



Newsletter, August 2019

PebblePad@UTAS MyLO page

We now have a non-award MyLO page to support the use of PebblePad at UTAS. To join, click on enrol in non-award units by clicking on this link from your MyLO dashboard.

PebblePad@UTAS is located in the 'Staff Development and Training' units and you can just click to enrol. This page will be used to share resources and information about PebblePad. It will also be used to host the PebblePad@UTAS community of practice discussions and webinars.



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Shared assets hidden from search engines

The latest release from PebblePad listed a new 'hide from search engines' option when students selected the 'share with the web'. When we explored this option, we found that we could set the default for the whole of UTAS to 'hide from search engines'. This now means that any PebblePad users at UTAS who choose the "share with the web" can be reassured that the asset will only be accessed by people who receive the URL that they send. Their content will not appear for others in a Google search.

Supporting High Impact Practices with PebblePad

[The latest blog from PebblePad](#), written by Shane Sutherland (CEO), focuses on the 'high-impact practice' experience (Kuh, 2008) and describes how PebblePad can be used to support this process. The blog post links to a downloadable paper titled [Exploring high-impact practices with PebblePad](#), a document that outlines ten case studies of projects from around the World.

Sharing with an external assessor

Do you need your students to share their PebblePad work with an external assessor? PebblePad has the functionality to allow students to share with an external person (via an email address). This person will be able to complete assessor fields in the workbook and/or a marking rubric. You will be able to see the assessor names and comments in the ATLAS workspace. If you would like worksheets for this or help with your particular application, contact pebblepad.help@utas.edu.au.

PebbleBash 2020

PebblePad hold a large biennial conference called 'PebbleBash'. This is an amazing opportunity to meet other PebblePad users and discover how PebblePad is used for creative teaching and learning. The next PebblePad will be held in Edinburgh, 23rd-25th of June, 2020. You can find out more and register your interest at [the PebbleBash 2020 page](#).