember Challenges**. These design challenges ask you as a learning designer, educational technologist, online educator and technologist for the public good to contribute to the conversation and maybe even the solution. (It is of course free, virtual and open to everyone!)

There is a morning challenge and an afternoon response/discussion.

On both Thursday and Friday, we'll do a 9 am MT Morning Show. This will be issuing the challenge and also a general discussion of the state of learning design. We will follow up with a response to that challenge during a 3 pm MT Afternoon Show.

Thursday November 9

9 am - 10 am MT

eLCC Morning Show

- Hackember Challenge #1
- Zoom Link: <https://uccs-edu.zoom.us/j/91814217063?from=addon>

Facilitators: Brandon Pouillot, Donna Hall

Challenge/s:

With the rise in usage of artificial intelligence tools, many can be utilized to speed up the course development process. But how do we do this ethically and model the ethical use of AI in our work for students? Choose one or challenge yourself with all three!

- A. Using AI tool(s), compose a syllabus statement that outlines your course's policy for the use of AI.
- B. Generate several informational (or decorative) images for use in your course.
- C. Using AI tool(s), synthesize a few assignments with instructions or discussion prompts that correspond to your learning objectives and/or your favorite [taxonomy of learning](#).

Resources:

[Watch an instructor use AI to generate content](#)

[How Students Use AI](#)

[AI and Academic Integrity](#)

3 pm - 4 pm MT
eLCC Evening Show

- Report out on Challenge #1/Show and Tell
- Zoom Link: <https://uccs-edu.zoom.us/j/91678058131?from=addon>

Facilitators: Brandon Pouillot, Donna Hall

Friday November 10

9 am - 10 am MT
eLCC Morning Show

- Hackember Challenge #2
- Friday Morning Zoom <https://ucdenver.zoom.us/j/93965512366>

Facilitators: Kae Novak, Diana Montealegre, Chris Luchs

Challenge:

With the passage of [HB21-1110](#) in Colorado and similar legislation in other States, there has been an increased scrutiny on the accessibility of all facets of online educational content. As more colleges have adopted OER materials, one of the main channels of delivery for this content is PDF. Our challenge is: How can we quickly remediate PDF materials for accessibility through automation such as scripts, macros, or other techniques?

- A. OER Remediation - How do you remediate PDFs through automation
- B. Email/Letter to CDHE and/or CDHE OER on remediation

Helpful resource links:

[HB21-1110](#)

[Accessibility Fundamentals and current WCAG standards](#)

[PDF Accessibility Tips and Tricks: The University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill Digital Accessibility Office](#)

3 pm - 4 pm MT
eLCC Afternoon Show

- Report out on Challenge #2
- eLCC Afternoon Zoom <https://ucdenver.zoom.us/j/99547383054>

Facilitators: Kae Novak, Diana Montealegre, Chris Luchs