

ACADEMIC CONTINUITY TEAM

Dear Summer Faculty,

We hope your summer course preparation is going well. For those of you who didn't teach in the Spring, the Academic Continuity Team (ACT) is a group of faculty, staff, and students from the Institute for Teaching and Learning, Office of Distance Education, and Information Technology Services that are supporting the university's remote learning efforts as a result of Covid-19.

ACT would like to share some of the resources we have available to assist you as you prepare for summer term to begin next week, including workshops, online resources, and consultation services. Please let us know how we can help!

Upcoming Webinars

- **Webex Meetings & Teams:** Learn all about Webex Meetings, a video conferencing tool that allows you to meet synchronously online, share content, record lectures, and more! Webex Teams is a share space for group projects, sharing files, office hours, and more. Monday, May 19th, 4:30-5:30P. [RSVP here](#).
- **Blackboard Ultra Exceptional Course Showcase and Overview:** Ever wonder what an exemplary online course looks like? Join Distance Education to learn about online course design best practices and get ideas for your own classes by seeing your colleague's example! Thursday, May 21st, 2-3P. [RSVP here](#).

Course Design Resources

- **ACT consults available:** Consult with staff from Distance Education, IT Technology Training, or Institute for Teaching and Learning to assist with your online course preparation. Click [here](#) for contact info and to set an appointment.
- **ACT recorded webinars:** Missed a workshop or want video instruction? Access recorded webinars on Blackboard, videoconferencing tools, instructional media, student support, and more on the [ACT Training page](#).
- **ACT technology guides:** ACT provides a wide variety of guides for different online learning and technology tools, including Blackboard, Collaborate, Webex, Teams, test proctoring, and more. Visit the [ACT Technology Guides](#) page for the full listing
- **Good practice in online instruction:** New to online courses, or want to know more about good online course design? [Click here](#) for resources to plan your summer online course.

Student Resources

- **Online learning guides:** The Center for Student Progress has a selection of guides, apps, and study tips to help your students manage their online learning experience. [Click here](#) to access their resources and share with students.

- **Internet connectivity tips:** ITS has [suggested tips](#) to help anyone improve their internet connection. Read and share with your students!
- **Student technology support:** In addition to the Tech Desk, IT Customer Services has a number of guides and support for YSU technology tools aimed at students. See a list of their guides [here](#) and help your students make sure they are ready to learn.

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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