SRSU OIT Update:

Our new SRSU Information Security Officer, Jacob Fuentes, would like to introduce himself to our faculty/staff, talk about his role & responsibilities for OIT/SRSU, and let you know what he can do for you. Jacob will also provide updates on our SRSU information security as well as updates on current and future OIT projects (covering all areas but focusing on SRSU security).

For more on SRSU information security:
Contact Jacob Fuentes at jacob.fuentes@sulross.edu or call ext.8885
For general OIT requests contact LTAC at techassist@sulross.edu or at 432-837-8888

SRSU Staff Spotlight:

SRSU Media Specialist, Bobby Greeson (known far and wide as "BobbyG") will talk about how he can work with you to promote your SRSU department, program, organization, campus event, etc. by developing informational videos for your SRSU webpage/social media, providing event photography, creating e-blasts or graphic design for print media such as brochures, programs, posters, flyers... whatever SRSU media solution you may need!

To Talk with our Media Specialist about your SRSU project:
Contact Bobby Greeson at robert.greeson@sulross.edu or call ext.8453

SRSU/SHSU Team Blackboard Spotlight: Overview on Respondus Campus Wide

Ray Scheel, Assistant Director for Course Development at SHSU Online, will present on the Respondus Campus Wide tool that is used to create, manage, and easily publish tests to your Blackboard courses (thanks to our shared services agreement with SHSU). Ray will give an informational overview on exactly what utilizing Respondus Campus Wide will do for you while also covering what utilizing other Respondus tools with your online tests, such as the Respondus Lockdown Browser and Respondus Monitor, can do for your Blackboard test integrity and online proctoring purposes.

To Have Respondus Campus Wide Installed on Your Computer (For PC/Windows Computers Only):

FOR SRSU COMPUTERS: Submit an OIT Helpdesk ticket to techassist@sulross.edu asking that Respondus be installed on your SRSU computer. Include your SRSU computer's tag number. Faculty should be present for the installation as they will need to be logged in to their SRSU computer.

FOR PERSONAL COMPUTERS: Submit an OIT Helpdesk ticket to techassist@sulross.edu asking that Respondus be installed on your personal/home computer. OIT Helpdesk will share an SRSU Sharepoint folder with the requesting faculty that has the Respondus installer and instructions.

For Instructional Support on using Respondus Campus Wide, Respondus Lockdown Browser & Monitor
Contact the 24/7 Blackboard Online Support Desk and request scheduled individual help with setting up and using the Respondus tools at blackboardsupport@sulross.edu or call toll free - 888.837.6055

You may also directly contact our dedicated to SRSU Instructional Designer Jorge Luna at jll092@shsu.edu
SRSU Instructional Services / Blackboard Update: Tim & Estella

The Blackboard Retention Center
The Blackboard Retention Center helps you discover which students in your course are at risk. Based on default rules and rules you create, students' engagement and participation are visually displayed, quickly alerting you to potential risk. From the Retention Center, you can communicate with struggling students and help them take immediate action for improvement.

For more information on the Blackboard Retention Center:
https://help.blackboard.com/fr-ca/Learn/Instructor/Original/Performance/Retention_Center

TO LEARN MORE ON BLACKBOARD TOOLS/FEATURES
- Visit our "Teaching Online with Blackboard" Instructor Resource Site where you can find support material and how-to videos on areas such as Blackboard Collaborate, Blackboard Retention Center, and Respondus Campus Wide. Access it within Blackboard by going to the "Faculty Central" tab at the top-right of your Blackboard dashboard. From there, we have a new sub-tab called "Bb Resources" where you'll access the "Teaching with Blackboard" site.
- Resource areas in the "Teaching Online with Blackboard" instructor resource site include:
  - Blended Teaching Webinars – You can sign up to take an “Online Self-Paced” courses.
  - Webinar Recordings – The latest SHSU Online webinar recording can be found here, among many others.
  - Teaching With Blackboard Menu Areas – Main menu areas covering Instructional Continuity, Synchronous Lectures & Meetings, Communicating with Students, Giving Tests in Blackboard, etc., including how-to videos and documentation.

For more information contact:
Tim Parsons at tim.parsons@sulross.edu or call ext 8525
Estella Vega at estellav@sulross.edu or call ext 8247
Jorge Luna at jll092@shsu.edu

Update/Reminder on SRSU Professional Development:

For more information on the SRSU Professional Development initiative, the Professional Development website, and the new awards and incentives for SR faculty who enroll into and complete the SHSU Online Faculty Certification program:
Contact Dean of Education and Cultural Resources April Aultman Becker at april.becker@sulross.edu or call ext.8121
Professional Development site on SR Info (with calendar): https://srinfo.sulross.edu/professionaldevelopment/

Update/Reminder on SRSU DE Room Support:

For more information:
Contact Dominick Percoco at dominick.percoco@sulross.edu or call ext. 8888.
DE room support documentation can be found at https://techassist.sulross.edu/showTopicDetails.do?id=608 - (Login required)
To schedule DE room orientation or training, submit a HelpDesk request at https://techassist.sulross.edu