Memorandum of Understanding

Between
The Australasian Society for Computers in Learning in Tertiary Education (ASCILITE) and Learning Vault

Purpose
This Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) provides a framework for areas of joint working between ASCILITE and Learning Vault. It sets out how the two organisations will work together to ensure that shared objectives are taken forward and provides a platform on which to build joint working.

This MoU is not a statutory or contractual document and is not intended to be legally binding. Nonetheless, ASCILITE and Learning Vault agree to abide by its terms.

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<td>ASCILITE was formed in 1983 and currently has over 1,900 individual members representing over 100 institutions and organisations.</td>
<td>Learning Vault’s mission is to make knowledge more accessible, meaningful, and portable for all people.</td>
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<td>Its vision is to be Australasia’s foremost community, leading and advocating for excellence in the use of digital technologies in tertiary learning and teaching.</td>
<td>Learning Vault develops resources and technologies that actively support education providers, governments and enterprises across the world in facilitating the acquisition, curation, and portability of knowledge-based achievements throughout an individual’s lifetime.</td>
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<td>ASCILITE’s mission is to promote and recognise exemplary innovation, evidence–based practice and research, in the sustainable use of educational technologies to progress pedagogical practice. See <a href="http://www.ascilite.org">www.ascilite.org</a> for further information.</td>
<td>Our focus is on micro-credential taxonomies and educational resources, digital credentialing and digital certification — and the technologies to support their integration into modern learning environments.</td>
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<td>The ASCILITE community has a wide variety of activities to engage members such as special interest groups, annual conference, grants and awards, community mentoring, webinars, and podcasts.</td>
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Mutual Benefits to be derived through the Alliance

This MoU sets out to establish a mutually beneficial relationship between Learning Vault and ASCILITE since both organisations share a common commitment to harness technology to advance learning and improve access to it.

ASCILITE and Learning Vault have common interests around resources and technologies that support higher education, particularly around digital credentialing architecture and digital certification.

The potential benefits of the proposed relationship include:

- Collaborate and provide mutual support on national programs of common interest
- Effective use of resources including better use of the time of our members and representatives
- Enhanced outcomes from events through cooperation and collaboration.
- Broader influence on policy and practice in higher education at international, national, regional, and local levels
- Informed decision making using shared information and expertise; and,
- Increased profile in the field.

ASCILITE will be able to access and use the learning vault badges for a range of activities including but not limited to TELAS.

The ultimate beneficiaries of this agreement will be members, as well as staff and students of member institutions.

Management of the Alliance

ASCILITE and Learning Vault will meet either face to face or virtually at least twice a year for the purpose of reviewing progress on joint activities and the benefits of the alliance.

ASCILITE and Learning Vault will have an annual face to face or virtual meetings for the purpose of information sharing and identifying projects and other activities of mutual benefit.

ASCILITE and Learning Vault will be individually responsible for any costs incurred by their representatives and members when participating in joint activities, unless otherwise agreed.

Annual Review

The President or the nominated officer from each organization will meet at least once a year online for the purpose of reviewing this Memorandum of Understanding to analyse the relevance and progress of joint activities and to plan a set of achievable goals for the upcoming year to be approved by the two governing bodies.

Authorised by:

ASCILITE
A/Prof Chris Campbell (President)
13th March, 2023

Learning Vault
Director of Education – ANZ
13th March, 2023