

Blackboard Ally

Use Bb's accessibility tool to make sure your documents are fully accessible in your courses. To learn how to use Ally, click [HERE](#)... or to schedule a one-on-one consultation, [email us](#).

Medial Update Coming soon

CCRI's video streaming server will be updated to its latest version over spring break. Updated features include: Video Quizzes and Zoom recordings auto-uploaded to your Medial account for sharing in your Blackboard courses.

PD Workshops

We will be offering numerous professional development workshops in May on Bb tools (Bb Basics, Assignments, Tests, Grade Center, and Collaborate, Communication tools), Medial, and VoiceThread. Click [HERE](#) to see a listing of all courses being offered and to join the webinars.



UPDATES

Spring 2021

The Center for Instruction & Technology invites you to take a look at our CIT Updates publication we've created to keep faculty abreast of the latest news and updates in regards to Instructional Technology here at CCRI.

Summer Session 1 and 2 and Fall Course Shells

Summer Session 1 and 2 course shells will be available in Blackboard on April 1 and Fall 2021 course shells will be available on April 7.

Medial Mash-up Tool in Bb

The Medial Mash-up tool has been fixed in Blackboard. You can link to your Medial videos through the mash up tool again. Watch the how-to video [HERE](#).

Bb Ultra Base Navigation Coming Fall 2021

A new way to navigate Blackboard Learn. Base Navigation offers a more modern, intuitive navigation menu that provides quick access to the most critical information from across all courses. It creates a more engaging, efficient, and enjoyable experience for students and instructors, without having to change your courses. It includes links to new pages such as the Activity Stream, Calendar, Messages, and more. These links provide quick access to the most critical information consolidated from all your courses.

Watch an overview video on UBN [HERE](#).

Collaborate Gallery View

Collaborate Gallery view will be released on April 8th for moderators only. At the time of release Gallery View will only be compatible with Chrome. Learn more about Gallery View [HERE](#).

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VoiceThread and VT Webinars

VoiceThread has been integrated with Blackboard. VT is a cloud application which allows you to upload, share and discuss documents, presentations, images, audio files and videos between the instructor and students to enhance student engagement. Watch the VoiceThread How to video [HERE](#). We have two Introduction to VoiceThread Webinar's coming up... you can see the schedule and join [HERE](#).

Zoom

A Zoom tool is now available in Blackboard Course Tools. The tool allows you to create a Zoom Meetings link on your course menu and/or within in a content area. You will now be able to create and manage meetings from within Blackboard... instructors and students can join Zoom meetings from within Blackboard courses as well.

Below is a link to a video on how to create the Zoom Meetings link as well as manage meetings... [Creating a Zoom Meetings Link](#)

If you have any questions in regards to the Zoom integration, please submit a work order through the following link: [Request Assistance with Remote Learning](#)

One-on-One Consultations

Faculty can schedule virtual one-on-one consultations with an Instructional Support staff. To schedule an appointment, click [HERE](#).