Connecting Students

It has been a challenging year for our students, and many are eager to connect with campus and each other. Consider ways you can use technology to connect with campus resources, and with their fellow students:

1. Tell students about academic resources of all of our tutoring resources on campus. View this email from the Writing Center, the North Assistance Center, Maag Library, and the Center for Student Progress Office, all of which have helpful study guides.
2. Let students know there is help for their physical and mental health. YSU offers a wide range of mental health resources, including those available through the YSU Counseling Center. We also have a social media platform for students to connect with each other.
3. Encourage students to use the YSU app for other options: let students know that they can use all of the YSU collaborative tools for free. Here are links for student tool guides to Blackboard, Webex, Microsoft apps, technology tools, and more. Students can use these tools to connect virtually, work on group projects, or to socialize.

More info is available on the Student Support and Connecting Students ACT page!

Academic Integrity

With exams coming up in the next few weeks, some of you may be considering how to maintain academic integrity in your assignments, particularly in hybrid or online environments. Consider these three basic approaches to supporting academic integrity:

1. Virtual integrations: encourage students to relieve for excellence and integrity. Good practices include:
   - Puzzles or order duties for assignments and exams
   - Redact professional ethics and career
   - Ask students to sign statement of originality
   - Prevents! Follow-up opportunities for students and teaching. Good practices include:
     - Ensure student understanding of the Code of Conduct
     - Require students to submit authentic assignments
   - Policy-making research is crucial to teach the student who practices academic dishonesty. Good practices include:
     - Report student security

YSU’s Proctoring Tool-Respondus
YSU’s Office of Cyberlearning offers the Respondus LockDown Browser and Monitor to proctor tests in the hybrid and online environments. This tool is already integrated with Blackboard and is easy to use. You may register for a free instructor training webinar to learn how you can use this system. Here are links to the YSU Technology Center, which can help you.

Visit the ACT website for more information on academic integrity tools, including a video that demonstrates software.

ACT Consultants

Please remember that all ACT members are available to consult with you on helping a distressed student. Also check out this guide from the YSU Writing Center.

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The Academic Continuity Team has expertise in course design, assessment, pedagogy, Blackboard, Webex, Microsoft apps, technology tools, and more. Book an appointment that fits your schedule by visiting the ACT consults page.

The Academic Continuity Team provides academic resources and staff from the Institute for Teaching and Learning, Office of Cyberlearning, and Information Technology Customer Services. Our offices have been working together to bring the benefits of the CVOS to your campus. We can assist with providing resources, trainings, and support faculty by explaining our resources and giving step-by-step instructions.

Visit our website for more information on our resources, training opportunities, or to contact our ACT members.

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