



Managing Resources

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Managing Locations

Locations are buildings and campuses where course delivery occurs. A location can be a building or group of buildings which contain training rooms, conference rooms, auditoriums, or labs.

Lesson topics

This lesson presents the following topics:

- Adding a new location
- Modifying a location record

Adding a New Location

Locations are managed in the Resource module. The location is stored as a record in the LMM database. The location record minimally contains the location name and can also include the location address, directions, person who manages the space, and comments about the physical space.



Add a new location

Follow these instructions to add a new location.

1. From the **Resources** tab, click the **New Location** link.
2. Enter information into the **Location Details** form and click **Save**. The following figure shows the **Locations Details** form.

Location Details Cancel Save

Enter location information.

Name*

Address Line 1

Address Line 2

City

State/Province

ZIP/Postal Code

Country

Directions

Contact Name Find User

Clear Contact Info

Contact E-mail

Phone Number

Contact Comments

Adding a New Location...*(continued)*



Create a location (optional exercise)

Create a location record.

Modifying a Location Record

After a new location has been created, the administrator can modify the location record.



Modify a location record

Follow these instructions to modify a location record.

1. From the **Resource** tab, click the **Manage Location** link.
2. Search to and select the location. You can search the location using its name or address.
3. Click **Continue**.
4. Use the tabbed pages to edit the location details and click **Save**.

The figure below shows an example of a location record.

White Pines Campus

View information about a location.

Location Details | [Access Control](#)

Name	White Pines Campus
Address Line 1	Deer Hollow Road
Address Line 2	
City	Beaver Run
State/Province	Wyoming
ZIP/Postal Code	12345
Country	US
Directions	Beaver Run exit from interstate. Follow Beaver Creek road to right turn on Deer Run. Follow Deer Run to campus.
Contact Name	Maura Clover
Contact E-mail	mc@white_pines.edu
Phone Number	555-555-5555
Comments	



Managing Rooms

Rooms are physical spaces where course delivery occurs. A room can be a training room, conference room, lab, or other space that would be used for preparation and delivery of a course. Rooms may provide students a place to complete courseware independently, for example a lab. Rooms may provide a common space for instructors and students to meet, for example, a classroom.

Lesson topics

This lesson presents the following topics:

- Adding a new room
- Modifying a room record

Adding a New Room

Rooms are managed in the Resource module. The room is stored as a record in the LMM database. The room record minimally contains the room name and location and can also include the room address, directions, person who manages the space, and comments about the physical space.



Add a new room

Follow these instructions to add a new room.

1. From the **Resources** tab, click the **New Room** link.
2. Enter information into the **Room Details** form and click **Save**. The following figure shows the **Room Details** form.

Tips:

- Before you begin to create room records, create a list of all the equipment that could possibly be requested. Then survey each room contact to get a list of equipment supplied in the room.
- Redistribute the survey regularly and update room records accordingly.

Adding a New Room...*(continued)*



Create a room (optional exercise)

Create additional rooms.

Modifying a Room Record

After a new room has been created, the administrator can modify the room record.



Modify a room record

Follow these instructions to modify a room record.

1. From the **Resources** tab, click the **Manage Room** link. The following figure shows the **Search Room** window.

Name	Location	Room Type	Capacity
No matching items			

2. Search to and select the room. You can search for the room using its name or address.
3. Click **Continue**.
4. Edit the **Room Details** page and click **Save**.



Managing Vendors

Vendors are organizations from which you rent, lease, hire, or purchase services or products. Vendors can be internal organizations or external companies from whom you hire resources. For example a training vendor may provide you with course developers and instructors, course materials, classroom space, and other delivery resources.

Lesson topics

This lesson presents the following topics:

- Adding a new vendor
- Modifying a vendor record

Adding a New Vendor

Adding a new vendor creates a vendor record in the LMM database. This record can be modified to update the information contained in it.



Add a new vendor

Follow these instructions to add a new vendor.

1. From the **Resources** tab, click the **New Vendor** link.
2. Enter information into the **Vendor Details** form and click **Save**. The following figure shows an example of a completed **Vendor Details** form.

Vendor Details Cancel Save

Enter vendor information.

Name*

Address Line 1

Address Line 2

City

State/Province

ZIP/Postal Code

Country

Contact Name

Contact E-mail

Contact Phone Number

Contact FAX

Company Billing Information

Modifying a Vendor Record

After a new vendor has been created, the administrator can modify the vendor record.



Modify a vendor record

Follow these instructions to modify a vendor record.

1. From the **Resources** tab, click the **Manage Vendors** link. The following figure shows an example of the **Search Vendor** window.

Resources ▶ Search Vendor

Search Vendors Cancel Continue

Name

City

State/Province

Country

Search

Search Results - 1 returned

Name	City	State/Province	Country
<input checked="" type="radio"/> Training Experts	Hertford	Herfordshire	England

Cancel Continue

2. Search and select the vendor. You can search for the vendor using its name or address. Wildcards can also be used in a text search.
3. Click **Continue**.

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Modifying a Vendor Record...*(continued)*

Modify a vendor record...

Result: The vendor information displays as shown in the example in the following figure.

The screenshot shows a web browser window titled "View Vendor" with a help icon in the top right corner. The breadcrumb navigation is "Resources > Search Vendor > View Vendor". The main heading is "Vendor Details" with "Delete" and "Edit" buttons to its right. Below the heading is the instruction "View information about a vendor." The vendor details are listed as follows:

Name	Training Experts
Address Line 1	123 Technology Park
Address Line 2	
City	Hertford
State/Province	Hertfordshire
ZIP/Postal Code	AL1 TXJ
Country	England
Contact Name	Madeline Need
Contact E-mail	madeline_need@acme.co.uk
Contact Phone Number	01707 332-334
Contact FAX	01707 332-333
Company Billing Information	Blanket PO for Fiscal Year 2003

At the bottom right of the form, there are "Delete" and "Edit" buttons.

4. View the vendor details and click **Edit**.
Result: The **Vendor Details** form displays.
5. Modify the **Vendor Details** form as needed and click **Save**.



Managing Instructors

Instructors are people who have the abilities, skills, and knowledge to teach one or more courses. Instructors may be employees of the organization or may be employed by a contracted vendor.

LMS provides tools for searching and selecting instructors who are qualified and available to teach a course offering.

When an instructor is assigned to teach a course, several factors are considered. The instructor must possess the skills and knowledge particular to the course. Generally, it is more cost effective to assign qualified instructors who are geographically closest to the course site. And the instructor must be available to teach the scheduled offering.

The Learning Management System allows you to create instructor groups for simpler searching and management. For example, you could create a group of instructors who speak Hausa.

This lesson presents the tasks required to define and assign the instructor base.

Lesson topics

This lesson presents the following topics:

- Identifying instructor skills
- Defining instructor zones
- Instructor groups
- Adding a new instructor
- Modifying an instructor record

Identifying Instructor Skills

Most instructors possess a minimal level of teaching skills used to present a course. For example, some instructors are experienced in e-learning teaching and online tools. Other abilities and knowledge define an instructor and are important considerations when assigning course responsibilities.

LMS provides the structure to define a multitude of skills, abilities, and knowledge that can be used to define an instructor. When the instructor record is created, the relevant skills are selected and stored in the record. However, before you can select a skill, you must define the skill and create the skill record.



Identify an instructor skill

Follow these instructions to identify an instructor skill.

1. From the **Resources** tab, click the **Manage Skills** link. The following figure shows an example of the **Manage Skills** window. It shows some language skills that have already been added by the administrator.

Skill Name	Skill Description
<input type="radio"/> English	
<input type="radio"/> French	
<input type="radio"/> German	
<input type="radio"/> Italian	
<input type="radio"/> Portuguese	
<input type="radio"/> Spanish	

2. Click **Add**.

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Identifying Instructor Skills...(continued)

Identify an instructor skill...

The following figure shows the form that displays.

Manage Skills

Skill Name * Japanese

Skill Description

* Indicates a required field

Cancel OK

3. Enter a **Skill Name** and, optionally, a **Skill Description** and click **OK**.

Result: The new skill displays in the **Manage Skills** window as shown in the figure below.

Manage Skills

Resources > Manage Skills

Done

Manage Skills

View, modify, or delete the descriptions of one or more skills.

Add Delete Edit

Skill Name	Skill Description
<input type="radio"/> English	
<input type="radio"/> French	
<input type="radio"/> German	
<input type="radio"/> Italian	
<input type="radio"/> Japanese	
<input type="radio"/> Portuguese	
<input type="radio"/> Spanish	

4. Click **Done**.
5. To edit the skill, select the skill and click **Edit**.

Defining Instructor Zones

Zones are geographic areas in which instructors can be assigned. In general it is more cost-effective to assign instructors to teach courses in their own zone because it requires less travel. For e-learning course delivery, where travel is not an issue, zones are less important. When you create an instructor record, you can assign multiple zones to the instructor.



Define an instructor zone

Follow these instructions to define an instructor zone.

1. From the **Resources** tab, click the **Manage Zones** link. The following figure shows an example of the **Manage Zones** window. It shows some zones that have already been added by the administrator.

Zone Name	Description
<input type="radio"/> East	Eastern region
<input type="radio"/> North	Northern region
<input type="radio"/> South	Southern region

2. Click **Add**.

The following figure shows the form that displays.

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Defining Instructor Zones...(continued)

Define an instructor zone...

3. Enter a **Zone Name** and, optionally, a **Description** and click **OK**.

Result: The new zone displays in the **Manage Zones** window as shown in the figure below.

The screenshot shows a window titled "Manage Zones" with a breadcrumb "Resources > Manage Zones" and a "Done" button. Below the title bar, there is a sub-header "Manage Zones" and a "Done" button. The main content area contains the text "View, modify, and delete descriptions of geographical zones." and three buttons: "Add", "Delete", and "Edit". Below these buttons is a table with two columns: "Zone Name" and "Description". The table contains three rows of data:

Zone Name	Description
<input type="radio"/> East	Eastern region
<input type="radio"/> North	Northern region
<input type="radio"/> South	Southern region

4. Click **Done**.
5. To edit the zone, select the zone and click **Edit**.

Instructor Groups

Instructors can be grouped for simplified searching and report generation. Instructors can be grouped by major skill sets. For example, instructors who teach technical courses and instructors who teach business skills courses might be two separate groups. Groups are used to search for instructors for the purposes of course assignment and report generation.



Create an Instructor Group

Follow these instructions to create an Instructor Group.

1. From the **Resources** tab, click the **Manage Instructor Groups** link. The following figure shows an example of the **Manage Instructor Groups** window. It shows some instructor groups that have already been added by the administrator.

Instructor Group Name	Description
<input type="radio"/> Group A	Primary instructors
<input type="radio"/> Group B	Secondary instructors

2. Click **Add**.

The following figure shows the form that displays.

* Indicates a required field

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Instructor Groups...(continued)

Create an Instructor Group...

3. Enter an **Instructor Group Name** and, optionally, a **Description** and click **Save**.

Result: The new instructor group and its description are used to create an instructor group record. The new group displays in the **Manage Instructor Groups** window as shown in the figure below.

Instructor Group Name		Description
<input type="radio"/>	Group A	Primary instructors
<input type="radio"/>	Group B	Secondary instructors
<input type="radio"/>	Group C	Training Assistants

4. Click **Done**.
5. To edit the Instructor Group, select the group and click **Edit**.



Create instructor skills, zones, and groups (optional)

Create the following:

- Instructor skill
- Instructor zone
- Instructor group

Add your initials to the records you create, for example, instructor skill: French *EAJ*.

Adding a New Instructor

Instructors are users who can be managed as a resource. Instructors can be associated with defined skills and geographic locations. As a resource, instructors can be scheduled. An instructor's calendar is managed to prevent scheduling conflicts.



Add a new instructor

Follow these instructions to add a new instructor.

1. From the **Resources** tab, click the **New Instructor** link. The following figure shows the **New Instructor** window.

New Instructor Cancel Save

Add a new instructor, either internal to your company or external (contacted through a vendor).

Instructor type Internal External

Instructor First Name Find User
Instructor Second Name
Instructor Last Name
E-mail
Phone

Vendor Find Vendor

Instructor Group None

Skills
 Add
Remove

Zones
 Add
Remove

* Indicates a required field

2. Click **Find User** to search and select a user from the LDAP directory.
3. Select **External** to add an instructor who does not have an entry in the LDAP directory.

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Adding a New Instructor...(continued)

Add a new instructor...

The following figure shows the **Add Instructor** form, when **External** has been selected.

New Instructor Resources > New Instructor

New Instructor Cancel Save

Add a new instructor, either internal to your company or external (contacted through a vendor).

Instructor type Internal External

Instructor First Name
Instructor Second Name
Instructor Last Name
E-mail
Phone

Vendor Find Vendor

Instructor Group

Skills Add Remove

Zones Add Remove

* Indicates a required field

- 4. Click **Find Vendor** to search and select the instructor vendor, if applicable.
- 5. Click the **Instructor Group** selection arrow to display and select an instructor group as shown in the figure below.

Instructor Group ▼

- None
- Group A
- Group B
- Group C

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Adding a New Instructor...*(continued)*

Add a new instructor...

6. In the **Skills** section, click **Add**. The following figure shows the pop-up window that displays.

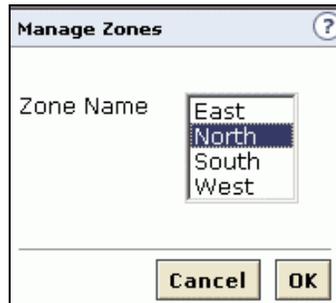


7. Select the relevant skills for the new instructor and click **OK**.

Tips:

- To select multiple skills, hold the **CTRL** key and click to select.
- To select a range of skills, hold the **SHIFT** key and click the first and last list item in the range.

8. In the **Zones** section, click **Add**. The following figure shows the pop-up window that displays.



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Adding a New Instructor...*(continued)***Add a new instructor...**

9. Select the relevant zones for the new instructor and click **OK**.

Tips:

- To select multiple zones, hold the **CTRL** key and click to select.
- To select a range of zones, hold the **SHIFT** key and click the first and last list item in the range.

The following figure shows an example of a completed **New Instructor** form.

New Instructor Cancel Save

Add a new instructor, either internal to your company or external (contacted through a vendor).

Instructor Type Internal External

Instructor First Name

Instructor Second Name

Instructor Last Name

E-mail

Phone

Vendor Find Vendor

Instructor Group

Skills

English

French

Italian

Zones

North

* Indicates a required field

10. Click **Save**.

11. Click **Done** on the confirmation screen.

Note: If the instructor is an internal user who will use the LMS to deliver courses, track, and enroll students in courses, you must also assign that user the **Instructor** role. For more information about assigning user roles, see *Module B: Managing Users*.

Modifying an Instructor Record

When a new instructor is added to LMS, an instructor record is created and stored in the LMS database. Administrators can edit the record to modify it.



Modify an instructor record

Follow these instructions to modify an instructor record.

1. From the **Resources** tab, click the **Manage Instructor** link to display the Search Instructor window as shown in the figure below.

Search Instructor Resources ▶ Search Instructor

Search Instructor Cancel Continue

First Name Last Name

Second Name

Vendor Find Vendor

Instructor Group: Any Skills: French, German, Italian, Japanese Zones: Any, East, North, South

Search

Search Results - 1 returned

Instructor Last Name	Instructor First Name
Good	Sheila

2. Search and select an instructor and click **Continue**.

Result: The **Instructor Details** page displays.

Note: You can use one of several search parameters including the instructor’s name, vendor affiliation, instructor group, skills, and zones.

Modifying an Instructor Record...(continued)

Modify an instructor record...

3. Click **Edit** to modify the record as shown in the example in the figure below.

The screenshot shows a web interface titled "Manage Instructor" with a breadcrumb trail: Resources > Search Instructor > View Instructor > Manage Instructor. The instructor's name "Sheila Good" is displayed at the top, with "Cancel" and "Save" buttons to its right. Below the name is the instruction: "View and modify instructor details such as name, address, and vendor." There are two tabs: "Instructor Details" (selected) and "Calendar".

The "Instructor Details" section includes:

- Instructor Type: External
- Instructor First Name: Sheila
- Instructor Second Name: (empty)
- Instructor Last Name: Good
- E-mail: SGOOD@acme.co.uk
- Phone: + 44 1707333 344
- Vendor: (empty) with a "Find Vendor" button
- Instructor Group: Group A (dropdown menu)
- Skills: (empty list) with "Add" and "Remove" buttons
- Zones: (empty list) with "Add" and "Remove" buttons

* Indicates a required field

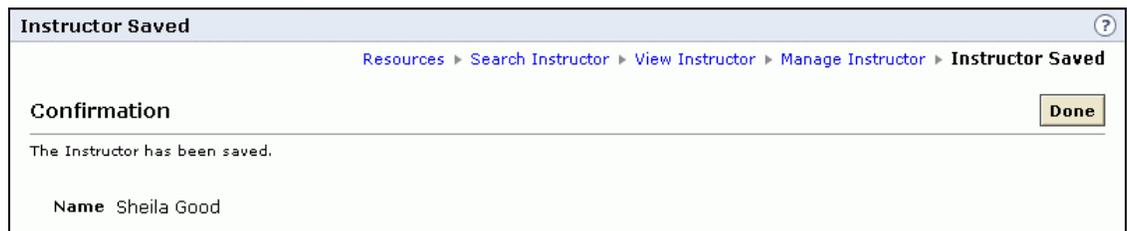
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Modifying an Instructor Record...(continued)

Modify an instructor record...

4. Click **Save**.

Result: The confirmation window displays, confirming the changes were saved. The following figure shows the confirmation window.



5. Click **Done**.