Becoming a Successful Online Student

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What is Blackboard?

Blackboard is the web-based Learning Management System (LMS) you use to access your course learning materials and other relevant information that your instructor provides.
Browsers

Google Chrome and Mozilla Firefox are the most compatible with Blackboard.

Acceptable:
• Microsoft Edge - https://www.microsoft.com/en-us/edge
• Safari - https://support.apple.com/en-us/HT204416
How to Access Blackboard

1. www.lsco.edu
2. Click on MyGator button (top, right corner)
3. Enter your username and password
4. Find and click the Blackboard “card”
Click “Courses” on the left menu to view your current courses.
Student Resources in Blackboard

**Academic Services**
- Self Service Banner
- Online Tutoring
- Degrees/Certificates
- Important Dates
- Library Access
- Bookstore Information
- Learning Center
- Success Seminars
- Distance Education Resources

**Student Services**
- Help Desk Information
- Advising
- Financial Aid
- Tuition and Fees
- Records
- Admissions
- Policies
- Student Organizations
- Student Resources
Reliable Internet and Computer Access

When doing assignments and taking tests, use desktops or laptops. Do **NOT** use tablets or smartphones as this will not work properly.
Course Expectations

WHAT DID WE COVER IN CLASS LAST WEEK?
IT'S IN THE SYLLABUS.

WHAT'S YOUR LATE Homework POLICY?
IT'S IN THE SYLLABUS.

WHEN ARE YOUR OFFICE HOURS?
IT'S IN THE SYLLABUS.

HOW WILL MY GRADE BE COMPUTED?
IT'S IN THE SYLLABUS.

IT'S IN THE SYLLABUS

This message brought to you by every instructor that ever lived.
WWW.PHDCOMICS.COM
Read! Read! Read!

- Syllabus
- Schedule
- All instructions
- Course content

**NOTE:** Your courses in Blackboard will be available to you 48 hours prior to first class day.
Communication

- Email
- Phone
- Discussion Boards
- Classmates
Time Management

• Do not procrastinate!
• Make a schedule
• Monitor due dates carefully
• Study 3-6 hours or more each week per course
• Check your classes daily
Blackboard Trainings/Tutorials

Blackboard Online Student Training

If you need help learning how to navigate Blackboard, please attend one of these scheduled online sessions below.

Use the link below to join a session:

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How To Get Help

Monday – Friday 8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.
LSC-O Helpdesk: (409) 882-3033
E-mail Address: helpdesk@lsco.edu

Anytime (including nights and weekends)
Blackboard Helpdesk (toll-free): (844) 867-7324

Blackboard Help Videos

Videos for Students
Videos for Instructors
IMPORTANT: This tool is meant to help you stay connected to your classes such as staying alert with notifications.

It is *NOT* meant to be used to complete course work.
The End