Online Instruction – Exploring Tools

Exploring Online Engagement
Introduction

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Engaging Online

1. Engage by Design
2. Blackboard Tools
3. Questions?

There is no ONE right way . . . Find what works for you!
Engage by Design
Engage Students by Design

• **Student to Content Engagement**
  – Ample opportunities to synthesize, apply, and integrate content
  – Variety of interaction with the content that is directly aligned with assessment and learning objectives

• **Student to Student Engagement**
  – Opportunities to discuss and debate content with each other
  – Opportunities to lead discussions
  – Opportunities to lead learning activities

• **Student to Teacher Engagement**
  – Online chat, text or video
  – Clear, constructive, and frequent feedback on work and progress
BLACKBOARD TOOLS

Tools to foster engagement
Getting Started with Tools

- Content Areas
- Journals/Blogs/Wikis
- Discussions
  - Threaded
  - Voice
  - Podcasts
- Mashups
  - Flickr
  - SlideShare
  - YouTube
  - NBC
Reflective Journals
Blogs & Wikis
Re-think Introduction Posts

- Faculty Podcast or Video Intro
- Action word intro
- Introduction contest
- Chain of thought
- Why are we together?
- Zombie apocalypse
Voice Discussions

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Podcasting

Create Voice Podcaster

1. Information
   - Required Title: CONT-46313-200-2015: VIRTUAL MACHINE CONFIG/ADMI
     - Required
   - Description: 

2. Settings
   - Display short message titles
   - Allow students to post to podcast
   - Audio quality: Standard Quality - 128 kbps - Modern usage
   - Podcast auto-published after: 5 min
     - Teacher can edit his last post before it is published
Collaboration

Live sessions with document sharing, brainstorming, break out sessions, screen sharing, application sharing, PowerPoint presentations, voice and video, web touring, and Whiteboard.

Recorded sessions with all the same tools but allow students to control playback, when to consume, review numerous times.
Blackboard IM

- Weekly Guided Chat
- Weekly Online Office Hours
- Bi-Weekly Synchronous Group Sessions
Synchronous Uses . . .
Online office hours, online tutoring, group meetings, student-student interactions, group projects, live lectures, troubleshooting, guest speakers
Asynchronous Uses . . .

Supplemental instructional material, recorded video tutorials, recorded lectures, recorded guest lectures, tutorials (how-to’s)
Questions?
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