

Designing Assessments Workshop









Welcome

- Introductions
- Purpose of Session
 - Use framework of alignment to identify changes to assessment plan that are appropriate for the remote teaching environment



Session Overview

- Agenda
 - Overview of assessment/common myths (5 minutes)
 - Initial Discussion (10 minutes)
 - Introduction to group discussion (5 minutes)
 - Breakout Discussions (20 minutes)
 - Follow up discussion after breakouts (10 minutes)

Session Overview

- Format
 - Discussion in large group on the chat
 - Moderator will invite individuals to speak based on comments in chat
 - Breakout room discussion
- Resources
 - Handouts
 - Asynchronous material on GTRTA Canvas site
 - Workshop survey



Why are we assessing learning

- Assessment for learning
 - Collecting information for understanding where learners are in the learning process
 - Focus is on feedback
 - Formative Assessment
- Assessment of learning
 - Collecting information for evaluation of student achievement
 - Focus is on providing a grade
 - Summative evaluation

Myths about Assessment in a Remote Learning Environment

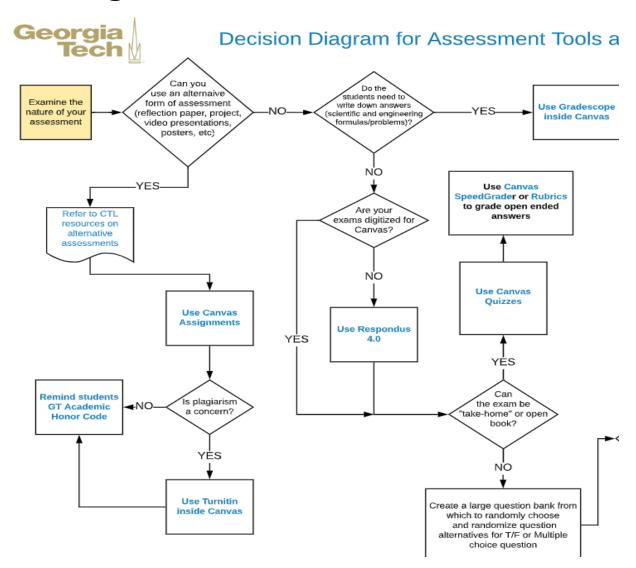


- Myth I: Online assessments must follow assessment methods used on campus
- Myth II: Assessments are evaluation mechanisms, not teaching tools
- Myth III: Instructor is the sole person responsible for assessment of student learning
- Myth IV: Anything faculty do differently from now on will cost them too much time that they don't have
- Myth V: There are technologies available to completely eradicate cheating and plagiarism





Decision Diagram for Assessment Tools and Technologies



Spectrum of Options

- Alternative Assessments
- Turnitin (plagiarism)
- Respondus 4.0 (creating and managing exams)
- Gradescope (scientific and engineering formulas/problems)
- Canvas Assignments/Quizzes
- Respondus LockDown Browser
- Digital Proctoring (Not Recommended)

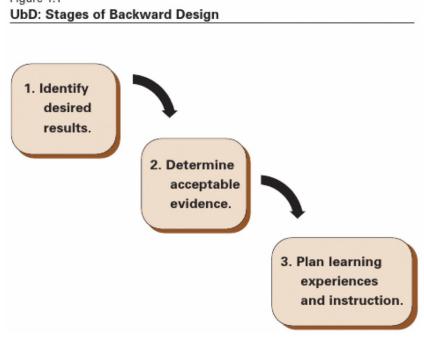


Discussion (post in chat)

• The COVID-19 environment has caused us to rethink may things. As you think about your Summer 2020 courses, tell us about an assignment that needed (or needs) to be modified or adjusted to reflect current faculty and student circumstances and situations. How are you thinking about modifying the assignment?

Backward design





 https://cft.vanderbilt.edu/guide s-sub-pages/understandingby-design/#benefits

Bowen, Ryan S., (2017). Understanding by Design. Vanderbilt University Center for Teaching. Retrieved [todaysdate] from https://cft.vanderbilt.edu/understanding-by-design/.

Assessment for Learning

- Aligned
- Forward Looking
- Transparent
- Frequent Practice with Feedback



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Focus on Learning over Performance

Tap into student motivation

Lower the stakes

Lower the anxiety

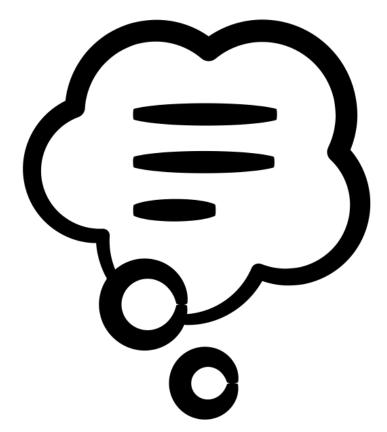


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Individual Reflection

 Discussion Guide page 1 or 2

 Brainstorm changes you can make to a major assessment to adapt to remote teaching

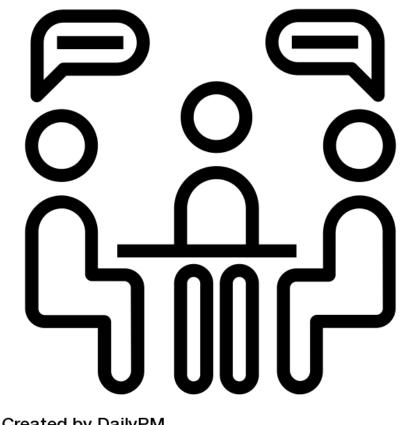


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Breakout Sessions

 Share strategies for supporting student learning through assessment

 Pick one column on Discussion Guide page 3 to focus on



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Before You Go

- Unmute yourself in breakout room
- Mental note of your breakout room # and/or "roommates"
- Main room will become a breakout room if needed
- Keep track of time—15 minutes for everyone to participate



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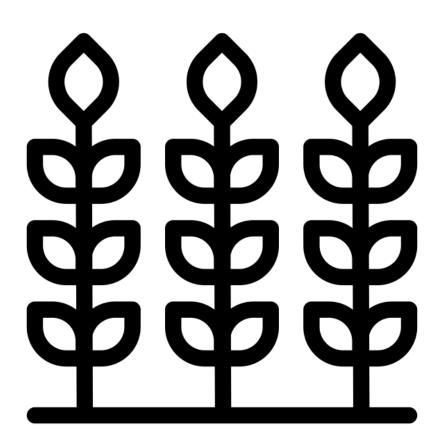
 What are two or three solutions for common challenges with assessment and feedback from your breakout groups?



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Thank you!

Please complete the workshop survey.



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