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## ePortfolio Pilot Invitation

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## **ePortfolio Pilot Invitation**

Dear Colleagues,

I write to invite you to participate in USM's second year of electronic portfolio utilization. With the support of funds from the Davis Educational Foundation Grant we are able to offer a second year of **subscription access to e-portfolio** through Digication, Inc.

As those of you who participated in last year's pilot know, e-portfolio is a technology that can enhance both your teaching and your students' learning. Faculty feedback from last year's pilot has allowed us to work with Digication to improve the training and support process to better meet USM faculty and student's specific needs. By extending the pilot a second year, we hope to give last year's participants a chance to further develop their e-portfolio pedagogy, and invite new users to join the project.

Whether you are a new user or a participant from last year's pilot, I strongly urge you to join us. Whether you are teaching a course in the USM Core or a course in your department or program major, you are invited to participate.

To support individual faculty and departments in this work, we will cover all costs associated with the use of Digication E-portfolio for both faculty and student participants for the coming academic year. There are currently 750 subscriptions available on a first come-first served basis.

In addition to covering the costs of subscriptions and training, the Davis grant will provide \$500 in professional development funds to the first 10 faculty to sign up for subscriptions for their fall 2013 classes. These professional development funds must be expended by Jan. 1, 2014.

**If you are interested in participating in the e-portfolio pilot, please e-mail Erin Dowling at [edowling@usm.maine.edu](mailto:edowling@usm.maine.edu), subject line: e-portfolio. Your response is requested by Friday, August 9.** We plan to hold an electronic training webinar in the third week of August. Information on Digication's e-portfolio platform may be viewed at <http://www.digication.com/>

Thank you for considering this important opportunity.

Dr. Dahlia Lynn

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