PICK A WEB CONFERENCING TOOL:
TO ZOOM OR NOT TO ZOOM

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AGENDA

- What tools are available at U of G
- Consider use cases
- Tour some of the tools
- To Zoom or not to Zoom
- Resources
- Q&A
WEB CONFERENCING OPTIONS

• **Virtual Classroom**
  – CourseLink’s integrated web conferencing tool for up to 150 students, OpenEd supported

• **Zoom Pro**
  – An OpenEd supported web conferencing tool for up to 300 students that can be integrated with CourseLink’s Content tool

• **Webex Meetings & Events**
  – A CCS supported web conferencing tool that can support up to 1000 students

• **Microsoft Teams & Teams Live**
  – A CCS supported tool part of the Office 365 suite that can support up to 250 (Teams) or 10,000 (Teams Live) students
PICKING A WEB CONFERENCING TOOL

• What do you want students to be able to do during your synchronous class?
  – Small group discussions?
  – Polling?
  – Invite in a guest speaker?

• Web conferencing feature matrix available on our new Remote Teaching & Learning website
  – [https://opened.uoguelph.ca/instructor-resources/web-conferencing-options](https://opened.uoguelph.ca/instructor-resources/web-conferencing-options)
WHAT CAN YOU DO IN A LIVE CLASS?

• Have a group of students teach a class for a day (allow students to share screen), each student can be responsible for leading small groups discussions (breakout rooms)
  – Virtual Classroom, Zoom

• Show students a short video (screen share + audio) and then have students discuss the video with guided prompts (breakout rooms)
  – Zoom

• Formatively assess students understanding (i.e., polling, annotations, reactions)
  – Virtual Classroom, Zoom, Webex, Microsoft Teams
**WHAT CAN YOU DO IN A LIVE CLASS?**

- **Pair students off to work on a question (private chat)**
  - Virtual Classroom, Zoom, Webex Meetings, Microsoft Teams
- **Collaborate within a Microsoft Office document (*i.e.*, Word, Excel)**
  - Microsoft Teams
- **Use a whiteboard to work through a problem or have students collaborate (annotation)**
  - Virtual Classroom, Zoom, Microsoft Teams
OTHER WAYS TO MEET WITH STUDENTS

• Host office hours, meet with students one at a time (waiting room)
  – Virtual Classroom, Zoom, Webex

• Meet with a group of students about an assignment
  – Virtual Classroom, Teams
# To Zoom or Not To Zoom

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