Free Technology for Cyber-teaching, Cyber-learning & Cyber-evaluation

Steps to choose technology:

- 1. Determine instructional purpose.
- 2. Choose an institutionally supported tool if you can.
- 3. If not, consult the experts and choose a free tool.
- 4. Plan for student and faculty support.

Caution

Free collaboration applications and software always have at least one concern for use in educational settings. Consider privacy issues, FERPA regulations, embedded ads, technical challenges, lack of support.

Preceptor Calls

- Google docs (to sign up and provide information): http://www.google.com/docs/about/
- Google Hangouts: https://plus.google.com/hangouts
- <u>FaceTime</u>: https://www.apple.com/mac/facetime/
- Skype: http://www.skype.com/en/

Blog Platforms

- <u>Wordpress</u>: https://wordpress.org/ (to download the software), https://wordpress.com/ (to create a free blog or web site)
- <u>Blogger</u>: https://www.blogger.com/features
- Weebly: http://www.weebly.com/

On-call Exam

• <u>Free Conference Call</u>: https://www.freeconferencecall.com/

Web Conferencing

- Google Hangouts On Air: http://www.google.com/+/learnmore/hangouts/onair.html (allows recording)
- <u>BigBlueButton</u>: http://bigbluebutton.org/ (open source software)
- AnyMeeting: https://www.anymeeting.com/

Survey Tools

- Many free options available; use your LMS survey tool if possible!
- Google Forms: http://www.google.com/forms/about/
- <u>SurveyMonkey</u>: https://www.surveymonkey.com/