Blackboard Collaborate Virtual Office Hours

Creating Virtual Office Hours in Your Blackboard Shell

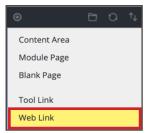
Create a link to Blackboard Collaborate on your Course menu

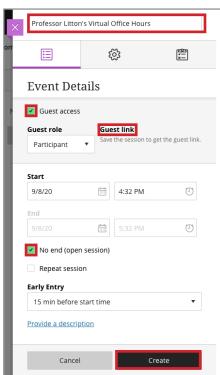
- 1. From the dropdown menu of the small + (plus sign) located above the blue menu in Blackboard, select **Tool Link**.
- 2. Type **Blackboard Collaborate Ultra** in the Name field.
- 3. Select **Blackboard Collaborate Ultra** from the dropdown menu.
- 4. Select Make Available to Students.
- 5. Click Submit.



Find the Guest Link to Blackboard Collaborate to post "Open Office Hours in additional classes (or to invite a 'Guest' into your Collaborate session)

- 1. First, select the **Blackboard Collaborate Ultra link** from the blue navigation menu bar in your course.
- 2. Click Create Session.
- 3. Enter session name: "[Professor/Dr.] [Last Name]'s Virtual Office Hours".
- 4. Choose guest access and no end (open session).
- 5. Click Create.
- 6. Copy the **Guest Link**.
- 7. The guest link to your Blackboard Collaborate room is now copied to your 'clipboard' and can be added to additional courses via adding a 'Web Link' to the menu via the + (plus sign) or to a Content page. Click on Build Content>Add a Web Link.





Content Area

Module Page

8. Students in the 'original course' can simply click on the Blackboard Collaborate link and 'Join the Session'.

For additional assistance with Blackboard or Blackboard Collaborate Ultra, contact virtualclassroom@irsc.edu.