

Subject: Looking for resources to improve your remote delivery courses?
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Good Afternoon, Colleagues –

Below please find the next installment of MTSU Online’s weekly resources, tools, and tips for distance education. MTSU Online is happy to support the great work unfolding in your programs and departments, so be sure to let us know if you have specific needs, questions, etc.

This week’s e-mail focuses on communication strategies and best practices in your courses.

Thanks to the Jones College of Business and Mr. John Burchfield in University College for providing the attached special issue *Assurance of Learning Update* on Communication. This is a great example of best practices and an empirical approach to continual improvement in serving students and promoting their success.

“In May-June 2020, the Jones College Dean’s Office conducted a survey of Jones College undergraduate students regarding the shift to remote learning caused by the COVID-19 crisis during Spring 2020. Overall, one factor was most important in classes that fell short of expectations, in classes that met expectations, and in hypothetical ideal/perfect classes: the professor..... The survey results also highlight the fact that instructors can take action, and that action can positively affect the way that students view the quality of the course..... One thing that instructors can do is to raise the frequency and quality of communication with students.”

Also, a quick reminder that the Remote Instruction Standards (RIS) course is currently available for self-registration in D2L. Just click the “Self-Registration” link on your D2L homepage to register (see screenshot below). Thanks to our instructional design team (Kim Godwin and Tara Perrin) for their work developing and maintaining this excellent resource as we continue preparations for Fall 2020!



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Next, in case you missed it, take a look at this quick write-up on Collaborative Note-Taking, which might be of interest/use in your courses: [The Power of Group Note-Taking](#)

Finally, please feel free to contact me or Cindy Adams (Cindy.Adams@mtsu.edu) anytime, and be on the lookout for future messages including other useful information. Have a great week!

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Instructional Design Faculty Drop-Ins with Kim Godwin

Monday, July 27, 2:00 PM
Wednesday, July 29, 9:00 AM
Monday, Aug 10, 2:00 PM
Wednesday, Aug 12, 9:00 AM
Monday, Aug 24, 2:00 PM
Wednesday, Aug 26, 9:00 AM

Join Zoom Meeting: <https://mtsu.zoom.us/j/8680531679>

Instructional Design Faculty Drop-Ins with Tara Perrin

Tuesday, July 21, 9:00 AM
Tuesday, Aug 4, 9:00 AM
Tuesday, Aug 18, 9:00 AM

Join Zoom Meeting: <https://mtsu.zoom.us/j/2115420004>

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