



CS114

Academic Strategies for the IT Professional

Seminar 1

Agenda

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1. Brief Introduction & My Contact Information
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Introduction

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Adjunct Faculty – Information Technology

Academically

- 7 Conferred Degrees:
 - Bachelor's: Classical and Medieval Studies, Philosophy, Geoscience
 - Master's: Linguistics, Mathematics, Management Information Systems, American History
- Working on M.S. Data Analytics

Professionally

- Teaching at the college level since 2003

Personally

- Ohio native, currently living in Buffalo, NY
- Author of 4 novels

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Seminar Practice

Zoom



Goal:

In addition to your course materials, students will learn how to use industry-standard tools through the use of practice during seminar.

Seminar Practice

Zoom

In seminar, it is expected that you will interact...

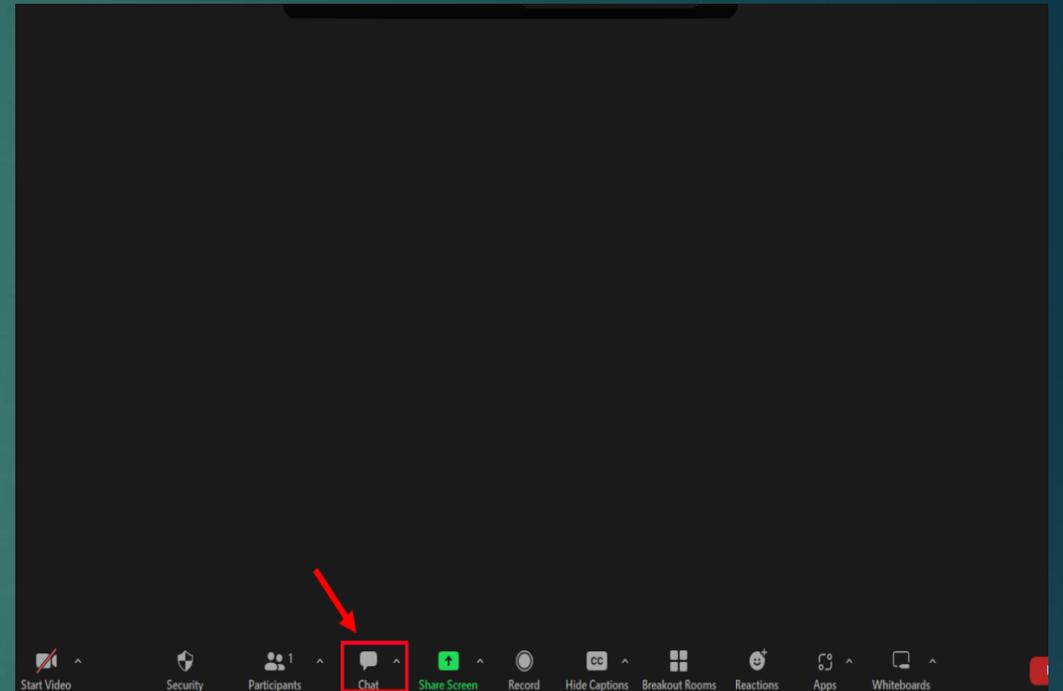
Let's practice a few tools that can help you interact in this virtual environment

Seminar Practice

Zoom

Using the Chat in Zoom, answer the following question:

If you were a kitchen appliance, which one would you be and why?



Within Zoom locate the menu bar and click on Chat to expand/collapse the chat

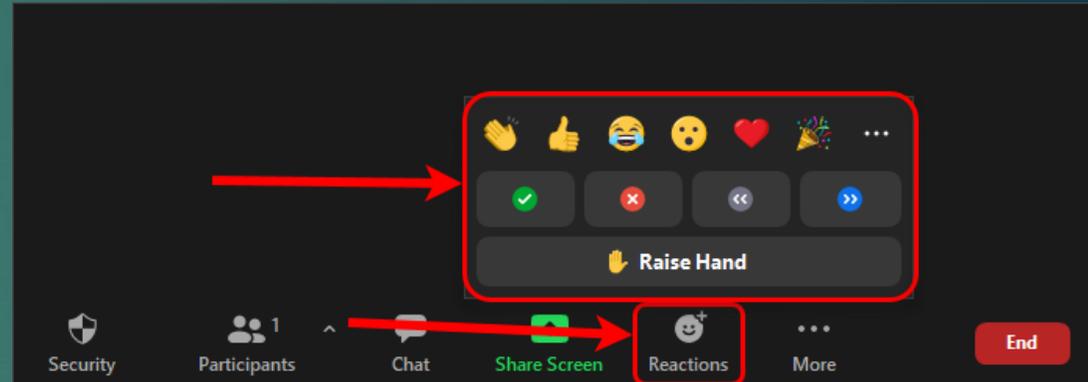
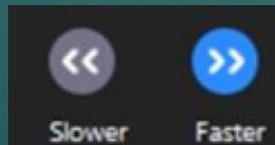
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Seminar Practice

Zoom

Using the Reactions in Zoom, select your favorite reaction.

For instruction, please also note these reactions that not easily apparent:



Within Zoom locate the menu bar and click on Reactions to expand/collapse the Reaction menu and select your reaction

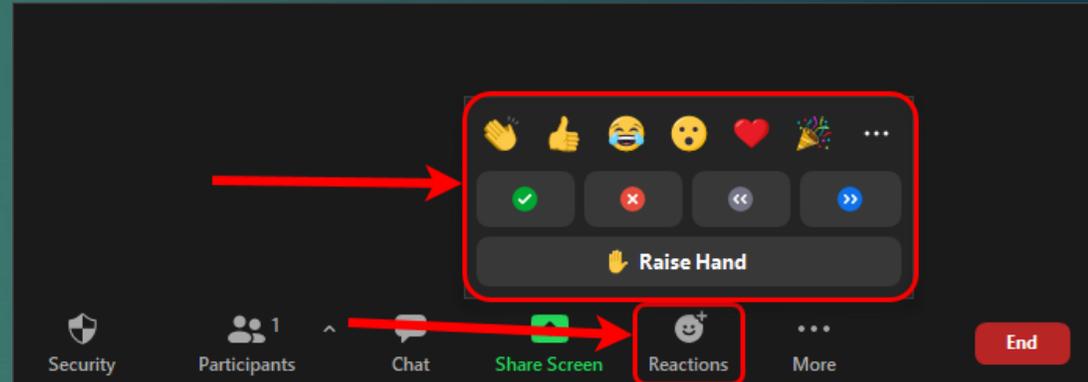
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Seminar Practice

Zoom

Using the Reactions in Zoom, raise your hand.

When you have a question, in addition to using the chat or reactions, this is a great way to alert me of your question!



Within Zoom locate the menu bar and click on Reactions to expand/collapse the Reaction menu and select Raise Hand.

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Why Interaction?:

Providing interaction is a quick interim assessment allowing me to gauge where everyone is at with the content. Also, it allows me the ability to provide an online kinesthetic learning experience for those types of learners.



Expectations

In class and online

Expectations

In class (Seminar)

- Please interact in each session
- Please do not delete other's work maliciously
- Please do not post, refer to, or otherwise call attention to insensitive or inappropriate work
- Please act in accordance with the handbook

Expectations

Online

- Please log in every day (if possible) or at a minimum every other day to stay on top of the content
- Please post in that week's discussion board on three **different days** to receive credit
 - The first post must be made by Saturday at 11:59pm ET
- In the discussion boards, initial posts (unless explicitly directed otherwise) **require a reference**
- Please ensure you plan your calendar correctly - we will operate this class on an ET schedule for deadlines
- Please communicate frequently with me regarding assignments, deadlines, and struggles (or wins!)

Scavenger Hunt

Assignment 1



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Updates

There are no current updates for CS114 Academic Strategies for the IT Professional

Announcements!

New Announcement

Certification Resources and Discounts



Posted Monday, May 13, 2024 at 1:23 PM

Earning industry certifications while you are working on your degree will greatly enhance your resume and career opportunities. Purdue University Global has an academic partnership with CompTIA®, and students can g...

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Updating the Zoom Seminar Client App



Posted Tuesday, August 22, 2023 at 2:30 PM

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Proposed Weekly Study Schedule

Each week, I'll put in a suggested pacing guide to help you progress adequately throughout the course, while giving grace to the other commitments you have at Purdue Global and in your daily lives. You do not have to use the pacing guide; however, it is strongly recommended that you do so. Should you need to work ahead of this module because of life circumstances, please email me directly at nicholas.mahoney@purdueglobal.edu.

Day	Task
Wednesday	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Review the Announcements for this course Attend Seminar Review the Supplemental Resources Module provided your professor for this course Familiarize yourself with Unit 1 of this course Start Part A: Explore Your Personality in the Discussion Board
Thursday	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Complete the Reading Material Complete the Challenge Activity (found in the Reading Material) Make flashcards for the 7 words in 7 days challenge (found in the Reading Material)
Friday	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Complete Part B: The Empowered Learner in the discussion board Continue to practice with your flashcards from Thursday
Saturday	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Post one response to a fellow student in the Discussion Board Ensure you post your initial response in the Discussion Board by 11:59pm EST Complete the Scavenger Hunt Assignment Continue to practice with your flashcards from Thursday
Sunday	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Plan for a rest day sometime this week to ensure you do not get burned out!
Monday	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Post one response to a fellow student in the Discussion Board Continue to practice with your flashcards from Thursday Complete the 10-question Quiz



Looking Ahead

For next seminar

Looking Ahead

Seminar 2

Please be prepared to use ChatGPT or similar tool to help with seminar 2 and your future studies.

- **Go to the website: <https://openai.com/index/chatgpt/> (for ChatGPT)**
- **You can use this service for free, but you may eventually be asked to sign up for an account.**
- **Other AI you may want to try:**
 - CoPilot (I find this pretty similar in functionality to ChatGPT, though it can't render Python code where ChatGPT can)
 - Gemini (good for searching)
 - Claude (better for math and coding)
- **Different AI are optimized for different tasks, so you may want to experiment to find the best one for what you need**



THANK YOU

Questions? Please contact me:
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