



MONTEREY INSTITUTE FOR TECHNOLOGY AND EDUCATION LAUNCHES “HIPPOCAMPUS,” A POWERFUL, FREE ONLINE LEARNING TOOL

Interactive Homework Site Provides Comprehensive Course Content for
Teachers, Students, and Parents

Monterey, CA - September 13, 2007 - The Monterey Institute for Technology and Education (MITE) today announced the official launch of HippoCampus (www.hippocampus.org), a free interactive homework help website that provides comprehensive high school, Advanced Placement ©, and college general education course content, suitable for advanced learners, credit recovery, home schooling, and general student use.

The trial version of HippoCampus has already been serving thousands of students, who use the site to access multimedia courses in algebra, physics, biology, calculus, US history, civics, environmental science and other general education subjects.

“Our mission is to increase access to quality education for everyone. HippoCampus is a big step toward achieving that goal. Individuals in all 50 U.S. states and 91 countries are already taking advantage of the complete course content on HippoCampus,” says Executive Director of The Monterey Institute for Technology and Education Gary W. Lopez, Ph.D. “There are sites on the web that provide study aids, but HippoCampus may be the only site where you can view full course content for high school and college general education subjects, correlated to the textbook used by your teacher --- all free of charge.”

The new site gives instructors tools for customization, similar to MyYahoo™ or MyGoogle™. Instructors can point their students to a HippoCampus link that features only the course materials selected by the instructor, and can post messages and bookmark pages of particular interest to their students.

HippoCampus, supported by The William and Flora Hewlett Foundation, is an Open Education Resource (OER), part of a worldwide collaborative effort of academic institutions and educators to make quality education available for everyone.

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The William and Flora Hewlett Foundation has been making grants since 1966 to help solve social and environmental problems at home and around the world. The Foundation concentrates its resources on activities in education, environment, global development, performing arts, philanthropy, population, and grants to support disadvantaged communities in the San Francisco Bay Area. A full list of the Hewlett Foundation’s grants can be found at www.hewlett.org/grants.

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