Monitoring Your Course



Methods to Monitor Student Engagement in an Online Course

What is student engagement?

 Student engagement is typically considered the extent to which students are actively engaged by thinking, talking, and interacting with the content of a course, the other students in the course, and the instructor.

Encouraging Engagement

In an online setting, there are several strategies to keep students engaged:

- Create a safe and welcoming environment.
- Be present in your course.
- Use active learning and encourage connection between students.
- Give timely feedback and respond promptly to students' questions/concerns.

*Research has shown that student engagement is a key element in overall student success.

Monitoring Engagement

Canvas has multiple tools available that monitor students' digital interaction and activity within your course.

- Student have their own "profile" that provides an overview of their course engagement.
- Analytics provide a deeper view that monitor students' activity by date, communication, submissions, and grades.
- *User Access Reports* detail the content, amount viewed, and date last viewed.
- The Insights feature monitors students' interaction and time spent with Studio videos (including YouTube videos imported into your Studio library.
- Moderating Quiz Tabs allow you to view the time it took for a student to complete the quiz and their score.

For more information on monitoring your course, and for additional assistance with your online course, contact the Center for Distance Education: 662-325-3473, help@online.msstate.edu

