

Subject: Looking for resources to improve your distance education courses?
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Good Day, 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 includes information on optimizing your virtual classroom and creating opportunities for active learning.

Within the challenges of COVID-19, there are opportunities. How are you taking advantage of the opportunity to look anew at the methods and modes of delivery of classes? Have you modified your online or blended learning for this fall to afford active learning and greater engagement of your students? Are you fully considering the wide variety of conditions in which your students will be learning? Are you encouraging your colleagues to take this opportunity to move beyond the “camera in the classroom” approach to experiment with simulations and competency-based modules? Take a look at [this brief article](#) (with links) to explore a number of valuable options.

And [here](#) you can find more than 20 methods to integrate active learning into virtual humanities classes!

Next, don’t forget about these exciting virtual workshop/training opportunities:

Examity Training (MTSU’s new online exam proctoring service), Tuesday, August 18, 12-1 PM (register [here](#)) **AND** Wednesday, August 26, 11 AM-12 PM (register [here](#))

D2L Video Notes: The What, the Why, and the How for Students and Faculty, with MTSU Online Instructional Designer Kim Godwin, Tuesday, August 18, 2-3 PM (register [here](#))

Accessibility: 5 Things to Do Right NOW, with IT and Accessibility Specialist Cheri Wolfe, Wednesday, August 19, 10-11 AM (register [here](#))

And 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, 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, Aug 18, 9:00 AM

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

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