TEACHING WITH TECHNOLOGY COMMITTEE

Meeting – 12:15 Thursday, September 2, 2021

Microsoft Teams

Minutes

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1. CDHE OER Grant

- We have received funding for a third year of OER development, with 3 faculty members participating in Awareness/Review, 4 in Adoption/Redesign, and 4 in Adaptation/ Creation.
- b. In the second year of the grant, OER were incorporated into 15 courses, affecting over 1,000 students, and realizing a total cost savings of nearly \$120,000.
- c. In the first year of the grant, OER were incorporated into 13 courses, affecting over 430 students, and realizing a total cost savings of over \$44,000.
- d. Many faculty members have been using OER outside of the grant activity. Go here for a list of no-cost and low-cost Fa21 courses.

2. HyFlex Classrooms

a. Phase 2 of the classroom upgrade to HyFlex technology was completed over the summer. Visit the HyFlex Classrooms page for a list of rooms and training resources.

3. Canvas

- a. Waitlisted students
 - i. The practice of adding waitlisted students to Canvas rosters was approved by the Faculty Representative Assembly a couple of semesters (or more?) back.
 - ii. Waitlisted students are added to Canvas rosters in Near Real Time (NRT, *i.e.*, within a few minutes of getting on the waitlist). They are also added nightly if the NRT process fails for any reason during the day.
 - iii. When waitlists are purged, waitlisted students are removed from Canvas rosters, but not until sometime that night, not in NRT. This is because of limitations with CU-SIS: not all waitlist drops are "events", i.e., they don't trigger something to happen in Canvas. We actually have to carry out a somewhat manual process at night: pause the NRT, compare one day's files with the next, figure out which students are gone from CU-SIS rosters, and then remove them from Canvas rosters. Clunky for sure, but nothing we can do about it without a change in CU-SIS.
 - iv. If faculty members want waitlisted students to persist after the purge, they need to ask the registrar to roll them in before the purge happens.
 - v. We understand that it would be helpful to somehow designate waitlisted students in Canvas rosters, so that faculty don't have to do the extra work of having to look at both Canvas and CU-SIS rosters to figure that out. This is a project that under consideration, but—no surprise—our OIT LMS Admin staffing is not as robust as some other campuses. Stay tuned...
 - vi. It does not happen that students get added to CU-SIS rosters but not to Canvas rosters, but again, if there are any failures in the NRT process during the day, those roster additions are done at night.
- b. Zoom recordings of meetings created in Canvas courses now automatically map to the Panopto course folder. See instructions here.

- c. Respondus LockDown Browser now works on both managed and personal Chromebooks. See instructions here.
- d. Crosslisted sections/courses will be more discernable starting with Sp22 courses.
- e. Classic Quizzes will be replaced by New Quizzes by Su22. We will begin communications about this soon, make the transition over Sp22.
- f. FCQ/EvaluationKit issues are still being worked on.

4. Computer purchases

- a. If a Mac is purchased through the CU Marketplace, it will come shipped to campus, like before. However, faculty will just need to login and download their own software from our store. We can still build the Mac for them, but they can start to use it right away. This is a new process and will be communicated to campus when the service is ready. However, our goal is to streamline the process since, you are completely right, it takes too long. Even pre-pandemic, it took too long. This process allows a much faster turn around.
- b. If a PC is purchased through the CU Marketplace (Dell), it will come shipped to campus, like before. However, the PC will come shipped with everything already imaged. No more taking it to the Help Desk. There is a 5-minute call to the Help Desk to finalize the setup, but it will come with everything on it already. This is a drastic change from the way we have done imaging in the past. In order to do this successfully and support faculty the same, we are narrowing down the selection online to 6 different models. However, these models represent 95% of the purchases in the last few years.
- c. There are always going to be one-offs and we will continue to work with faculty on those systems.

5. CU Online Initiative

- a. Beth-El's RN to BSN program is moving forward as an Enhanced Program in CU Online. The BS Business and BA Communications are under consideration as Standard Programs.
- 6. General gab session

Next Meeting – Thursday, October 7, 2021