Using Collaborate in Canvas A Guide for Faculty

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Collaborate, a virtual classroom resources, is an easy-to-use video conferencing and recording software, accessible via Canvas. Use Collaborate for courses, office hours, breakout rooms, or conference calls. The browser-based tool enables faculty and learners to share content, demo an application, or collaborate in real-time.

Log into Canvas

- Visit <u>https://canvas.jefferson.edu</u>
- Select Campus Key Login
- > Enter your Jefferson Campus Key and password to access your Canvas Dashboard

Activate Your Sandbox Course

- > You should see your personal sandbox on the Dashboard
- > Click on the course card for your sandbox



Activate the Collaborate Link

- From the course navigation menu, select Blackboard Collaborate. This will most likely appear at the bottom the navigation menu
- > You will be directed to the integrated Collaborate environment

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Scheduling the Virtual Session

- > Select Create Session to schedule a virtual meeting space
- > Give your session a name. We recommend using the course name in your title
- You have the option of creating a session with definitive start and stop times or an open session that will act as a 24/7 meeting place
- > By default, the session will permit Guest Access Do NOT uncheck the box

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Session Settings

- > Expand the Session Settings by activating the arrows
- The default selections will permit learners privileges to fully interact with the virtual environment
- > Select Save to finish the scheduling process

Share Guest Link

- > The Collaborate dashboard should include any entry for all scheduled sessions
- > Select the ellipses to the far left of the session title for an expanded menu

> Select Copy Guest Link and share the email with your learners

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Join the Session

- > Click on the link you created to access the scheduled session
- > Select Join Session to enter the Collaborate Room
- Upon entering the room, you will be prompted to give Collaborate access to your microphone and camera. You must permit both to participate

In-Platform Tutorial

- To learn more about Collaborate, open the Session by clicking the three horizontal lines, also known as the hamburger, located in the top-left hand corner of the Collaborate screen
- Click Tell me about Collaborate to access a guided tour of the Collaborate interface



Help

For help with Collaborate, contact the Academic Commons at <u>EdTech.Support@lists.jefferson.edu</u> or call (215) 503-2830