

Effective Online Lectures


Lectures can be an integral component of an online course and provide an effective means of communicating new information with students.

Before you get started, consider the approach you will take for your online course:

	Asynchronous	Synchronous
When?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Allows for reflection on complex issues • Allows students to watch on their own time 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Allows for discussion of less complex issues • Good for getting acquainted • Planning tasks
Why?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Students have more time to reflect because an immediate answer is not expected 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Allows for immediate responses • Facilitates relationship building
How?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Use Studio to pre-record videos and upload into Canvas • Supplement with YouTube videos 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Use videoconferencing software like WebEx or Zoom • Complement with personal meetings

Remember, each course is different!

As an instructor it is important that you decide which course delivery method best aligns with your teaching style and desired outcomes. An effective course utilizes BOTH asynchronous and synchronous elements.



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