



**DISTANCE EDUCATION**



# **Webinar Wednesdays (and bonus Fab-Tool Fridays!)**

**SPRING 2017**

Pick up a few new skills and tools for teaching online without coming to campus! If you prefer a face-to-face environment, many of these topics are offered in an on-campus lab setting as well; see the *Distance Education Workshop Series* calendar for details.

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## **In with the New! DE News & New Tools**

*Wednesday, February 8, 12:00-1:00 p.m., CCC Confer*

You have lots of new resources this semester! Take a few minutes early in the semester to check out new tools to give your courses a boost, especially in terms of Regular Effective Contact. We will look at VoiceThread for multimedia discussions in Canvas, VeriCite for plagiarism detection in Canvas, and Camtasia for instructional videos. And don't forget your human resources: get the latest on boosting your online teaching skills through SWC's 5-week DEFT course, the DE Mentor Program, and our new subscription to online training from Canvas.

## **Canvas Basics: Part 1**

**Facilitator: Somer Meade**

*Friday, February 10, 10:00-11:30 a.m. online in Zoom: <https://cccconfer.zoom.us/j/4764044452>*

Get to know Canvas! Create an instructor profile, customize your dashboard and notifications, and take a tour of the Canvas Inbox and Calendar. Next, we will explore course design features in Canvas and discuss how to structure weekly modules to maximize student success. Lastly, you'll learn where to find guidance and support resources whenever you need them.

## **Canvas Basics: Part 2**

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Try out announcements, discussions, and quizzes, and then learn about the many options for presenting content using Canvas pages. We'll even visit the Canvas Commons and practice importing content. Our last stop in this session will be a brief introduction to assignment options and grading.

## Bored by Discussion Boards? Try VoiceThread!

*Friday, February 10, 3:00-5:00 p.m., online in Zoom: <https://cccconfer.zoom.us/j/7609237615>*

With VoiceThread, you can create engaging discussions using a mix of audio, video, and text. Discussions can be centered around images, PowerPoint slides, or even videos, and participants can use digital pencils to annotate as well. Students love VoiceThread, and we now have a limited license to use it in our online and hybrid courses in Canvas!

This workshop explores how VoiceThread can be used to provide Regular Effective Contact for our students, and we will experience its power from the student perspective. Next, we will go into instructor mode to create a VoiceThread. You will learn how to ensure accessibility as well, including connecting your VoiceThread to our captioning service for seamless captioning requests. **Participants who complete this training will be able to start using VoiceThread in their Canvas courses!** *Note: To ensure accessibility, this training is required before using VoiceThread.*

## Teaching in Canvas: Creating Content in Canvas

*Friday, February 17, 11:00-12:00, online in Zoom: <https://cccconfer.zoom.us/j/7609237615>*

Learn how to make the most of the flexibility of Canvas pages. You will learn how to use headers, inline preview for documents, and course links. We will also explore options for teaching with images, videos, and other multimedia to make your pages really pop!

## Teaching in Canvas: Bringing Content into Canvas (including tabbed pages!)

*Friday, February 17, 12:00-1:00, online in Zoom: <https://cccconfer.zoom.us/j/7609237615>*

In this session, we will focus on ways to integrate existing content into your Canvas course. We will discuss best practices for integrating outside content into your modules for a seamless student experience, and we will also discuss strategies for importing content from the Canvas Commons and your Blackboard course. Bonus: learn how to import the template for tabbed pages!

## Accessibility: Requirements & Resources for DE Courses

*Wednesday, March 1, 12:00-1:00 p.m., CCC Confer*

By law, materials for online and hybrid courses must be accessible to all learners at the start of the course, regardless of who is enrolled. Building on @ONE's [5 Tips for Better Accessibility](#), this webinar will review the major steps faculty can take to make materials accessible. You will learn how to caption your own videos as well as how to use CaptionSync, a captioning service for DE courses that provides an interactive transcript, search tool, dictionary lookup, and other features useful for *all* students.

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## Canvas Basics: Part 2

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*Friday, March 17, 1:30-3:00 p.m. online in Zoom:* <https://cccconfer.zoom.us/j/4764044452>

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## Teaching in Canvas: Assignments, Rubrics, & Vericite!

*Friday, April 14, 2:00-3:00, online in Zoom:* <https://cccconfer.zoom.us/j/7609237615>

Learn how you can use Canvas tools to assign essays, projects, journals, and more . . . and then quickly evaluate student submissions using a custom rubric. After you create a rubric, take it for a test drive by using the built-in Test Student feature to submit an assignment for grading. Our last stop will be Vericite, plagiarism detection software integrated into Canvas courses.

## Teaching in Canvas: SpeedGrader and Audio/Video Feedback

*Friday, April 14, 3:00-4:00, online in Zoom:* <https://cccconfer.zoom.us/j/7609237615>

Canvas offers an impressive array of tools for providing rich feedback on student work. Learn how to use SpeedGrader to add comments to papers, quickly fill out rubrics, and provide comments in text, audio, and even video format. Tired of typing? Try the speech-to-text tool! After this session, you just might find that Canvas makes grading fun!

## Regular Effective Contact: Requirements and Tools for Online Interaction

*Wednesday, April 19, 12:00-1:00 p.m., CCC Confer*

If you are designing an online or hybrid course, this webinar is a must! Learn about federal, state, and local requirements for instructor-initiated interaction in DE courses, and discuss strategies for boosting interaction with your students and developing an interactive (and fun!) online learning community.

## Teaching in Canvas: Shopping at the Canvas Commons

*Friday, April 28, 2:00-3:00, **online in Zoom:** <https://cccconfer.zoom.us/j/7609237615>*

Are the rumors true? Is there really a place where instructors teaching in Canvas around the world can share their favorite instructional content, quizzes, modules, and more? Yes, it's true! You can search by your discipline or a specific teaching topic, and you can download what you find for free! You can also join special sharing groups—our college, our CCC system, or even your own department. Spend an hour exploring the Commons, and then get ready for a never-ending shopping spree!

## Teaching in Canvas: Making the Most of the Canvas Community

*Friday, April 28, 3:00-4:00, **online in Zoom:** <https://cccconfer.zoom.us/j/7609237615>*

The Canvas Community is growing by leaps and bounds, and it is a great place to connect with fellow educators to discuss teaching with Canvas, propose and support new Canvas feature ideas, and share resources and strategies. In this session, you will create your Canvas Community account and join the CCC group. You can also use your new account to access SWC's unlimited buffet of Canvas-facilitated online training, available through December 2017!

## SWC Spotlight: Canvas Faculty and Student Panel

*Friday, May 12, 2:00-3:30 p.m., **online in Zoom:** <https://cccconfer.zoom.us/j/7609237615>*

Hear from faculty and students at our college who are teaching and learning in Canvas! Participants will discuss their experiences and share their suggestions, and they will also take questions from the audience.

## Ready to sign up?

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- To obtain webinar login details and request flex credit, register through SWC's [My Learning Plan](#).
- Webinars use CCC Confer or Zoom, depending on the topic.
  - If you are new to Confer, please sign up for live training or watch the archive on [CCC Confer's website](#).
  - Are you new to Zoom? Check out the [Participants' Guide](#) to get an overview before joining your first session.
- If you require live captioning, please send your request to [tschaelen@swccd.edu](mailto:tschaelen@swccd.edu) 72 hours before the event.