THREE EASY WAYS TO IMPROVE YOUR BLACKBOARD COURSE

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1. TECHSMITH RELAY

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…introductory tutorials:
https://www.screencast.com/t/tj9JYnWWDGut

…personalized feedback on student assignments:
https://www.screencast.com/t/Vf1nQaEmZYwf
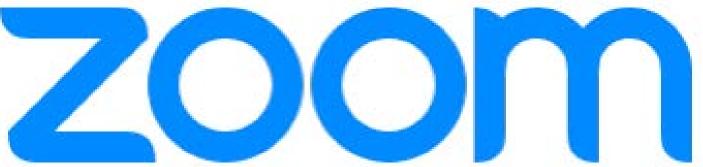
…general comments on discussion board assignments:
https://www.screencast.com/t/C4Z9aYRM5

HOW I'M USING TECHSMITH RELAY

II. VIDEO CONFERENCING SOFTWARE

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HOW I'M USING *ZOOM…* AND WHY

❖Desktop Sharing
  ❖Sharing slides and notes like PowerPoint

❖Whiteboard

❖Real-time Chat

❖Recording lectures and talks for guest speakers

❖Conversation Muting Option (if needed)

❖Multiple connections - up to 100 people in one video conversation

❖Allows for back and forth conversations

Creates Presence/Dynamic Relationship with Students
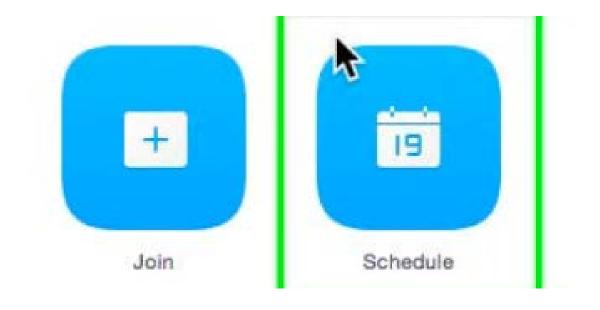▪ Find that setting up a meeting on computer is analogous to F2F/P2P meeting

The Teacher is Real, and Why This Matters
▪ Creates rapport with students
▪ Humanizes the professor
▪ Allows for subtleties not always available on Blackboard

SCHEDULING MEETINGS IS EASY!

(Provided all the students are able to use this technology, or have access to the tools)

Join   Schedule

III. USE OF SOCIAL MEDIA LIKE TWITTER

❖ Real time conversation
  ❖ Set up class/discussion hashtag (i.e. #StuartHall2017)
  ❖ Mobile and desktop friendly to allow for convenience

❖ Sharing of Video

❖ Utilization of Professional Communication Through a Widely Accepted Social Network

❖ Ease of Inviting Fellow Professors Through Twitter

❖ Public Discussion Allows for Others To Engage
  ❖ Warning: Controversial topics may invite unexpected guests to discuss
  ❖ Public forums means the public is present, so…

Let's set-up a Blackboard site dedicated to sharing ideas about how to use Blackboard…

META-BLACKBOARD