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Special Edition!!

Resource Guides for Back to School

Due to concerns expressed by instructors on live streaming and recording courses while implementing reduced classroom density, members of the Provost Office have been working with OIT, Classroom Support and others to offer the best possible support.

A resource guide to help in offering online course components has been developed and can be accessed here. The guide includes instructions on using Echo 360 (full version and desktop Universal Capture version) and Teams to live stream and record courses and will continue to be updated over the next 24+ hours.

Support for Back to School

An all-hands-on-deck support team is ready to help if you encounter any technical issues while live streaming and/or recording classes during the first week of classes. To request assistance from this team while in the classroom, contact:

If you are in a classroom that is supported by ETSS - Educational Technology Support Services (aka classroom support) you should see a sign in the room with a number to contact.
ETSS also supports Echo360 (full version and desktop Universal Capture version. ETSS can be contacted at 817-272-1449

If you are in a classroom that is supported by a department, please reach out to the UTA IT Help Desk at 817-272-2208 or https://oit.uta.edu/support/

For Teams support, or any other classroom technology need, in a room not supported by ETSS please contact the UTA IT Help Desk at 817-272-2208 or https://oit.uta.edu/support/

A list of which classrooms are supported by ETSS and which are departmental will be available in the knowledge base soon.

Please Go Take a Look at Your Classroom

We strongly suggest that you visit your classroom and become familiar with the technology in the classroom before the first day of class. There may be software available to use in the room that will be helpful in your classes. There have been many upgrades over the summer.

Faculty FAQ from the Listening Session

A faculty FAQ has been posted here. The FAQ covers topics brought up at the Faculty Listening Session (recording posted on the FAQ page), including future plans, COVID-19 testing, how to handle positive cases, vaccinations, masks, office hours, accommodations, and more. A list of who supports each classroom will be found on the FAQ. Also there will be a checklist for using the classroom technology on the FAQ and in each classroom.

Tools to help with Teaching 50% Face to Face and 50% Remote using Teams

Click here for a recording of a recent workshop on teaching 50% in class and 50% remote teaching. We also have a handout with tips.

For a recording of a demonstration on how to use the document camera in the classroom click here.

Syllabus Compliance

Please remember that all instructors need to upload their syllabus to their Canvas course even if they are teaching face to face. You can find the syllabus template, instructions on how to upload to Canvas as well as other course policies here.

Making the syllabus available to students early helps students. The syllabus must be made available by the first week of classes at the very latest.

Do you know...

UTA is running a syllabus audit at the beginning of the fall semster. Please upload your syllabus to Canvas so we can be in compliance with HB 2504.

First Day of School Bagels and Snacks at the Trinity Hall Open House

Faculty Affairs has moved into new digs at Trinity Hall! We are continuing the tradition of coffee and bagels for all faculty on the first day of classes from 10 am to 11:30 am and CRTLE will be hosting snacks in the afternoon on August 25.

Stop on by for a visit and an snack! We look forward to showing you your new faculty space.

Upcoming Events

View more upcoming events on our Faculty Affairs website.

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