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Eportfolios as a Learning Tool



**BEST PRACTICE MODEL
FOR STARTING TO USE EPORTFOLIOS**

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A Start Up Model for E-portfolios



- Be Prepared
- Be Committed
- Be Flexible

Be Prepared



- Use the eportfolio system yourself & have some training if necessary
- Have a clear idea of what the eportfolio is for
- Provide online and F2F training and support for all users - heavy front loaded scaffolding

Be Committed



- **Launch the eportfolio at the start of the course**
- **Give students clear objectives & initial training**
- **Provide regular feedback and encouragement**
- **Encourage learner to organise and share assets to suit your chosen purpose (formative and summative assessment)**

Be Flexible



- redesign the module to allow for assessed learning outcomes
- Change your teaching approach to suit the new tool
- Replace F2F contact with online interaction and feedback