

ACADEMIC CONTINUITY TEAM

Dear Faculty,

We hope that you are successfully headed down the home stretch of your semester this spring. For those of you setting up your finals in Blackboard, we will have trainings and consultations on this important feature. And, if you are teaching this summer, we have training and resources to help with your online course preparation.

Upcoming Workshops

SPOTLIGHT: Blackboard Testing

With finals week coming, we want to provide training and support to prepare you for creating and distributing final exams through Blackboard. Support will include workshops and consultation appointments. Webinar recordings will be made available on the [ACT website](#).

- Blackboard Original Testing Webinar--Monday, April 27, 3-4P. [RSVP here](#)
- Blackboard Ultra Testing Webinar--Tuesday, April 28, 3-4P. [RSVP here](#)
- Blackboard Testing virtual consultations--available 4/29-5/1; click [here](#) to choose an appointment spot.

Instructional Media

Support for your upcoming summer course! Instructional media tools enable to you to connect and engage with students. Learn Webex, creating videos, OneDrive, and more. Webinar available at two times:

- Thursday, April 30, 5:30-7P. [RSVP here](#)
- Thursday, May 7, 10-11:30A. [RSVP here](#)

Resources

Student Support

"*Balancing for Optimal Health*" is a short video from YSU Counseling Services and a good resource to share with your students heading into finals week! [Video here](#), or visit [Counseling Services](#) for additional resources.

"*Addressing Racial Bias and Microaggressions in Online Environment*," Free webinar on Tuesday, April 28th, 1-2P, from the Center for Organizational Responsibility and Advancement. More info and RSVP [here](#).

Teaching Support

Getting ready for summer online classes? Check out this short article, "[Ten Best Practices for Teaching Online](#)" by J.V. Boettcher for some core online principles to keep in mind as you plan.

Accessibility in Online Courses Blackboard offers a free self-paced course, "Essentials for Ally and Accessibility" on how to include accessibility in electronic course materials. More info and sign up [here](#)

Visit our [website](#) to learn about our current trainings, resources, and to connect with ACT staff and faculty. All previous ACT Updates also available.

Thank you!

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