

Learning and Teaching Matters 24 July 2020

Overview from Director, LTC Associate Professor Anthony Whitty

With the approach of semester 2, this week's newsletter contains some just in time information to support your teaching preparation.

Could we ask that the link to 24/7 online support is added to all first-year units. The link to supporting FAQs, videos and further information about the Academic Skills Unit is below. The <u>Student FAQs</u> on the ACU website have been updated for semester 2. Please monitor this page regularly as it contains pertinent information for students in an evolving space. I would like to again invite all staff to consider the range of <u>Teaching online workshops and drop-ins</u> offered by LTC to provide support for your teaching. These 1 hr online workshops offer Q&A opportunities, activities and discussion.

If there are any topics you would like us to update you on, or information you would like clarified, please contact your direct supervisor or your Associate Dean (Learning and Teaching). They will work with myself and the team in LTC to ensure we clarify any concerns or update you on any area of learning and teaching. May I take this opportunity to wish everyone a safe and productive semester.

Supporting students' learning development

As students return to study for semester 2, please help raise their awareness of the Academic Skills Unit's services and resources:

- <u>Workshops</u> beginning in week 1
- Online resources through the ASU LEO site
- <u>Ask an Advisor</u> email service
- Consultations and drop-ins

24/7 online study support (Writing Feedback and ConnectLive) is also available to commencing students through our external partner, Studiosity. To facilitate access to the service, we request your assistance to insert links in first-year units. A step-by-step guide, FAQ and videos can be found on the <u>Teaching and supporting student learning</u> page on the Learning and Teaching site. Access to Studiosity is also available through the <u>For commencing students</u> button on the Academic Skills Unit LEO site.

For more information about support for students' learning development, including how Advisors can work with staff in Faculties, contact the Academic Skills Unit at <u>academicskills@acu.edu.au</u>

ACU Unitpulse - Opportunity to gather student feedback during study periods



ACU Unitpulse allows lecturers to gauge student views of their learning experience in a unit early in a study period, monitor progress and facilitate student success. Find out more about ACU Unitpulse at Learning and Teaching at ACU or contact LTC Evaluations.

Update from IT

Due to limited space in Zoom, Semester 1 lecture recordings will be deleted from Zoom from 30th July.

All lecture recordings should be stored in Echo 360. If you have Semester 1 recordings stored in Zoom that you need to keep, please move all these recordings from Zoom into Echo 360 by July 29th.

To move your recordings:

- 1. <u>Follow these instructions</u> to download your recordings to your computer.
- 2. Follow these instructions to upload the recordings to Echo 360.

Recordings remaining in Zoom on 30th July will be deleted and cannot be recovered.

If you need help transferring your lecture recordings, please contact Service Central on EXT 7272 or raise a request.

It is expected that as in semester 1, all online tutorials will be recorded to support student access to remote learning. Students should be made aware that they will enjoy a much better learning experience by attending the live session where possible.

Face to Face tutorial recordings

Due to the constantly changing environment, please note that all face to face workshops and tutorials will be automatically recorded in semester 2. We encourage making the recordings available to students as appropriate to create an environment which provides access to all students. Students are still strongly encouraged to attend face to face classes as the recording will not be able to replicate the educational experience. Staff however with legitimate concerns are able to choose not to release their tutorial recordings on the LMS and can pause the recordings in the teaching spaces.

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