Distance Learning at SUNY Suffolk

Did you know...

• SUNY Suffolk has expanded its online opportunities to now include:
  - 10 programs offered fully online
  - 12 additional programs available at 75% online
  - 10 programs available at 50% online

• This past summer, 207 faculty completed rigorous pedagogically-focused 4-week professional development training for teaching in the online modality

• Several faculty from the College were selected as SUNY Online Ambassadors based on their enthusiasm and effectiveness in online teaching, and for their advocacy for teaching in the online modality

• From March through August, 2020, 1,685 virtual seats were occupied by faculty seeking to learn more about best practices and the use of Blackboard for the delivery of online learning in pursuit of helping students to achieve academic success

• A new Faculty Resources page can now be found on the College portal under Suffolk Online, providing information on the use of Blackboard, Zoom, Open Educational Resources and the creation of accessible content

• In collaboration with the Office of Instructional Technology and Head Librarians on each campus, a loaner-laptop program was activated so that students could continue to participate in the SUNY Suffolk learning community

• In support of real-time online and combined online course offerings, the College adopted the use of Blackboard Collaborate to foster engagement with students; the use of Blackboard Ally to foster equity and accessibility for all; Blackboard Annotate for customizable feedback to students; and Respondus Lockdown Browser and Monitoring for supporting academic integrity in test-taking.

• Late start online courses are now available to students to expand opportunities for intellectual discovery

• The College engaged in the SUNY Online Institutional Readiness Implementation Plan process with the support of SUNY leadership and College leadership to develop strategies to ensure quality and continuous improvement in the distance learning programs