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**MOODLING ALONG WITH LIBRARIES-SUPPORTING FLEXIBLE ONLINE  
DELIVERY IN TAFE NSW**

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TAFE NSW is Australia's biggest vocational education and training provider, training over 400,000 people each year in a wide range of courses-whether it be on campus, in the workplace, online or through distance education. The development of online training solutions for flexible delivery and in particular for the delivery of training in the workplace, has been one of the major strategic directions recommended in the 2008 report, TAFE NSW: Doing business in the 21st century.

In support of these recommendations, Moodle, a learning management system, has been widely used in TAFE NSW as an online teaching tool to support flexible delivery. Moodle allows teachers to upload course notes, general information, assignments, assessment tools such as quizzes and questionnaires and can be used as a general online communication tool which allows individual as well as communal discussion.

As Moodles are increasingly used as a one stop shop for teaching and learning, particularly for students studying online and in the workplace, there was an increasing need to provide access to customised and carefully selected learning resources which would support course content and could be integrated with the Moodle.

Sydney and Illawarra Institute libraries worked with several teaching areas to develop a product customised to individual course needs, using Spring Shares- Libguides software, an online web 2.0 tool. This versatile software is also being used in support of information literacy programs. The resulting product delivers a complete library support service by providing access to specific resources for a course, and includes study help, access to relevant databases and the catalogue, eBooks, video clips and other media utilising a range of web 2.0 technologies.