IITG Mid Year Project Report : Entry # 196

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IITG Project Title (truncated)

2014-Buffalo State-Fujiuchi-Creating Situated Learning Environments through Mobile Device Management (MDM)

1) Please consider the original timeline and deliverable targets. How is your project progressing compared with the original estimates?

The project is on schedule. Our pilot project completed in December, with the only setback is that we did not get much participation in our requests from feedback and assessment from the students who participated. We are beginning a second pilot project with a new set of students and faculty. We are planning to have more periodical assessments throughout the spring semester to keep students engaged in the process.

2) How is spending progressing when compared with the original budget estimates? (You may also choose to detail issues regarding access to funds in the next three questions).

Spending is complete. We had an extra expense we had to compensate for, but we were able to stay within our budget.

3) Please provide feedback regarding your experience with the project execution, in particular any issues or roadblocks you've encountered that may have been unexpected.

One of the services we were piloting also required a setup service which was not calculated in our original estimates. We needed to use funds that were originally allocated for the eventual travel to CIT to compensate. We agreed we would seek travel funds elsewhere for the CIT conference.

4) What are your positive observations or pleasant surprises about your team's interaction or project process that might would be helpful to other Pl's?

The project process was simple, and we have not had any issues at this point. These IITG projects allow us to take some time to spend on experimental innovative projects, giving us a break from our routines. It is always a stimulating exercise to problem solve and discuss, knowing we are one of the first to attempt our project.

5) Please describe any challenges you've encountered working with your project team that you've found solutions for that might be helpful to other Pl's.

We originally had a good interaction with the department we initially had our pilot project, but as the semester progressed, we had difficulty getting feedback from our participants, both students and faculty. Our original pilot project used a course that was involved in the teacher certification process. Unfortunately due to the high stakes curriculum, the students did not have time to really experiment with the iPad kits we prepared. For our second pilot we will be working with a specific course that is