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BI-WEEKLY UPDATE

Hats Off



The LAR team would like to tip a collective hat to Vladimir Neykov, aka Vlado, for his commitment to supporting learner success, continuing professional development, and offering mentorship to new faculty and instructors. Vlad has attended our Planting the Seeds workshops for several years, and we appreciate his enthusiastic engagement and insights. We wish you and your students a most successful term!

Points of Note:

Cool Tool Alert

Would you benefit from a pronunciation guide to assist you as you learn students' names over the coming week? [Nameshouts](#) provides audio pronunciations and phonetic spelling of names from 22 different languages.

Peer Partners

Interested in connecting with a colleague to share teaching and learning experiences? If so, please contact [LAR](#), and we will gladly facilitate a partnership.

Research Ethics Board

The Research Ethics Board is currently looking for new members to join the committee. The REB Terms of Reference state that the committee requires representation from members of the College community (including students), excluding the senior institutional administrators. Please put out a call for volunteers — particularly individuals with research knowledge/experience — from your respective portfolios/regions.

The REB meets from 9:00 to 11:00 one Friday a month, except in August. Terms are two years with the possibility of additional terms. For more information, those interested can visit our [website](#), or email Colette Martin, REB Assistant, at reb@okanagan.bc.ca or Youry Khmelevsky, Chair, directly at ykhmelevsky@okanagan.bc.ca. If you are interested in joining this committee, please contact us on or before September 26, 2022.



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Upcoming Events:

Moodle Quick Start	Sept 12	1-2 pm
Research Ethics Board: Everything You Need to Know	Sept. 14	10-11 am
Open Education	Sept. 19	11-12 pm
Moodle Quiz Development	Sept. 26	9-10 am
The 10 Step Process to Curriculum Design	Oct. 18	9-10 am

And more! Visit our entire schedule and register [here](#)

Planting the Seeds 2022

LAR had the pleasure of facilitating our annual Planting the Seeds two-day workshop series for new and continuing instructors and faculty last week. We would like to thank our student panelists, Omar, Fernanda, Blessing and professor, Susan Thomas once more for their valuable contributions to guide learner support and engagement. It was a fulsome two days of collective learning and sharing, and we are already looking forward to next year.





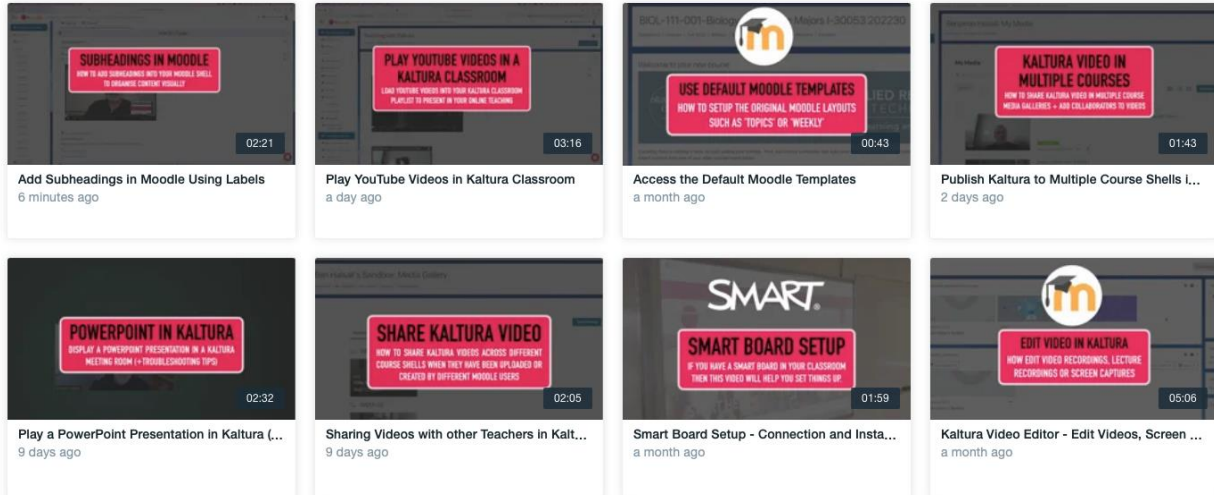
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Kaltura Virtual Classroom & Video Tools

If you are using video in your Moodle shells or planning to present your classes in a virtual classroom, then Kaltura has the tools you need. This intuitive tool allows you to present PowerPoints, play YouTube videos and create breakout rooms. It has excellent video integration with Moodle that makes it an excellent tool for presenting, recording, and sharing video with your classroom.

If you have questions about Kaltura please do not hesitate to contact the LAR team for technology support and assistance. You can also check out our Kaltura video resources in the [Learning and Applied Research Knowledge Base](#).



Caption: Support videos are available on the Learning and Applied Research Knowledge Base

[BCcampus:](#)

FLO MicroCourse: Hybrid Learning

Sept. 19-25 [Register here](#)

FLO MicroCourse: Developing Anti-racist Pedagogies

October 17-23 *Registration Coming Soon!*

Research Speaker Series

Oct. 4 @ 11:00 am – 12:00 pm *Registration Coming Soon!*

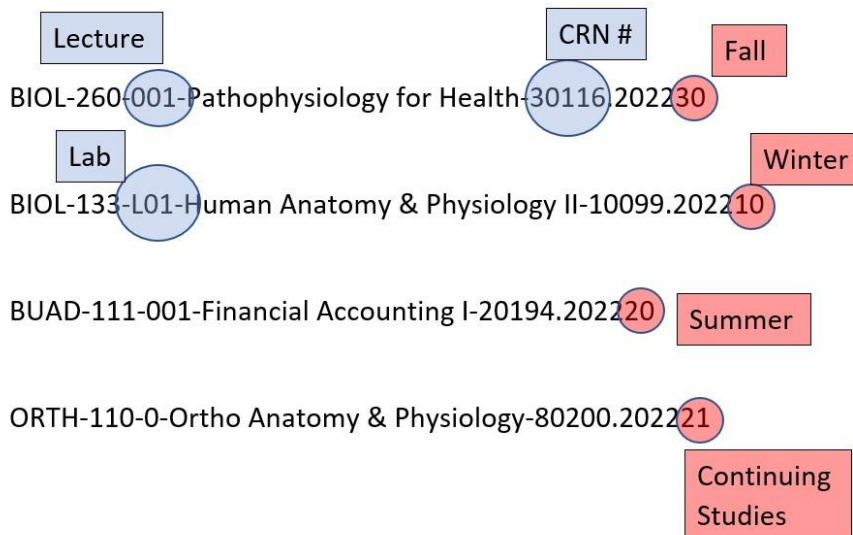
FLO MicroCourse: Create Your Own Alternative Assessment

October 24-29 [Register here](#)



Deciphering the Moodle Course Name

Have you ever wondered what all those numbers mean after a course name in Moodle?



Interesting [Podcasts](#)

Please check out our new podcast section of the Bi-weekly. The podcast is called “Our Teaching Practice” and explores the experiences of Okanagan College instructors and faculty associated with their day-to-day teaching practice. Visit [Our Teaching Practice](#) to listen in.

Respondus 4.0 Annual Installation Password Update

Each year the password for Respondus 4.0 is updated. Contact edtech@okanagan.bc.ca to receive the new one. Respondus 4.0 is used for question bank imports.



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Curious About Applied Research Opportunities for Your Students?



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Meet the BC BTAC team (British Columbia Beverage Technology Access Centre)



WESLEY PETERSON
General Manager, BC BTAC

Wes leads the Centre to support research, development and innovation for the beverage sector across Canada as part of its joint mandate between Okanagan College and the Natural Sciences and Engineering Research Council (NSERC) in Ottawa.



CATHERINE KUBIS

Executive Assistant BC BTAC
Catherine Kubis joined the BC Beverage Technology Access Centre in 2019 as the Executive Assistant, and is excited to continue advocating and learning more about the fermented beverage industry in the beautiful Okanagan Valley.



BEN ISAKSEN
Laboratory Technician

Ben is the most recent addition to the team at BCBTAC but that doesn't mean he's a stranger to wine. He has for the last 20 years been involved in the Okanagan wine industry in varying capacities – from Sommelier to vineyard supervisor/cellar assistant to Lab Technician at Okanagan Wine Lab.



DR. LEONARD LERMER
Chemistry Professor, Okanagan College

Leonard Lerner was involved with the initial application for the BC BTAC and continues to stay on as a researcher. He has been teaching organic chemistry and involved in many interdisciplinary research projects for more than 20 years.



JANICE ACIO
Laboratory Technician

Janice Acio is a Laboratory Technician who uses her knowledge of chemistry and instrumentation to perform analysis on fermented beverages at BC BTAC. Following her BSc in Chemical Engineering from University of Negros Occidental Recoletos, Philippines, Acio worked with well-established beverage companies such as Arterra Wines Canada and Coca Cola Bottlers



DR. SONJA LLOYD
Laboratory Technician

Sonja Lloyd recently joined the BC Beverage Technology Access Centre as Laboratory Technician where she handles all things microbiology. Sonja has worked with microbes in one form or another for the past twenty years.



SAVANNA MADDOX

Microbiology Lab Technician
Savanna Maddock is a recent hire of BCBTAC working on microbial testing and research on beverages. She has a background in microbiology and horticulture and is currently working on her master's degree studying Cannabis genetics.

BC BTAC is funded by the Natural Sciences and Engineering Research Council and is located at our Penticton campus, which supports the Canadian beverage industry's innovation and growth. Our team in Penticton provide a comprehensive range of expert analytical, commercial, and sensory services and resources. If you have questions or just curious, please visit our [website](#) or contact the [BC BTAC](#).

Our LAR team is here to help you with your instructional questions using Moodle and innovative ways to teach online, and we look forward to working with you to show you how to get the most out of the experience. Reaching us by our email at [LAR](#) is the **very best** way to



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connect with us. We aim to respond as soon as we are able so that we can support you in finding good solutions to your questions. Please ensure you include the detailed course name and as much information as you can when making an inquiry.



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