

## **Instructional Technology Update**

- Ally will be enabled for all summer and fall courses
- Zoom meeting with the CCC Accessibility/Technology Center on 4/4 from 1:00 pm-2:00 pm

### **Evaluating Instructional Materials in Canvas with Ally**

ACCESS, DE, and Faculty will be giving feedback on the pilot Ally group's feedback on 4/4

#### **Description:**

Testing website accessibility is commonplace with a variety of tools and resources available to scan and evaluate web content for accessibility issues. More difficult, however, is to evaluate instructional materials inside a learning management system (LMS), such as Canvas, and to identify proper remediation solutions.

Blackboard's Ally tool can assess online content in Canvas for accessibility errors and, more importantly, guide instructors on how to improve the accessibility of such content during the authoring process. Ally also has the capability for providing accessibility reports at an institutional level on the accessibility of online course content. Lastly, the Ally tool supports the option to generate additional alternate formats, such as audio files, MS Word files, or other electronic text versions, from instructional materials in non-HTML formats.

This webinar will share the implementation of the Ally tool from a college perspective, how Ally has been received by both students and faculty, training involved to educate the institution, and the use and functionality of the alternate formats. Bring your questions and hear about how Ally is being used to support accessibility for instructional materials.

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