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CHECK THIS TECH! *innovative teaching tools & services*

REFRESH YOUR CACHE

The cache on your browser can cut down on download time. However, sometimes it can cause problems (including the latest issue of disappearing content in Blackboard Content areas). You can often fix these by bypassing the cache entirely and refreshing it

If you are interested in learning how to do this, check out [Refresh Your Cache](#) and [18 Ways to Clear Your Cache](#) for step-by-step directions on how to do it.

wikiHow

Did you know?

Tips for faculty

Some tidbits for Blackboard...

Do you know what all those symbols mean that show up in your Blackboard Grade Center? Just click the button "Icon Legend" located at the bottom right of the Grade Center screen and get a complete list.

Did you know if you hide a column from yourself on the Grade Center your students can still see it? To prevent confusion, always hide from student view first, then from instructor view. If you forget and lose a column, go into Manage, then Column Organization, mark the checkbox of the grayed-out row that you want to show. Select "Show/Hide selected" just below the bottom of the list. You'll then be able to see it again!

Use this [Planning Calendar](#) as you plan your next semester.

Faculty Watercooler

Faculty discussions on subjects that matter to you

Summer has arrived! We hope you had a very successful semester, and are anticipating a restful summer break. Don't forget, this is also a great time to work on your professional development, if you are so inclined. If you have an interest in course design, pedagogy, course materials development, or Best Practices, the Center for Teaching and Learning is here all summer, and we would be happy to set up a time to meet with you or your department.

If you want to know what's "on the horizon" for Higher Ed., be sure and join us on May 23, and every following Tuesday, at 3:00 pm for the online [Horizon Report Virtual Conference](#). See the UCM Daily for more information.

Keeping Up

The latest in Teaching and Learning



[Three Effective Techniques for Brainstorming Ideas](#)

"One of the most important skills for succeeding in school and in the workplace is coming up with new and creative ideas. The best ideas are the ones that solve problems or make our lives easier. While taking action is extremely important, (sic) without good ideas, those actions are ultimately good for nothing." Dustin Lee, January 2016, Edudemic.com



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