Blackboard Day
August 25, 2015
“Using Blackboard for Blended/Online Courses and Programs”
Bridgewater State University – Moakley Center
8:30 a.m. – 2:30 p.m.

BSU presents a one-day conference in collaboration with our MCUOnline and CONNECT friends and featuring our Blackboard partner. Our theme is designed for faculty and staff who would like to learn how to take their blended/online courses or programs to a new level using Blackboard.

Welcome Faculty, Department Chairs, Instructional Designers, Instructional Technologists, Directors or Coordinators of Hybrid/Online Learning and all of our colleagues in attendance.

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Blackboard Knowledge Center
Throughout the day, please stop by Blackboard partner’s Knowledge Center, where they will be available to answer usage questions and show samples of the new Collaborate, Learn and more!

9:00 – 10:00 a.m. Moakley Auditorium
Welcome and Blackboard Keynote
Please join our Blackboard partner in this keynote address to hear more about their New Learner Experience and how the rapid changes in teaching and learning are impacting product development. Blackboard’s Learn Product Manager, Trey Buck, will be highlighting the recent new releases as well providing a roadmap of what you can expect to see in the coming months.

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Breakout Sessions

“Introduction to BSU’s Blackboard” Moakley Auditorium
Presenter: Reid Kimball, Bridgewater State University
Learn some of the basics about BSU’s Blackboard system. See how to add an announcement, email your students, and upload your syllabus. Although this demonstration is geared towards BSU faculty, it may apply to other colleges/universities and all are welcome to attend this session.

“Plagiarism-Proofing and Versatility in Assignments Using SafeAssign” Moakley 135
Presenter: Lance Eaton, North Shore Community College
This workshops looks at both tools and pedagogy to explore different ways of using Blackboard to create assignments that are likely to engage students while simultaneously reducing the likelihood of plagiarizing. This workshop will also help faculty become more familiar with SafeAssign and how it can be used to help students improve their work. Additionally, there will be some brainstorming and discussion on how to reduce plagiarism through creative and well-designed assignments.

“Online Program Orientations in Blackboard Organizations” Moakley 220
Presenters: Andrew Hinote and Rachel Rebello, UMass Dartmouth
Join us for a tour of the Bb Organization that we designed to serve as an online orientation for incoming students of the online RN to BSN program at UMass Dartmouth. Centralizing communication, tracking program specific admission requirements, and introducing students to online learning are challenges many online programs face. Come see how the features of a Bb Organization can tackle these challenges.

“Go mobile! Um, we don't recommend doing THAT on your mobile device” Moakley 224
Presenter: April Bellafiore, Bristol Community College
In this session you'll learn why mobile is useful and powerful for your students, but also discuss the realities of course development and teaching using the mobile interface and environment. You'll emerge from this session with some practical suggestions you can use to teach with and guidance you can provide to your students about how to successfully use and interact with course space using mobile devices.
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“Managing Assignments, Grade Center, and Plagiarism”  
**Moakley Auditorium**

**Presenter:** Tim Wenson, Bridgewater State University  
Learn how to add an assignment, check it for plagiarism with SafeAssign and some basic management techniques in the Grade Center. Although this demonstration is geared towards BSU faculty, it may apply to other colleges/universities and all are welcome to attend this session.

“Exploring the Portfolio Tool”  
**Moakley 135**

**Presenter:** Andrea Milligan, North Shore Community College  
This workshop will explore Blackboard's new portfolio framework as a tool for students to document their work in a course or program as well as showcase their accomplishments and capabilities. The workshop will cover accessing, creating, and editing portfolios as well as how portfolios can be included as assignments within a course site.

“Collaboration: Where Group Work meets Technology”  
**Moakley 220**

**Presenters:** Andrew Hinote and Rachel Rebello, UMass Dartmouth  
Including collaboration in course work provides opportunities for knowledge sharing and reflection as well as helps to promote a sense of community among learners. Blogs, Wikis, and Blackboard Collaborate are three tools that can be used to create collaborative learning assignments and environments. Attending this seminar will provide participants with an overview of each tool, examples of effective collaborative assignments, and the opportunity to actively develop strategies for incorporating each tool into their course work.

“Rubrics - easy to create, easy to grade, easy for students to understand”  
**Moakley 224**

**Presenter:** April Bellafiore, Bristol Community College  
Rubrics are a great tool to help students know exactly how they are going to be graded on a particular assignment. Do you have a rubric you've been using that is in a Word document? Or do you have a rubric from another source (accrediting body or outside organization) that you want to use? Why not make it easy on yourself and use the integrated rubric tool in Blackboard? You can create a new rubric or upload an existing one and then attach it to an assignment or discussion board. Grading is a snap and students can see the results when they check My Grades. Bring your rubrics to this session and we'll show you how to incorporate them into your course!

12:00 – 1:00 p.m.  
**Burnell Atrium**

Lunch, provided by our Blackboard partner  
Please fill out the index cards at your table during lunch. Write down your name and any questions or comments you have on the topics listed on the cards, or propose that you would like to share something with the attendees. Please leave the cards at your table. The morning presenters will be collecting the cards to help define the afternoon’s conversation.

1:15 – 2:30 p.m.  
**Moakley Auditorium**

**Presenter's Panel**  
The morning presenters will be discussing your questions/comments from the lunchtime index card topics. If you have not already filled out an index card, please do so before the panel begins.

Thank you for attending – Available post-conference resources will be emailed to you