VIDEO DISCUSSIONS

Discussion boards are an effective way to help students interact and share their learning in an asynchronous setting. Video discussions provide a visual platform to engage students, create a sense of community, and exchange ideas.

Do
- Create a variety of prompt choices and topics
- Provide instructions about how to respond to classmates’ posts
- Include a clause for students who cannot submit a video response

Provide
- Clear expectations about video discussion assignments in your syllabus and a corresponding rubric
- Detailed instructions and screenshots on how to create a video
- A time limit for video responses

Use Videos
- To respond to a discussion prompt
- For students to introduce themselves at the beginning of the semester
- To summarize a written assignment
- For students to teach about a topic or reflect on the course

Consider
- Creating actionable and specific discussion prompts
- Highlighting best video posts for each week or as often as is relevant to your course
- Using the discussion board setting that requires students to respond before seeing other responses

Ask
- What technology constraints students may have
- Specific questions for video response assignments
- Classmates to engage with peers’ discussion videos

Resources
- UTEP Technology Center
- Blackboard Discussion Board
- Blackboard Yuja
- How to Create a YouTube Account
- How to Upload a Video to YouTube

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