

# University of Dayton Isidore Student Quick Start Guide

## What is Isidore?

Isidore is the name of the University of Dayton's online Learning Management System. It's used to facilitate online course delivery. Isidore allows instructors to create online learning spaces for their classes to complete a wide variety of activities. Isidore is hosted on a server by UDit and is available seven days a week, 24 hours a day through an online website – <http://isidore.udayton.edu>.

Isidore is UD's branding of the Sakai LMS platform used by hundreds of institutions around the world. The system was named after St. Isidore of Seville, the patron saint of students and schoolchildren and recently recommended for patronage of computers and the Internet.

Isidore Website Address: <http://isidore.udayton.edu>

**How to Log in:** Input your UD Novell username and password into the corresponding text boxes located in the upper right corner of the screen.

*Supported web browsers:* PC users: Internet Explorer 6.x, Firefox 1.x and up  
Mac users: Firefox 1.x, Safari 3.x and up

**Trouble Logging In:** Reset your UD Novell password at <http://address.udayton.edu> or contact the UD Help Desk at (937) 229-3888 or [pchelp@notes.udayton.edu](mailto:pchelp@notes.udayton.edu)

## My Workspace:

After logging into Isidore, you will automatically be taken to your own private space called My Workspace. This is the first tab on the left-hand side of the course bar. This is the space where the Isidore support team may post important messages. Additionally, this space may be used for the following:

Membership	-View a listing of courses you're a member of
Schedule	-View an integrated calendar for all sites and add private entries
Resources	-Upload and manage personal files
Announcements	-View announcements from all of your sites
Worksite Setup	-Create new Isidore sites
Preferences	-Customize your Isidore settings

### **Course Bar:**

To access a course or site in Isidore, click on the course title from the tabs at the top of the page, as shown in Figure 1. Note that you may or may not be able to see all of your courses. To view course/sites that may not be listed in the tabs, use the “-more-” dropdown menu.


**Note:** Course sites are not viewable to students in most cases until 2 days before the term is to begin.



**Figure 1: Click on the course title**

### **Course Screen:**

Once you enter a course, you will see a menu on the left side of the screen similar to the one below. You will use this menu to navigate to different areas of the course.

Home 	
Course Information	- View syllabus, course calendar, and other important documents
Announcements	- View important class announcements
Facilitator Information	- View information about the course instructor
Modules	- Course content separated into modules
Discussion Forums	- Read and participate in course discussion postings
Chat Room	- Meet classmates to converse in real-time
Isidore Email	- Send and receive course email
Assignment Dropbox	- Submit assignments online
Gradebook	- Allows students to view grades the instructor has put in Isidore
Course Evaluation	- Link to online Course Evaluation to be completed at the end of the semester.

*Instructors have the ability to add or remove and these tools and others in their Isidore courses. Because of this, the menu options in your course may differ from the example above.*

If you have any questions or problems while working in Isidore please contact the UD Help Desk at (937) 229-3888 or [pchelp@notes.udayton.edu](mailto:pchelp@notes.udayton.edu) .

