ELI Webinar Abbreviated Participant Chat Transcript

**Digital Badges as an Open Passport for Learning**

January 7, 2013: 1:00 p.m. ET (UTC-5; 12:00 p.m. CT, 11:00 a.m. MT, 10:00 a.m. PT)

**Session Link:**

* Badges: <https://wiki.mozilla.org/Badges>
* What are Open Badges: <http://openbadges.org/en-US/>
* Passport: <https://www.openpassport.org/Login?ReturnUrl=https%3a%2f%2fwww.openpassport.org%2f>
* NanoHUB-U: <http://nanohub.org/groups/u>
* BlendKit2012: <http://bit.ly/blendkit_badges>
* Mozilla Open Badges group: <https://groups.google.com/forum/#!forum/openbadges>
* Passport: <http://www.purdue.edu/studio/passport>
* Classhack: <http://classhack.com/>

**Participant Chat (MST):**

Veronica Diaz, EDUCAUSE: (11:07) this would be undesirable for women :)

Brian Ropers-Huilman (U of MN): (11:07) @Veronica sure would!

Brian Ropers-Huilman (U of MN): (11:12) @Kyle: where did you get the graphics for this presentation?

Edwige: (11:16) is anybody using hte mozilla backpack system? I tried it and completed the tutorial on thier homepage, collected a badge but it doesn't appear in my backpack..

Brian Ropers-Huilman (U of MN): (11:17) @Edwige, no, haven't looked at it yet.

Edwige: (11:22) Is the backpack project up and running?

Veronica Diaz, EDUCAUSE: (11:23) I'll present these questions shortly

Veronica Diaz, EDUCAUSE: (11:23) keep em coming!

David Sprunger, Whitman College: (11:23) Do faculty at Purdue feel threatened by badges, and if so, what do you do about that?

David Sprunger, Whitman College: (11:24) Wow.You even got the right font for "Choose your own adventure".Impressed.

Brian Ropers-Huilman (U of MN): (11:24) Agreed.

Brian Ropers-Huilman (U of MN): (11:25) Thanks!

Edwige: (11:26) So is Passport an alternative to the mozilla backpack project?

Edwige: (11:27) ok thanks

David Sprunger, Whitman College: (11:31) By signing in, I'm assuming we're in as students?Or can we design challenges?

Edwige: (11:32) is Passport only for Purdue faculty/students?

Brian Ropers-Huilman (U of MN): (11:32) Is it released as open source software?

Patricia: (11:33) Can badges be shared or linked to a student's eportfolio?

Edwige: (11:38) This looks like a great way to tie learning to explicit learning objectives

Brian Ropers-Huilman (U of MN): (11:39) Agreed.

WSU TLT: (11:41) Could you talk about pupil

Brian Ropers-Huilman (U of MN): (11:43) I can see these being used by our HR department to indicate what courses or classes fac/staff have taken (Safe Space, Manager Training, etc.)

Noreen Barajas-Murphy: (11:43) @brian great idea

Edwige: (11:44) great idea, indeed!

Edwige: (11:44) Could have a goup work/team player badge to reward students who work well in groups..\

Brenda Adrian: (11:44) We have a lot of technology training courses we could use these for.

vishal sachdev: (11:45) Is there any research that says that students are any more motivated to engage in an activity using badges, when used as part of a course?

Brian Ropers-Huilman (U of MN): (11:45) Good question.

Maggie Ricci Indiana University: (11:46) Can badges be nested? It seems that having badges tied to specific learning outcomes might make the ultimate # of badges prohibitively large. If several badges could be rolled into a culminating badge, that might be useful.

Brian Ropers-Huilman (U of MN): (11:47) Excellent point!

Linda Futch: (11:48) @maggie we did a nesting appropach to badges in

underhill: (11:48) are any of these activities recorded in the university's student information system - tied to student record?

Patricia: (11:48) Is there any mention of badges on transcripts?

Chris Stubbs (Penn State): (11:49) What was the name of the iPad profile app?

David Sprunger, Whitman College: (11:49) Kyle, you're at a large school.Any speculation on how this would be received by small liberal arts schools?Anyone else want to chime in on this?

Brian Ropers-Huilman (U of MN): (11:49) Thanks @Nancy!

Nancy Johnson (UIUC): (11:49) they also have weekly conference calls. also recommend them!!

Maggie Ricci Indiana University: (11:51) @Linda - thanks for the link. I haven't looked at the toolkit for a while.

Nancy Johnson (UIUC): (11:53) retro badges-could be a problem after student graduates...ie:no longer using that email address so won't link to backpack

Rodney Alsup: (11:53) Can a badge have a shelf life or expiration date

Brian Ropers-Huilman (U of MN): (11:54) @Rodney, I think that's where certificaiton date comes in. Use it how you see fit.

Chris Stubbs (Penn State): (11:54) @ David - check out play.rit.edu for information on RIT's Just Press Play initiative. Badge-ish (though not a small school per say)

Rodney Alsup: (11:54) Thanks

Noreen Barajas-Murphy: (11:54) @Rodney the meta data would have the date of issue... this could be an element

Veronica Diaz, EDUCAUSE: (11:54) badging is a complex phenomenon

Brian Ropers-Huilman (U of MN): (11:54) @Nancy, I haven't looked at Backpack, but I'm guessing you could change your associated email.

Veronica Diaz, EDUCAUSE: (11:54) ELI will be piloting badging at the ELI annual meeting in Feb

Nancy Johnson (UIUC): (11:54) @Brian-no you can't in backpack

Brian Ropers-Huilman (U of MN): (11:55) :(

David Sprunger, Whitman College: (11:55) @Chris Stubbs Thanks!

Nancy Johnson (UIUC): (11:55) does Passport allow for multiple emails? curious abou this re: retro badges for possible branded badges down the road.

Jamie Putorti- USC: (11:58) Can I get the link for the Test Pilot

Jamie Putorti- USC: (11:59) Oops I see it sorry about that :-)

David Sprunger, Whitman College: (12:01) Thanks!This was great!

Kyle Bowen, Purdue University: (12:01) thanks everyone!!!

Ed Lojko, UCF CDL: (12:01) Classhack.com features the "Galctic Terror" badge. lol. Great sense of humor and cool artwork!

Steve Rholl - St. Olaf College: (12:01) Thank you Kyle and Veronica!

Chris Stubbs (Penn State): (12:01) thanks Kyle!

Kyle Bowen, Purdue University: (12:01) thanks Ed!

Barbara Truman: (12:01) Terrific session and got all the badges :)

Jeannette: (12:02) Thanks, Veronica!

Francisca Yonekura: (12:02) Great session, many thanks Kyle!