Faculty Blackboard Bulletin, Fall Semester 2019

Questions? Please use the IT Help Desk: http://www.wpunj.edu/help

I. Academic honesty tools

Following a pilot and subsequent poll of faculty and multiple Turnitin service interruptions in spring 2019, the Director of Instruction and Research Technology advised the Provost’s Office to switch from Turnitin to SafeAssign, effective 09/19/2019. If you need papers you’ve saved in Turnitin, please download them in advance of this date. We are confident that SafeAssign will serve the institution very well going forward.

See SafeAssign documentation in the Assessments module of the Bb Faculty Support page: https://itwiki.wpunj.edu/index.php/Category:Blackboard_-_Faculty#Assessments

II. New Course ID and Course Copy

The old course ID and the course name were identical, making it easy to copy content between semesters. Over the summer the course ID has changed to the YearSemesterCERN and can be found any number of places, including your Bb Course Roster:

![My Courses]

Courses where you are: Instructor
20194046471: 201940-HIST1000-070

When copying courses use the old format for the origin course and the new format for the destination course.

III. Assistive Technology

All faculty want to ensure that the content in our courses is accessible to learners, regardless of their accessibility needs, and Blackboard Ally is a useful tool for reaching out to all learners. See this presentation for more information:

To learn more about Blackboard Ally, please visit http://bit.ly/wpu-bb-allyLMS or reach to any of our team members in the Center for Teaching with Technology.