

Winter 2019

INSTRUCTIONAL TECHNOLOGY UPDATE

- CETL's one-year pilot project of **Crowdmark**; a collaborative marking system that allows multiple markers access to an exam concurrently, is continuing. It can also mark multiple choice questions without the need to use the Scantron system. If you would like to see if Crowdmark is effective for you please contact Kris Doucet.
- Several classrooms have had their wireless display systems upgraded over the Holiday break. **GH215, GH314, HH225, HH232, HH239, IH101, IH106, and WC31** are now using Crestron Air Media to display content from your mobile device. Directions can be found here: <https://www.unb.ca/saintjohn/iss/services-facstaff/classrooms1/index.html>
- Poll Everywhere has introduced a new feature called Competitions, where you can have students compete with each other while answering multiple choice questions in class.
- Recent upgrades to the Scantron Marking System now allow the system to mark multiple select questions. In the past these questions were required to be marked manually, but we are happy to report the system is now able to handle these types of questions.
- Are you interested in providing students recorded lectures? Using Screen Cast O'Matic and MS Stream you can create videos of your powerpoint slides and/or yourself as you give your lecture. A great way to prevent lost time due to weather conditions. Videos can be embedded directly into your D2L course.
- Join the D2L Community (<https://community.brightspace.com/s/>) to get best practices, tips and proven ideas from thousands of Brightspace users. Visit the Product Ideas Exchange, or PIE, where users like you can suggest improvements to the system, and upvote suggestions others have made. D2L is responsive to this feedback and aims to have 30% of all upgrades be PIE suggestions.
- UNB ISS and ITS have updated the UNB Lab Software Installation and Requirements Policy. If you are an instructor who requires specific software in an ISS-maintained computer lab, please read over the new policy with special attention to licensing and request deadlines. The updated policy is available on the ITS website: <https://www.unb.ca/its/faculty-staff/book-a-lab/software-policy.html>
- We continue to update the ISS Classroom page it now includes details on the computer labs on campus

Please contact Kris Doucet for 1-on-1 or departmental training sessions for the software above or any other Instructional Technology topics, including classroom technology. If you are unable to be on campus during work day hours we can also arrange remote training sessions via Skype for Business.

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