

### The Challenge

To relocate Flinders University's School of Education from the Sturt Campus to a purpose-built modern facility on the University's main campus.

### The Solution

ELECTROBOARD provided interactive learning solutions that suited the university's needs.

### The Result

The use of SMART Boards and SMART Notebook is now a key element in teaching and learning at Flinders University.

"We have not regretted for one minute the decision to use SMART Boards. Having an ongoing opportunity for staff to be engaged in professional learning has been a great benefit."

**Professor Robert Conway,**  
Dean of the School of Education



**SMART Boards:** A fundamental component to the School of Education's teaching and learning space.

# CASE STUDY

## FLINDERS UNIVERSITY

### ELECTROBOARD provides interactive learning solutions to Flinders University

#### What was the challenge?

Flinders University is situated within the foothills of the Mt. Lofty Ranges, in South Australia. Flinders University relocated its School of Education from the Sturt Campus to a purpose-built modern facility on the University's main campus. As part of the new building's state-of-the-art design, innovative educational technologies were integrated into the teaching spaces.

*"When the new building was being planned and constructed, there was a clear decision to use the latest technology as it exists in schools rather than traditional lecture room data projectors. A key reason was that we also wanted our students to experience the equipment during their lectures and not just in school placements."*  
Professor Conway

#### The Solution

ELECTROBOARD provided interactive learning solutions that suited the university's needs, supporting staff in best practice teaching, and integrating easily with existing resources and network infrastructure.

Each teaching space in the School of Education was equipped with a SMART Board system. In every room lecturers and tutors have the ability to deliver

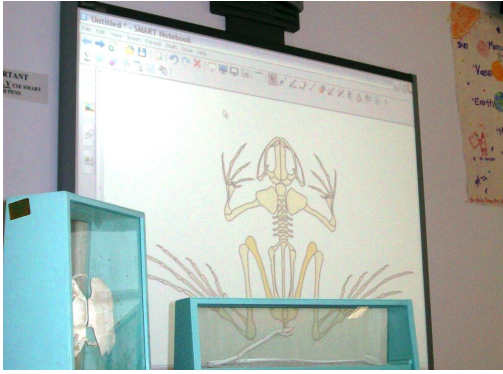
content in new and exciting ways and students can engage and interact with audio-visual, web 2.0 and online teaching resources.

*"By offering professional learning opportunities across the year at different times and in different formats, we have been able to allow staff to explore their skill development at their pace rather than through a forced one-off training time."*  
Professor Conway

SMART Notebook software has been installed on all student computers in the building, and Notebook software training and content creation has been included as part of the curriculum in a number of Bachelor of Education topics. As such, Flinders students enter their teaching practicum placements equipped with the skills and resources they need for teaching "digital natives" in the contemporary classroom.

#### The Result

The use of SMART Boards and SMART Notebook is now a key element in teaching and learning at Flinders University and the opportunities they have presented have had a big impact on the achievement of students:



**SCIENCE:** The Notebook Gallery's science resources are invaluable to the new generation of teachers.

"Students know that they will need to be proficient in the use of this technology in their own teaching and work well with it."

Professor Robert Conway,  
Dean of the School of Education

## About ELECTROBOARD

ELECTROBOARD offers a full range of audio visual products to suit every educational setting. Choose from a variety of products including data/audio projectors, interactive whiteboards, instructional software and electronic whiteboards and transform your classroom into an engaging and interactive learning environment. Whether your educational facility is large or small, your audience young or old, we can meet your needs with innovative yet affordable solutions.

In particular, Interactive Whiteboards from SMART have made a huge impact on the way learning is delivered around the world. As the Australian distributor for SMART since the first Interactive Whiteboard was released, ELECTROBOARD has an unrivalled depth of experience with these technologies.

Extraordinary made simple™



*"Introducing theory and resources for teaching media was crucial to the topic, and as part of workshop discussions, brainstorm, and activities, students could interact with material presented in innovative ways using SMART Notebook." Alexandra Potter, School of Education Academic, Research and Sessional Staff Member*

SMART Boards and SMART Notebook can have a positive impact on all students, especially those that have specific learning needs:

*"One student stands out as having hugely benefited from the use of the*

*SMART Board. I taught a profoundly deaf student during this course, and the opportunity for her to communicate ideas independently of her AUSLAN interpreter by writing on and interacting with the SMART Board was just wonderful to see... ..by using a captioning program, I was able to caption all of my audio-visual resources and display these clearly and easily on the SMART Board."*

*Alexandra Potter, School of Education Academic, Research and Sessional Staff Member*



**SMART Art:** The SMART board finds a place amongst brushes and easels in the School of Education's art room.

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