Blackboard Collaborate Ultra is a real-time video conferencing tool that lets you chat, share files, share applications, and use a virtual whiteboard for instructor-to-student or student-to-student interaction.

umb.edu/elearning/tools/web_conferencing

Google Apps lets you collaborate with other Google Drive users using your UMass Boston account. Google Sites allows you to build a collaborative website (like a wiki).

umb.edu/elearning/tools/googleapps

The UMass Boston Blog Network allows you to create a website using WordPress.

blogs.umb.edu

Blackboard includes helpful tools for communication, content delivery, assessment, grading and more.

umb.umassonline.net

VoiceThread is a multimedia, cloud based tool in Blackboard, that lets you narrate Power Points, assign group projects and more.

umb.edu/elearning/tools/voicethread

iClicker is a student response system with easy-to-use, hand-held remotes. Take attendance and give quizzes.

umb.edu/classroom-polling

Echo360 is an Active Learning Platform that combines video, lecture capture, polling and course analytics.

echo360.umb.edu

The Blackboard App/Blackboard Instructor App allow students and faculty to access course material, participate in discussions, submit assignments, attend Collaborate sessions, and more on a mobile device.

umb.edu/elearning/tools/voicethread

Turnitin is a plagiarism prevention tool that checks students' papers for proper citation and provides an opportunity for instructor feedback.

umb.edu/plagiarism-prevention

Respondus is a Windows-based tool that enables faculty to build exams in Microsoft Word and import the files into Blackboard.

umb.edu/elearning/tools/respondus
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Our expert instructional designers, technology specialists, trainers and systems administrators provide support for effective use of many educational technologies, tools and resources.

An integrated tool that automatically identifies inaccessible course content, provides instructions and support to replace inaccessible content, and develops awareness about accessibility issues that hinder learners.

[umb.edu/elearning/accessibility](umb.edu/elearning/accessibility)

Provides “just in time” video training on Microsoft Office, Blackboard, Adobe Creative Suite, and more. Plus, training in resume writing, research skills, and teaching online.

[umb.edu/hoonuit](umb.edu/hoonuit)

Members of eLearning and Instructional Support can help faculty find Open Educational Resources to replace expensive textbooks and reduce schooling costs for students. Write to [elearning@umb.edu](mailto:elearning@umb.edu) for help or visit the website below for a list of OER resources.

[open.umb.edu/find-oer](open.umb.edu/find-oer)