Teaching Online

Elmira College
In this video:

What this introduction video is intended to do

Online workload

Taking a course online

Teaching techniques

Communicating with students
Why?

Become better online educators

For existing online instructors and future capacity of all faculty

This includes:

- Understanding what online teaching entails
- Understanding requirements
- Tools of the trade
- Best practices
- Feedback

Synchronous v. asynchronous environment
Taking your Class Online

It takes time in an **asynchronous** environment.

Normal classroom lectures **do not** work well online.

Meet the standards for **classroom time** and out of class time?

Diverse array of constructive activities that improve the learning environment:

Activities like **group projects**, **discussions**, **research**, and **writing**.
Workload

Online teaching is a lot of work

Planning and preparation

Syllabus and schedule established > 2 weeks before the course

Plan out lectures, assignments, & exams

Build the course

It stays with you!
Teaching Techniques

Classroom techniques are available online

- Lectures
- Videos
- Whiteboard/Smartboard
- Group work (discussions & collaborations)
- Examinations

Teaching with Canvas
Communicating with Students

**Frequent communication** Having an engaged instructor is a key to student engagement in the online classroom

**Communicating with students online**
- Feedback through written messages on Canvas and email/phone
- Video conferencing: Canvas, Google Hangouts, Skype, Facetime, etc.
Conclusion

In this online lecture:

What our plan is moving forward with online education at EC

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→ Working together to help each of us be better online instructors