DAT Guiding Questions to Consider

Questions for initial review

1. What is the problem/challenge that the digital resource is trying to solve?
   a. Is the problem/challenge sufficiently understood?
2. Is the solution informed by current practice/research?
3. How does the tool/resource support innovative instructional practices?
4. What is the audience for the solution or resource?
5. Are there existing solutions or resources to meet this need?
   a. Are they effective?
   b. Are they sufficient?
   c. Does the new solution offer significant and beneficial functionality not available in other tools or resources?
   d. If not, is the new solution or resource worth additional investment and time?
6. What local or external experience do we have with this tool or service?
7. If an instructional resource, how does this resource or service support:
   a. Identified instructional needs
   b. Identified learner populations
   c. Instructional Framework
   d. VPS Vision for Learning
   e. Strategic Plan
   f. Other instructional priorities or initiatives
8. Is the instructional tool adaptive? In what ways?
9. Where does this fit in the Education Elements matrix?
10. What questions do you have of the sponsor to review at the next meeting?

Questions for final recommendation

1. What are the key findings of the DIT?
   a. What are the red flags?
   b. Can major issues be resolved with existing capacity and support?
   c. If not, what mitigation or additional support is necessary?
   d. Looking at cost/benefit, does this solution work at this time?
2. Who will manage this implementation? Do they have the capacity to be successful?
3. What professional development will be necessary to implement? Sustain?
   a. Time considerations
   b. How will existing/future users be trained?
4. What are the initial costs? What are the ongoing costs? Who will be paying for this?
5. Is there sufficient information and understanding to make a recommendation?
6. If approved, is this a pilot or a broader implementation?
   a. If the pilot is successful, what is the proposed trajectory or scope?