

SUMMER INSTITUTE | JULY 2020

# A-STATE FACULTY CENTER SESSIONS

## VOICETHREAD

July 6 - 8

9:00 - 11:00 a.m.

Participants will learn to use VoiceThread, a very easy and useful tool integrated in Blackboard that allows faculty and students to upload almost any type of visual and/or audio media for collaborative discussions, presentations, projects, formative or summative assessments, and more. Students and faculty interact using microphone, webcam, text, phone, or audio-file upload. It works extremely well for giving individualized feedback. This institute will combine a live introductory orientation via Zoom with self-paced, brief tutorials, as well as one-on-one help via Zoom.

*Facilitator: Ruth Owens*

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## STRATEGIES FOR ACTIVE LEARNING IN ONLINE/ WEB-ASSISTED COURSES

July 6 - 8

1:00 - 3:00 p.m.

This Institute will focus on active learning strategies designed to engage students and motivate them to interact with the course material, the instructor, and with each other in online/web-assisted courses.

*Facilitator: Ruth Owens*

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## TOOLKIT: BLACKBOARD COLLABORATE

July 7

12:00 - 1:00 p.m.

Participants will learn to use Blackboard Collaborate, a video-conferencing tool.

*Facilitator: Dean Murray and Christopher Earnheart*

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## SPARK IN THE CLASSROOM

July 13 - 16

1:00 - 3:00 p.m.

Learn how to use Adobe Spark in your classroom. Spark is a free application available on mobile and desktop. Students can use this app to create and share presentations, graphics, web pages, and videos in minutes. This four-day session will teach you to use the application, create your own content, and provide sample projects and rubrics for classroom use.

*Facilitator: Leslie Parker*

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## BLACKBOARD ESSENTIALS: COURSE BUILDING

July 13 - 17

Asynchronous

Participants will learn to build courses in Blackboard.

*Facilitator: Dean Murray and Christopher Earnheart*

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## BLACKBOARD ADVANCED SESSION: DESIGNING ENGAGING COURSE CONTENT

July 13 - 17

Asynchronous

Participants will learn to design engaging course content in Blackboard.

*Facilitator: Dean Murray and Christopher Earnheart*

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## BLACKBOARD ESSENTIALS: ENHANCING COMMUNICATION

July 20 - 24

Asynchronous

Participants will learn to enhance communication in their Blackboard courses.

*Facilitator: Dean Murray and Christopher Earnheart*

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## BLACKBOARD ADVANCED SESSION: BUILDING ONLINE COMMUNITIES

July 20 - 24

Participants will increase online community building skills in Blackboard.

Asynchronous

*Facilitator: Dean Murray and Christopher Earnheart*

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## TOOLKIT: BLACKBOARD COLLABORATE

July 21

Participants will learn to use Blackboard Collaborate, a video-conferencing tool.

12:00 - 1:00 p.m.

*Facilitator: Dean Murray and Christopher Earnheart*

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## CREATING INTERACTIVE .PDF DOCUMENTS

July 27 - 30

Learn how to create and share .pdf documents which contain form fills, hyperlinks, signatures, and buttons.

1:00 - 3:00 p.m.

*Facilitator: Leslie Parker*

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## BLACKBOARD ESSENTIALS: ASSESSING LEARNERS

July 27 - 31

Participants will learn to assess learners in Blackboard.

Asynchronous

*Facilitator: Dean Murray and Christopher Earnheart*

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## BLACKBOARD ADVANCED SESSION: MONITORING STUDENT PERFORMANCE

July 27 - 31

Participants will learn techniques for monitoring student performance in Blackboard.

Asynchronous

*Facilitator: Dean Murray and Christopher Earnheart*

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# CORPORATE SPONSORED SESSIONS

## TOP HAT: GETTING STARTED WITH ACTIVE LEARNING

July 10  
10:00 - 11:00 a.m.

This session will focus on getting your course set up, the basic features of Top Hat that will engage students and drive learner outcomes, and best-in-class practices for synchronous and asynchronous teaching.

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## YUJA

July 10  
12:00 - 1:00 p.m.

YuJa products harness the power of media to educate, engage, inspire and collaborate. Our portfolio includes products for video management, lecture capture, live streaming, social learning, video conferencing, digital asset management, video test proctoring, and digital media accessibility.

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## CENGAGE

July 10  
1:00 - 2:00 p.m.

During this session, we will cover the features and benefits of our Unlimited offerings, as well as additional free study tools, career exploration tools and more. Additionally, we will cover other timely topics such as how our course materials and testbanks can be integrated into your Blackboard shells for streamlined delivery to students.

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## TOP HAT: SUPERCHARGE YOUR COURSE

July 17  
10:00 - 11:00 a.m.

In this workshop we will focus on Top Hat's more advanced tools for driving student engagement in both synchronous and asynchronous settings. Learn how to build interactive pools and quizzes using advanced question types, create media rich course materials and learn evidence-based strategies for online assessments.

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## LUMEN LEARNING FOR ENGLISH, HUMANITIES, SOCIAL SCIENCE, AND SPANISH COURSES

July 17  
1:00 - 2:00 p.m.

Lumen's Waymaker courseware is available for English, Humanities, Social Science and Spanish courses and includes resources and features that save time for faculty and provide a better learning experience for students. For \$25, students get access to an integrated content study plan that personalizes learning, interactive and formative assessments, graded participation, faculty resources and immediate feedback... all seamlessly integrated into Blackboard.

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## LUMEN LEARNING FOR CHEMISTRY AND MATH COURSES

July 17  
1:00 - 2:00 p.m.

Lumen's OHM courseware is available for Chemistry and Math courses and includes resources and features that save time for faculty and provide a better learning experience for students. For \$25, students get access to OHM courseware, a prebuilt course package that can live directly in OHM or integrate into Blackboard via a course package. It has an interactive etext, large question libraries with algorithmically generated questions, analytics and many opportunities to customize.

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## BLACKBOARD WORLD: ANNUAL CONFERENCE

July 21 - 22  
Sessions Vary

Join thousands of educators from around the world July 21 & 22 for a FREE, interactive online experience. Tune in for two days of live sessions on topics that are top of mind for fall, including new models of teaching & learning, accessibility & inclusivity, student engagement and the impact of COVID-19 on education. You'll mingle virtually with thought leaders, instructors, techies, leaders and more – because you never know where you'll get inspiration for your next great idea.

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## TOP HAT: HIGH-QUALITY, INTERACTIVE, AFFORDABLE CONTENT TO YOUR COURSE

July 24  
10:00 - 11:00 a.m.

Engage students with interactive and affordable content. This workshop will focus on how you can easily incorporate affordable and customizable content into your Top Hat course. Learn how to embed content with interactive elements and learning activities to keep students engaged and gauge their comprehension of the material.

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## PEARSON

July 24  
1:00 - 2:00 p.m.

From pedagogy to practice, Pearson Faculty Advisors share their knowledge and classroom expertise to help inform your course design. Topics will include course layout, student communication and feedback tools, as well as creating an engaging online experience for your students.

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## MCGRAW-HILL

July 24  
3:00 - 4:00 p.m.

If you feel overwhelmed in this new world of remote learning, McGraw Hill is here to help. Friday, July 24th, from 3:00-4:00, please join Keith Tutor, Becky Olson, and Trina Maurer from McGraw Hill to explain the features and benefits of Proctorio. McGraw Hill has partnered with Proctorio, a proctoring and comprehensive learning integrity platform that can be accessed inside our Connect Platform. Using state-of-the-art technology and end-to-end data security, Proctorio ensures the total learning integrity of every assessment, every time. Our software eliminates human error, bias, and much of the expense associated with remote proctoring and identity verification. Proctorio also integrates effortlessly with whatever learning management system you already use— no scheduling, waiting or additional logins required— for instant, objective, secure results. Please join us if you would like to learn more!

Meeting ID: 633 1094 2977  
Password: 1234  
Conference code: 5278376336

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