What's New in Teaching & Technology at Extension?

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What’s new in teaching at UCR Extension?

• Social Presence
• Instructor Intro Videos
• Optional Synchronous Sessions
What is Social Presence?

Social presence is defined as the sense of being with another, the degree to which a person is perceived as a real person and a student’s sense of belonging in a course via their ability to interact with other students and the instructor. Learning environments with social presence are sociable, warm, and personal.
Instructor Intro Videos

- Link to Questions
- Jonnetta’s Video: https://f.io/ZxE3QLGc
- Add as a file in Canvas or as a Yuja link.
- Create a video-based intro discussion – in Canvas or Flip.
- Provide a collaborative activity.
Optional Synchronous Sessions

- Synchronous vs Asynchronous
- Link to Optional Synchronous Sessions Guidelines
New Classroom Technology

- Webcam
- Microphone
- Ring Light
- Laptop with Canva

Examples of Bad Framing

- **The Giant**: Avoid having the camera at too low an angle. The high angles are more flattering.
- **The Negative Space**: Everyone wants to see your entire beautiful face. Keep your face full in frame and avoid cutting it off.
- **The Cat’s POV**: The closer you get to your camera, the more distorted you’ll appear. Don’t get too close.
- **The Audition**: This angle features our subject way too far. Your eyes should be in the top 1/3 of the frame.
- **The Busy Background**: Your audience will be picking apart everything in frame so keep in mind what’s behind you.
- **The Visitor**: Having a bright light from behind is a great entrance for someone in the X-Files, not for recording.
Online Course Design & Instruction Program

• Effective Assessment in Online Courses
• Tools and Techniques for Online Course Development
• Successful Online Teaching
• Instructional Design for Online Courses
Instructor Resources

- Teaching with Canvas at UCR Extension Course
- Community Course
- Instructor Resource Page
- Instructor Newsletter
Breakout Rooms

• First names starting with A – K: Stay here (Room 1101)
• First names starting with L – Z: Go to room 1103
• After the first session – switch rooms.
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