



Faculty Technology Development Center

Weir Hall - Room 101

Monday - Friday
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The goal of the **Faculty Technology Development Center (FTDC)** is to offer the training, assistance, and technical support required to enhance faculty use of technology in classrooms, laboratories, and online applications such as Blackboard. FTDC offers a wide variety of Macintosh and Windows-based computers, an extensive collection of creative software applications, and peripherals that include multiple scanners, CD/DVD duplicators, and assistance for creating and editing digital video and DVDs.

Blackboard



The FTDC is responsible for the administration of the campus Blackboard server. Blackboard, a course management system, provides an easy way for instructors to place materials online. Workshops are offered throughout the year and one-on-one training is provided as needed.

If you need assistance with any aspect of Blackboard, consult the Blackboard Help Pages (olemiss.edu/blackboard) or contact blackboard@olemiss.edu.

Clickers



Clickers are personal response systems that faculty can use to increase interactivity in the classroom. This technology provides instant feedback to both instructors and students.

Turning Technologies QT Device is the officially supported personal response system, "clicker", on campus. (QT2 - ISBN: 9780997224818)

They also offer a TurningPoint App which can be used with a smartphone, tablet or computer.

For more information, visit olemiss.edu/clickers.

Training

FTDC offers faculty and staff workshops emphasizing the development of classroom media presentations and other instructional technologies.

Faculty Technology Enhancement Week - A week-long series of workshops offered at the beginning of Fall Semester. Registration is offered through the FTDC Web site.

IT Training - There are various seminars offered quarterly by Information Technology (IT). See ittraining.olemiss.edu/.

Other sessions are offered periodically in addition to those mentioned above. Special sessions for departments or one-on-one training may be arranged by contacting FTDC.

TACIT

Funded by the Provost Office and facilitated by IT, this program is designed to replace a faculty member's out-dated computer; giving more immediate access to--and ready capacity to create--technology resources.

Visit olemiss.edu/tacit/.



Test Scanning

Test scanning equipment is available for use and is located in IT Student Lab in Weir Hall. This scanner may be used for test scoring, surveys, Myers Briggs assessments, etc.

For more information, visit olemiss.edu/ftdc/testscanning.html.

Attendance

The University must abide by federal guidelines to verify the attendance of students in each class for which they are enrolled. The University is providing two ways for instructors to submit this information: classroom attendance scanners or the attendance verification (AV) interface.

For more attendance information, visit attendance.olemiss.edu or visit olemiss.edu/gotoclass.

Lab Reservations

There are three teaching labs in Weir Hall. Each lab is available for reservation for class projects, presentations, and training sessions.

Weir 107, Windows PC Teaching Lab, 18-seat
Weir 104, Mac Teaching Lab, 15-seat
Weir 115, Conference/Study Room, 8-seat.

The online reservation form is available at olemiss.edu/ftdc/teachinglab.html.

UM Box



UM Box offers 1 TB of cloud storage for students, faculty and staff. Using your Box account with Box Sync, documents and files on your computer can be automatically backed up to Box as you make changes.

Visit olemiss.box.com/.

Accessibility

Accessibility & Technology Solutions (ATS) provides a support system for faculty and staff to create an accessible environment for all students, regardless of their abilities.

Services include:

- Accessible technology workshops
- Learning theory workshops
- Course accessibility collaboration
- Technology accessibility evaluations
- Captioning for events or classes

Contact accessibility@olemiss.edu

UM Gmail



As a part of the Google Apps for Education offering, faculty and staff may request a UM Gmail account. Instead of a replacement, this will be an additional account for UM Gmail and other Google apps, leaving the UM Mail (Exchange) account to be used for official UM correspondence. UM Gmail accounts are being made available to employees so that they can use Google Apps for Education in their roles as instructors and students. Visit go.olemiss.edu to learn how to sign up for UM Gmail for Employees.

Software for Departmental Purchase

Licenses for Microsoft software and Adobe software are available at the FTDC. These licenses may be purchased for installation on any university-owned computer. To purchase any of these software titles, you will need to have a departmental account number and the property control number of the computer on which the software will be installed. Enter this information in the software request form (olemiss.edu/software) and then visit the FTDC to check out the installation media. Symantec AntiVirus is free for University machines through the Helpdesk.



E-mail software@olemiss.edu with any questions.

myOleMiss

The University's myOleMiss portal has many applications and features used by faculty throughout the year. These include:

Course Materials Management	Attendance
Class Rolls and Photo Rosters	Advisee Information
Grade Submission	Payroll Information
Course Synchronization with Blackboard	

See my.olemiss.edu for these and other applications.

IT Media

IT Media provides UM faculty and staff with convenient access to current and well functioning multimedia equipment for use in professional endeavors. Free on-campus delivery and setup is provided for a wide variety of equipment.

To reserve equipment or for more information, visit olemiss.edu/itmedia.

UMCT



Classroom Technology (UMCT) is administered by the Office of Information Technology with funding from the Provost's Office to enhance the campus infrastructure with equipment such as multimedia lecterns, LCD projectors, and projection screens.

A Rapid Response team provides UMCT users with speedy assistance should they encounter problems with technology in enhanced classrooms. Call 662-915-5222 option 9.

For information on training, the classrooms, or other assistance, visit olemiss.edu/umct.

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