Blackboard and Accessibility

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Accessibility

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Accessibility

- Making digital content flexible enough to reach the broadest possible range of users regardless of their physical abilities.

- Course materials and university documents and content should always be as accessible as possible.

- This consideration is becoming a mainstay at universities across the country.

- 7 Basic Concerns of digital content:
  - Images, objects, and graphics need 'Alt Text.'
  - Video and audio need to have captions or transcripts.
  - Documents should have a simple, logical structure.
  - Use strong color contrast.
  - Tables and charts need a simple design and proper tagging.
  - Links need descriptive text that does not include 'read more' or 'click here.'
  - Can I navigate the website with my keyboard?

Accessibility Workshops this Fall

- 10¢ Tour of the $1,000,000 Issue
  - The most cursory of introductions
- Introduction to Accessibility
  - How to create accessible docs using Microsoft Office and Adobe Acrobat
- Universal Design as an Accessibility Technique
  - Alissa Evans in ODEL

- Basic Web Accessibility
  - Keyboard nav vs. screen readers
  - How to test a webpage for accessibility compliance
- Accessible Course Materials
  - How to plan for, select, assess, and improve your course materials

Accessibility & Technology Solutions

- We are here for faculty support.
- We will gladly come to your office or department and tailor the presentation to your course materials, pedagogy, software, timeframe, etc.
- Offer workshops every week through FTDC.
- INCA form from SDS—we have to comply. Call us.
- Preparing is always better than retrofitting.
- Morally right as well as a legal imperative.

accessibility@olemiss.edu or visit ittraining.olemiss.edu

Introduction to Blackboard

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What is Blackboard?

- An online course management system available to UM instructors for posting course materials, assignments, blogs, wikis, discussion boards, online tests, grades, etc.

blackboard.olemiss.edu

How do I get my course onto Blackboard?

- Enable it for use in Blackboard

- Through [myOleMiss](#) Class Rolls and Grades interface

- Enrollments synchronized each hour

72°   ? Help

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WebID | Password | >

? Password Help

ANNOUNCEMENTS

UMTODAY *Sign in to see your personal alerts and announcements*

Memorandum

Host Your Upcoming Event at Insight Park!

Our rooms provide the perfect setting for large or small meetings, seminars, and other events! We also have plenty of parking!

Full Details

Green Initiative

The UM Compost Team is Now Hiring!

Students: Apply by August 26 to be a member of the UM Compost Team. E-mail resume and cover letter to green@olemiss.edu.

Full Details

IT Training

Automated Attendance Scanner Training

Learn about the automated attendance system, how to configure your class, and manage attendance records.

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Lectures

IMPORTANT DATES

Aug 13, 2015

AUG 8/13 August Intersession 2015 - Teacher Evaluations Submission

Aug 14, 2015

AUG 8/14 August Intersession 2015 - Teacher Evaluations Submission Deadline: Midnight

ADMISSIONS

Apply to the University of Mississippi

Admissions Confirmation

Change your Campus, Major, or Term
Use this form to request a change of Campus, Major, or Term with the Office of Admissions.

RESOURCES

Web Directory

ACADEMICS

Course Materials
Textbooks required for courses

Course Schedule

Request a Transcript

FINANCIAL AID

Special Programs and Scholarship Applications
Competitive academic programs and entering freshman scholarships; Must have applied for admission to the University

CC Transfer/Regional Scholarship Application
Scholarships for new transfer and regional campus students.

Osher Reentry Scholarship
Scholarship for non-traditional undergrads 25-50 years old.

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Your password expires in 10 days. Reset it now?

| Home | Academic Administrator | Administrator | Advisor | Faculty | Employee | Student | IT |

Search ▼

Options ⋮

Class Rolls and Grades

This interface allows instructors to view/download class rolls, to submit midterm and final grades and to view/download grade results. Please select term/year and press "Submit."

Please select academic term and year.

Fall Semester ⇕   2016–2017 ⇕

Submit

For individual assistance with this interface, please contact the **Faculty Technology Development Center** ⧉ (662) 915-7918.

Need to email your students? To send email or SMS text messages to students in the classes you are currently teaching, go to **UM Today Administration** tool. In Step 4, set your options to send immediately. SMS text messages will only go to those who have opted in to receive non-emergency text messages. You can send text-only messages using the one step **Send Immediate** tool.

Please check your information carefully.

If you find that a **section** is missing, contact **Doris Hodge**. If you find that a **student** is missing from your class roll, contact **Denise Knighton**. Both individuals can be reached by calling the Registrar's Office at (662) 915-7792.

Course Listing for Instructor - Fall Semester 2015-2016

*Return to **Class Rolls and Grades**.*

This interface allows instructors to view /download class rolls, to submit midterm and final grades and to view/download grade results. The "Submit Attendance Verification," "Submit Midterm Grades," "Submit Final Grades" links will be displayed and enabled during the corresponding grading window for each term. For assistance with this interface, please contact the **Faculty Technology Development Center** ⊡ (662-915-7918).

You may **Request To Receive All Class Rolls Via E-mail**. By selecting this link, all class rolls for the designated term and year will be sent to your e-mail account as a tab-delimited text file that can be easily imported into Excel. Time of delivery varies, but under normal conditions the e-mail will arrive within about two hours.

You may manage Course Materials for an individual section by selecting the option from the drop-down list below, or you may **Manage Course Materials for All Sections You Are Teaching** for this term and year.

The "Attendance" option in the drop-down list includes support for **automated attendance tracking** ⊡ as well as the **Freshman Attendance Based Initiative** ⊡ (FABI) program.

Course listing generated on 08/13/2015 at 2:10:19 PM. Number of sections found: 1.

CSCI 191 OFFICE APPLICATIONS - WEB 1 (OXFORD CAMPUS)

Number of students enrolled / waitlisted: **40**[*] **/ 3**. (**More Info** | **Course Materials** ⊡)

Set Blackboard Options

[Class Roll ▼] [**Go**]

[**View Changes**] made in last [10 ▼] Days

[*]This value does not include students who withdrew or dropped after the deadline.

Set Blackboard Options

| Main | Customize |

This service allows instructors to "Blackboard Enable" sections they are teaching. Under the Main tab, you can choose to enable a single section individually or choose to combine all of the sections that you are teaching into a single Blackboard course. Under the Customize tab, you can choose any 2 or more of your sections to create a custom Blackboard course. Once a section is enabled, it will be automatically created in Blackboard, and students who have added or dropped the section in SAP will be updated in Blackboard through a nightly synchronization process. Under normal circumstances, courses that have been enabled will appear in Blackboard within an hour of being requested.

Engl 222 Section 1

This section is enabled for Blackboard synchronization. Requested on 06/30/2011 at 08:31:22. Guest access is not allowed. Course is not available to students.

◉ Enable   ◯ Disable

☐ Allow Guest Access
☑ Make Available

[Submit for This Section Only]

Submitting this option will create a course in Blackboard that contains students from this section only.

It appears that you are teaching 6 sections of Engl 222

A combined course, containing all sections taught by you, is disabled for Blackboard synchronization. Requested on 06/30/2011 at 08:30:42.

◉ Enable   ◯ Disable

☐ Allow Guest Access
☑ Make Available

[Submit for a Combined Course of All Sections]

Submitting this option will create a combined course in Blackboard that contains students from all sections of this course that you are teaching.

Set Blackboard Options

| Main | Customize |

This option allows instructors to create a custom grouping of sections they are teaching.

Create A New Group

Enter four character key: * [   ]   This key will appear in the Blackboard course name.

* You will need to enter a four character key that in some way identifies your grouping of courses. For example, if grouping sections that meet on Tuesday and Thursday you might choose TuTh. (Letters, numbers, dashes, and underscores are allowed.)

Section List

	Check Into Group	Course	Section	Course Text	Campus
	☐	Engl 222	Section 1	Survey of World Literature since 1650	Oxford Campus
	☐	Engl 222	Section 2	Survey of World Literature since 1650	Oxford Campus
	☐	Engl 222	Section 3	Survey of World Literature since 1650	Oxford Campus
	☐	Engl 222	Section 4	Survey of World Literature since 1650	Oxford Campus

○ Enable   ○ Disable

☐ Allow Guest Access
☑ Make Available

[Submit to Create This New Custom Grouping]

Notable Features

- Assignments

- Plagiarism Detection

- Inline Grading

- Discussion Boards

- Blogs and Journals

- Wikis

- Self & Peer Assessments

- Online Tests

- Mashups

- Grade Center

- Rubrics

- ePortfolios

- Retention Center

Blackboard Mobile Learn

- App available for Apple iOS, and Android

- View course content, participate in discussion boards, take quizzes, view grades, etc.

- Receive push notifications of new course activity
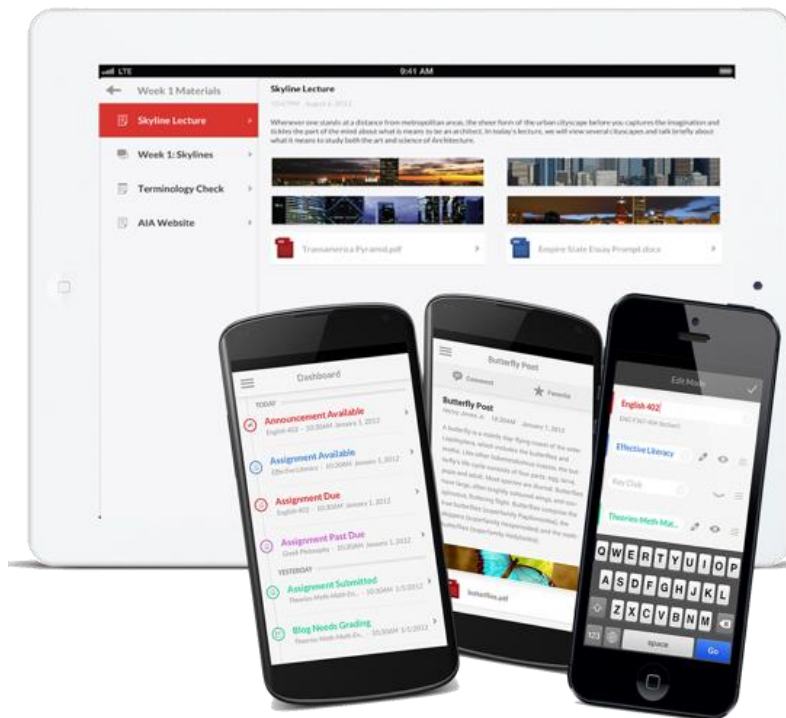
Blackboard Assistance

- Tutorials
  - Help link within Blackboard
  - www.olemiss.edu/blackboard

- Workshops and one-on-one training available through the FTDC

- Contact Information
  - Phone – 662-915-7918
  - Email – blackboard@olemiss.edu

Technology Enhancement Week

- September 12-16

- Available for all faculty, staff, and graduate instructors

- Registration required

- Final schedule available soon

- What topics would you like to learn more about?

Register at ittraining.olemiss.edu

Questions

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  - agchiles@olemiss.edu