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TELucation throughout the years

20 Years of the OU Educational Technology at TU Graz



You can find more information on the history of the OU Educational Technology in the category Higher Education, in the article #01 Organisational Unit Educational Technology (LLT) Part 1.

Today's Organisational Unit Educational Technology (OU LLT) at TU Graz was founded in 2006 as the working group "Networked Learning", at that time still part of the department Central Information Technology.

Although a lot has changed over the past 20 years, both in the field of technology and the organisation, the general goal of the OU LLT has remained fairly constant: expanding technology-enhanced teaching and therefore implicitly optimising technology-enhanced education for students.



The focus is on high-quality implementation, strongly shaped by the idea of providing a service for all members of the university. In doing so, LLT follows the mission statement of the Vice Rectorate for Academic Affairs: a high-quality, innovative and international study environment across the entire student life cycle.

TELucation: from a printed collection folder to a digital point of contact

This mission runs through all offers within TELucation – the aim is always to support teachers in their digital teaching with a high-quality, well-prepared service.

2018 TELucation (short for Technology Enhanced Learning and Education) started in 2018 as a project within the OU LLT. The first goal was to provide teachers with a kind of expandable booklet on e-learning.

This gave rise to the idea of an expandable collection folder with a collectible sticker for each article – and so TELucation was born, carried by the slogan:

"Let me TEL(L) you about eEducation"

2019 In 2019, the first articles were produced and handed over personally to institutes and deans' offices.

What are TELucation articles?

TELucation is a collection of articles by the OU Educational Technology on practical technology-enhanced learning and teaching (TEL) at TU Graz. Each article takes up a topic, a tool or a development that may be relevant to your own teaching – clearly presented, openly licensed and updated when needed. TELucation is therefore not a finished work but grows along with developments in digital teaching.

2020 Since then, TELucation has developed continuously: in 2020, the TELucation website went online to make the articles available as digital versions – partly because of the Covid-19 pandemic. Since then, the articles are no longer exclusive to owners of a TELucation folder but open and freely accessible to everyone. The printed TELucation folder is still available at all institutes and deans' offices of TU Graz, and it is also awarded as a personalised folder to people with special roles at TU Graz, such as Teaching Experts or Senior Lecturers.

2021 Shortly afterwards, in addition to the TELucation articles that offer inspiration for your own teaching, step-by-step guides for tools and platforms supported at TU Graz were added to the website. In 2021, this was followed by a new website design and the switch to the CC BY license, making it even easier for teachers and other service units to reuse TELucation content.

2022 Finally, in 2022, the podcast "Lehren – Lernen – Lauschen" followed, in which members of TU Graz talk about their (digital) teaching.

In addition, individual TEL coaching is offered every semester as part of the in-house training. Teachers receive advice on how digital tools can be used in a meaningful way, or how digital elements can be considered when redesigning or reorienting a course. TEL coaching takes place individually and is often used in combination with other services by the TU Graz Teaching Academy.

2026 In 2026, the TELucation website moves once again to meet current requirements and to integrate new technologies such as an AI-based search. In addition, the TELucation website becomes the central point of contact for information on digital tools offered and supported by TU Graz.

What started as a collection folder of printed articles has become a lively, constantly growing collection – online and offline.

TELucation as a source of inspiration for your own teaching

Teachers can use TELucation in many different ways:

- use the TELucation articles in your personalised collection folder as inspiration
- browse the online articles on the TELucation website
- look up step-by-step guides on digital tools at TU Graz
- listen to the podcast "Lehren – Lernen – Lauschen"
- write your own TELucation article and share your own experience
- talk about teaching at TU Graz in a podcast episode
- take advantage of the individual TEL coaching by the OU LLT
- adapt and share the openly licensed content yourself

In this way, TELucation turns from a mere reference work into a service to which teachers actively contribute – as readers as well as authors.



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The structure of the OU LLT reflects this diversity

The Organisational Unit Educational Technology continues to work in teams organised by topic, which together cover the range of services around TELucation:

- The **Instructional Design team** designs content from a design and educational perspective, coaches teachers and is responsible for comprehensive support of all services. The focus is on direct media-didactic support for teachers.
- The **Video & Animation team** supports teachers with streaming, lecture hall and studio recordings as well as audio recordings for their teaching. A particular focus is on producing educational videos in the film studio.
- The **IT Projects and Research team** is always looking for new innovations in digital education and supports the realisation of (research) projects.
- The **EdTech team** develops the software on which everything is based. Among other things, the team is responsible for all Moodle-based platforms at TU Graz, above all the TeachCenter and iMooX.at.
- The **FLAAIT team (Future Learning, Analytics & AI for Teaching)** researches, develops and tests new technologies for teaching and learning, focusing on Future Learning, Learning & Academic Analytics and AI for Teaching. In addition to digital applications and services, the team is also responsible for DELTA (Data Environment for Teaching, Learning & Analytics), the central data basis for education-related analyses and developments.

A constant every semester: the LLT Breakfast

Amid all the change, there are also constants: once a semester, the OU LLT invites you to the LLT Breakfast. The informal setting offers room for exchange among teachers and is a fixed point for hearing news about TELucation and the services of the OU LLT first-hand.

Curious?

Browse the TELucation website, listen to “Lehren – Lernen – Lauschen”, arrange a TEL coaching session – or become an author and share your experience from your own teaching with the community.



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