



News

Moodle upgrade and new features coming!

We are excited to announce that Moodle will be upgraded to version 3.1 over Winter Break! The latest version of Moodle incorporates several new features as well as security updates and bug fixes. Some of the new features that will make Moodle more flexible include:

- Faster section editing
- The new Recycle Bin
- More Forum options
- Mass Actions blocks

For faculty and staff who would like to tour the latest features of Moodle, you can sign-up for one of the Workshops listed below. Visit our [web site](#) frequently for an updated list of Moodle and other Workshops for Spring 2017.

Faculty do not need to take any special action for your courses to preserve your course content. If you have any questions, please refer to [BUAnswers](#) or contact CAT at cat@butler.edu.



Tip of the Day:

The Holidays are upon us! If you are looking to print your own photo book or holiday cards, check out [Mixbook](#).

Upcoming Events

Moving Beyond YouTube: Using 3rd-Party Video for Instruction (co-sponsored with Butler Libraries)

Instructors often find 3rd party video an effective instructional tool to support learning. However, video content from services like YouTube frequently fails to meet accessibility and copyright standards. This workshop will address these and other challenges. In particular, participants will learn the following:

tips and tricks for finding video content from library video databases;
techniques for building playlists and creating custom video clips;
advantages of using library video databases over other 3rd party video platforms; and
how to embed video content within Moodle.

Attendees are encouraged to bring their own laptops.

REGISTER | 11/15/16 | 2:00pm to 3:00pm | Irwin Library room 119

Facilitators: Sally Neal and Tom Janke

Small Efforts, Big Impact: Integrating Technology to Meet Student Learning Objectives (co-sponsored with Butler Libraries)

Are you interested in leveraging technology to breathe new life into group work, class discussions, and research activities? Look no further! In this 90-minute workshop, we will showcase ways to align technology with learning objectives, address a myriad of factors to consider when integrating technology into your courses, and share proven strategies and activities that you can use in your classroom. Special emphasis will be placed on fostering collaboration among students, increasing student engagement, encouraging creativity, equipping students with 21st century skills, and promoting critical thinking.

REGISTER | 11/30/16 | 1:00pm to 2:30pm | Irwin Library room 119

Facilitators: Amanda Starkel and Megan Grady-Rutledge

Creating Instructional Videos: The When, Why, and How

Are you interested in creating videos for your courses but not sure where to start? In this 90-minute workshop, we will examine the pedagogical affordances of video, explore digital tools associated with the production of instructional videos, and share best practices for making videos accessible. Special emphasis will be placed on screencasting and slidecasting.

REGISTER | 12/07/16 | 3:00pm to 4:30pm | Irwin Library room 119

Facilitators: Armando Pellerano and Megan Grady-Rutledge

Explore Moodle's New Features

This spring, Moodle will feature a number of new tools designed to facilitate your course management. This workshop will let you try out all of Moodle's new features including faster section editing, the Recycle Bin, new Forum options, the Mass Actions block, and more.

12/06/16 1:30pm to 2:30pm Irwin Library 119 **REGISTER**

Facilitator: Matt Wright

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