

ACADEMIC CONTINUITY TEAM

Dear Colleague,

We are coming down the home stretch and ACT hopes that you have been able to get the help you need to prepare for your fall classes, no matter their modality. We have some good resources as you finish up your preparations, such as quality review checklists and ACT consults.

Countdown to the Classroom

Here are resources to help you as you make your final preparations for the start of classes:



- **YSU's COVID Information Page**--info on safe return to campus, classroom safety procedures, student education resources, and more.
- **Safe Return to the Classroom with COVID Webinar Recording** (password Penguin1)--view the recent workshop by the Safe YSU Taskforce sharing key safety information and a Q&A.
- **Course Quality Checklist**--have you reviewed your course to ensure that you have addressed all the major considerations for your modalities? ACT has developed a checklist to help you ensure course quality, and more resources coming to the ACT website next week.
- **Classroom Webcams**--IT services is working to equip all multimedia classrooms with webcams. They will have 25 webcams available for immediate use. Call the **IT Service Desk** for assistance. The remaining webcams are on backorder; the goal is to install by September 1st.
- **Fall Class Preparation Support**--if you haven't visited the Creative Course Delivery page yet, check it out! ACT has a wealth of resources to help you adjust your courses, incorporate best practices, and learn technology tools. Recordings of summer workshops all focus on preparing for the new fall modalities.



Upcoming Workshops

Blackboard Collaborate, Wednesday, August 12th, 3-4P, **RSVP** Stephanie Adams from Cyberlearning will show how to: schedule and facilitate interactive web conferencing; share files; record sessions; and use breakout groups with students.

ACT Consults and Question Sessions

As you make preparations for your fall class, please remember that all ACT members are available to consult and assist in your course preparations. ACT members have expertise in course design, assessment, pedagogy, Blackboard, Webex, Microsoft apps, technology tools, and more. **NEW:** Book your own appointment--visit the **ACT consults page** to book an appointment that fits your schedule.

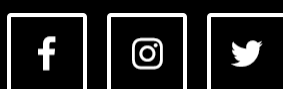


In addition, drop-in Monday, August 10th, between 10-12 to talk through planning for your fall courses with ACT staff and other faculty. Sessions will be held on Webex via this [link](#).

The Academic Continuity Team (ACT) is made up of faculty and staff from the Institute for Teaching and Learning, Office of Distance Education, and Information Technology Customer Services. Our offices have been working together since the beginning of the COVID-19 pandemic in order to coordinate services, provide training and resources, and support faculty teaching. Visit our [website](#) for resources, training opportunities, or to contact an ACT member.

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