

Collaborate – new domain for recordings

Class technologies recently made some changes to how they host and serve up recordings created in Collaborate Ultra.

This involved changing the domain used by the content provider where the recordings are hosted.

This has been tested on the University of Edinburgh network and all mainstream ISPs, however there are some organisations, especially those with stringent firewall configurations where this domain might be unreachable.

There is a simple method to test if this change will be an issue for our external end users or not, simply attempt to visit the URL – <https://test-sms.cloudfront.cdn.bbcollab.com/test.mp4> – if the video appears then no further action is needed.

Please pass this information on to any colleagues who may be working from an external site, especially colleagues who work from NHS sites as these areas tend to have the most stringent firewall configurations in place.

If any issues are identified, please let the Collaborate Service team know by emailing – IS.Help@ed.ac.uk – they will then be able to work with the external partner to have the necessary traffic whitelisted.

Informatics Teaching Festival 2021: Sharing experience and planning for online and hybrid teaching

The Informatics Teaching Festival is back for a second consecutive year.

Join us for the opportunity to:

- hear interesting presentations around lessons learned in the past year and good practice in online/hybrid teaching from colleagues and inspiring speakers from other schools
- listen to the feedback provided by student representatives regarding their experience with studying in an online/hybrid context
- listen to the feedback provided by teaching support and administrative staff as to their experience with teaching and administration this past year
- learn about new approaches to teaching and educational software
- share your own experience with teaching delivery, student support and course administration during workshops and informal GatherTown meetings
- reflect and come up with ideas together for improving our delivery of online and hybrid teaching, both as a school and in our different courses.

If you'd like to attend any of the following sessions, and are not a member of the School of Informatics, please [register your interest here](#), and a Collaborate link will be emailed to you in advance of the session(s).

Schedule

Topic and links to recordings	Date/Time	Resources
Opening/Welcome	Monday 7 June, 10-10.30am	Björn Franke
Keynote: Experience with online/hybrid teaching in 2 other schools	Monday 7 June, 10.30-11.30am	Charlotte Desvages Brian Rabern
Coffee break & GatherTown meet and greet	Monday 7 June, 11.30am-12pm	n/a
Student experience with online/hybrid teaching in 2020-21; Suggestions for the future	Monday 7 June, 12-1pm	n/a
Personal Tutoring and Student Support: Sharing best practice and providing views on upcoming changes	Monday 7 June, 2-3pm	n/a
Lectures in an online/hybrid context	Tuesday 8 June, 10-11.15am	Iain Murray Mary Cryan Fiona McNeill
Coffee break & GatherTown meet and greet	Tuesday 8 June, 11.15-11.45am	n/a
Teaching support staff experience with online/hybrid teaching in 2020-21; Suggestions for the future	Tuesday 8 June, 11.45am-12.45pm	n/a

<u>Practical sessions (tutorials, labs, workshops, etc.) in an online/hybrid context</u>	Wednesday 9 June, 10-11.15am	<u>Fiona McNeill</u> <u>Pawel Orzechowski</u> <u>Tim Drysdale</u> <u>Sharon Goldwater</u>
Coffee break & GatherTown meet and greet	Wednesday 9 June, 11.15-11.45am	n/a
<u>Case study: practical sessions in IRR and IPP</u>	Wednesday 9 June, 11.45am-12.45pm	<u>IRR/IPP</u>
<u>Case study: Teaching Ethics in Computing</u>	Wednesday 9 June, 3-4pm	<u>David Sterratt</u> email James for Shannon's paper
Assignments in an online/hybrid context	Thursday 10 June, 10-11.15am	<u>Padlet</u>
Coffee break & GatherTown meet and greet	Thursday 10 June, 11.15-11.45am	n/a
Exams in an online/hybrid teaching context	Thursday 10 June, 11.45am-12.45pm	<u>Padlet</u>
<u>Learn Foundations: UX (Emma Horrell)</u>	Thursday 10 June, 2-3pm	<u>Emma Horrell</u>
<u>Equality and Inclusion</u> (Decolonizing the curriculum and Congressive Teaching methods)	Friday 11 June, 10-11.15am	<u>Decolonizing the curriculum</u>
Coffee break & GatherTown meet and greet	Friday 11 June, 11.15-11.45am	n/a
<u>Final reflection, Informatics Awards Ceremony</u>	Friday 11 June, 12-1pm	will be uploaded after the session