



SRSU Office of Academic Affairs
Spring 2024
Live Brown Bag Event

WHAT: Spring 2024 SRSU Instructional Services at SRSU Update

WHEN: Friday, March 1st, 2024 from 11:50am to 1:30pm





Welcome & Opening

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SRSU Office of Academic Affairs

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(...and some general housekeeping with Tim before
we get started...)



TSUS Shared Services Partnership

Sul Ross State University and Sam Houston State University

SHSU Online Team



Dr. Ruth Chisum – Assistant Vice President for Online Operations

Ricki Lee Hodges Neri – TSUS Blackboard Master Administrator

Ray Scheel - Assistant Director for Course Development

Jacob Spradlin - Director of Online Instructional Development and Support

Daniel Walker - Director for Online Technology Support Operations

Rachel Scherer - Senior Instructional Designer

SRSU Blackboard Support Team



Tim Parsons & Estella Vega – SRSU Blackboard Admins & Instructional Design Support



SRSU Office of Information Technology Team



Jacob Fuentes – Chief information Officer

George Hernandez - Director OIT Operations RGC

Paula Arredondo – Director of Networking Services

Paedric Rayburn – Network Specialist

Carlos Guzman – Network System Admin

Sarah Sheffield – Information Security Specialist

Dominick Percoco – Director of Academic Technology

Scott Polk – LTAC Helpdesk Coordinator

Juan Garza - Technical Support Specialist II RGC

Giselle Garcia- Technical Support Specialist II RGC

Sindy Ortiz -Technical Support Specialist II RGC

Manuel Martinez – Technical Support Specialist II ALP

John Chasteen – Technical Support Specialist II ALP

Cesar Sanchez – Technical Support Specialist II ALP





SRSU OIT Update

George Hernandez

Director of OIT Operations MRGC

with

Director of Academic Technology **Dominick Percoco**

QUESTIONS?
Q&A time with George & Dom!



SRSU Library Resources Update

Mike Fernandez

Head of Library Systems & Access
Eagle Pass Campus

QUESTIONS?
Q&A time with Mike!



SRSU Grants Supporting Tech & Student Success Update

Executive Grant Director **Kendall Craig**

with SRSU Title V DHSI Grant Directors

Joseph Olan (Culture of Care)

Michelle Lacey (Digital Transformation & Modernization)

QUESTIONS?
**Q&A time with Kendall,
Joseph, and Michelle!**



SRSU Eagle Pass ISD Dual Credit Program Update

Dr. Laura Payne

Dean of Case College (LASS),
Graduate Studies & Online Education

QUESTIONS?
Q&A time with Dr. Payne!



SRSU Division of Online Learning & Distance Education Quality Matters Update

Dr. Jennifer Haan
Director of OLDE

QUESTIONS?
Q&A time with Jennifer!



Instructional Services / Blackboard Support Team
Making the Transition to Ultra Course View in 2024

Tim Parsons

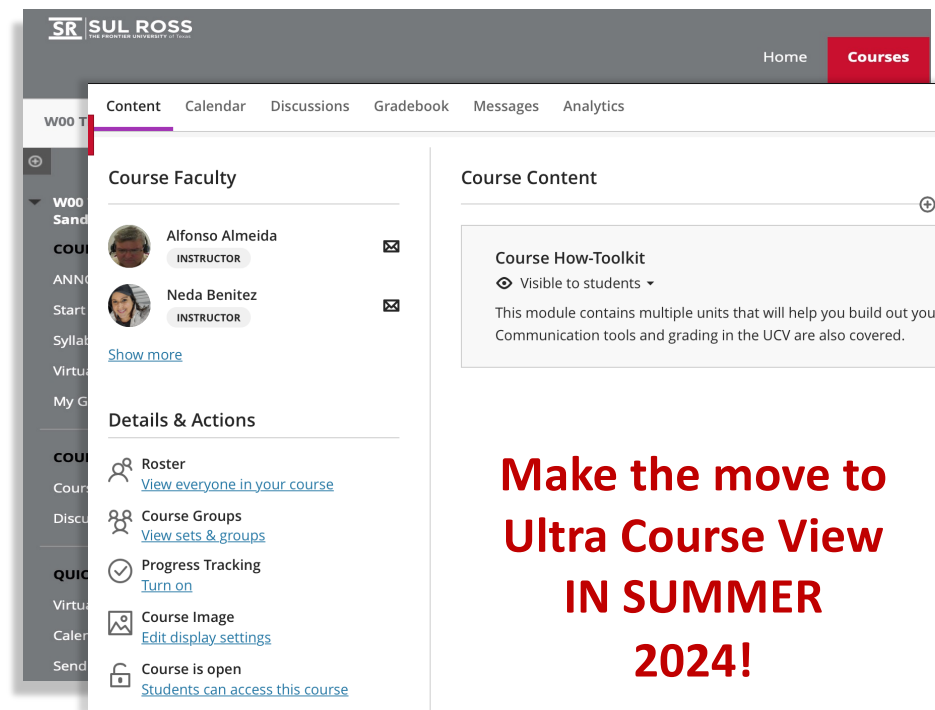
SRSU Instructional Services & SRSU Team Blackboard

QUESTION: How long do I have before SRSU moves completely to the Ultra in 2024?

ANSWER: Our TSUS Partnership would like for all partner schools to be completely in Ultra Course View by Fall 2024.

MEANING: SRSU online instructors should be actively moving to Ultra for summer / fall 2024 with the help of their TSUS-SRSU support teams.

SRSU would like to make a “soft” move to Ultra in summer 2024 ...IF POSSIBLE.



**Make the move to
Ultra Course View
IN SUMMER
2024!**

QUESTION: How can I start immediately transitioning my upcoming Blackboard courses to the Ultra Course View so I can be ready for summer or fall 2024?

ANSWER: Our Shared Services Partners at SHSU Online have procured the services of a company (K16) who has converted copies of SR Bb online courses from Fall 2022 to Sum 2023 (a course rotation) and instructors are now being added into these Ultra converted course shells.

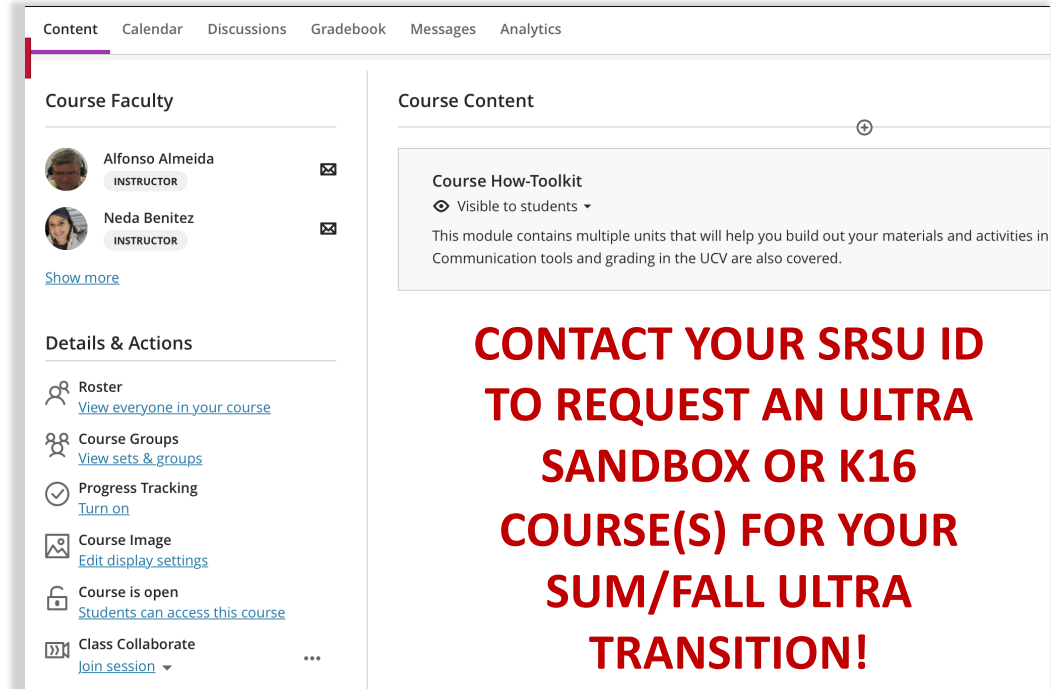
SRSU K16 Ultra Converted Course Support:

Tim Parsons - tim.parsons@sulross.edu

Rachel Carvajal (*Grad Bb Instructors*) -

rachel.carvajal@sulross.edu

We'll be contacting you over the next month (or please contact us)!



Upcoming March SHSU Online Ultra Training & Support:

NEW SRSU Faculty Instructional Designer Support email: IDSsupport@sulross.edu

SHSU Online Digital Teaching Webinars for March:

Some of these new March webinars are **30 minute "Ultra Express" mini-sessions OR new 1 ½ to 2 hour webinars!**

3/4/24 @ 3pm - What's New in Bb Ultra?

3/6/24 @ 3pm - Bb Ultra - Planning for Ultra Course View

3/7/24 FROM 2-4pm - Bb Ultra - Content Creation & Management

3/18/24 FROM 3-3:30pm - Ultra Express (Mini-Session) Content Creation

3/19/24 FROM 3-4:30pm - Bb Ultra - Communication and Engagement

3/20/24 FROM 3-3:30pm - Ultra Express (Mini-Session) Communication

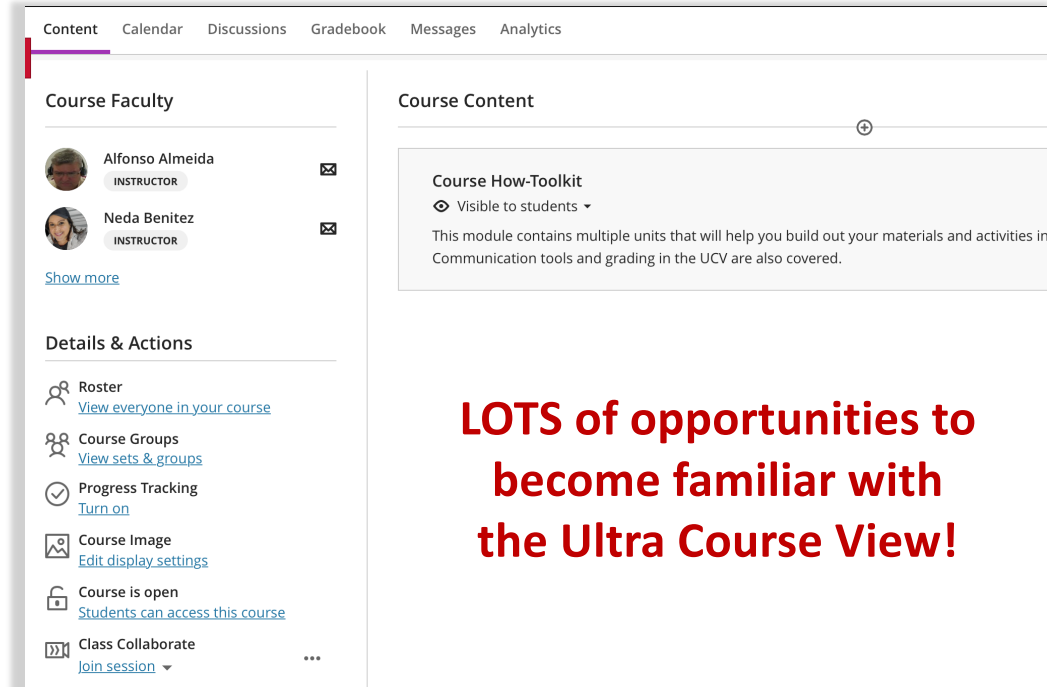
3/21/24 FROM 2-4pm - Bb Ultra - Assessments, Tests

3/25/24 FROM 2-4pm - Bb Ultra - Grading and Tracking Student Performance/Progress

3/26/24 FROM 3-3:30pm - Ultra Express (Mini-Session) Adding Assignments

3/27/24 @ 2pm - Feedback Strategies for Ultra Courses

3/28/24 FROM 3-3:30pm - Ultra Express (Mini-Session) Grading Student Work



The screenshot shows a Blackboard course interface. At the top, there are navigation tabs: Content, Calendar, Discussions, Gradebook, Messages, and Analytics. The main content area is divided into three sections:

- Course Faculty:** Lists two instructors: Alfonso Almeida and Neda Benitez, both with 'INSTRUCTOR' roles and email icons. A 'Show more' link is below.
- Details & Actions:** A list of course management options:
 - Roster: [View everyone in your course](#)
 - Course Groups: [View sets & groups](#)
 - Progress Tracking: [Turn on](#)
 - Course Image: [Edit display settings](#)
 - Course is open: [Students can access this course](#)
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LOTS of opportunities to become familiar with the Ultra Course View!

QUESTIONS?
Q&A time with
TSUS-SRSU Blackboard
Support Team!



Instructional Services / Blackboard Support Team

New SRSU Blackboard Tools & Features &

New Artificial Intelligence Certification in Blackboard Ultra

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SRSU Instructional Services & Team Blackboard

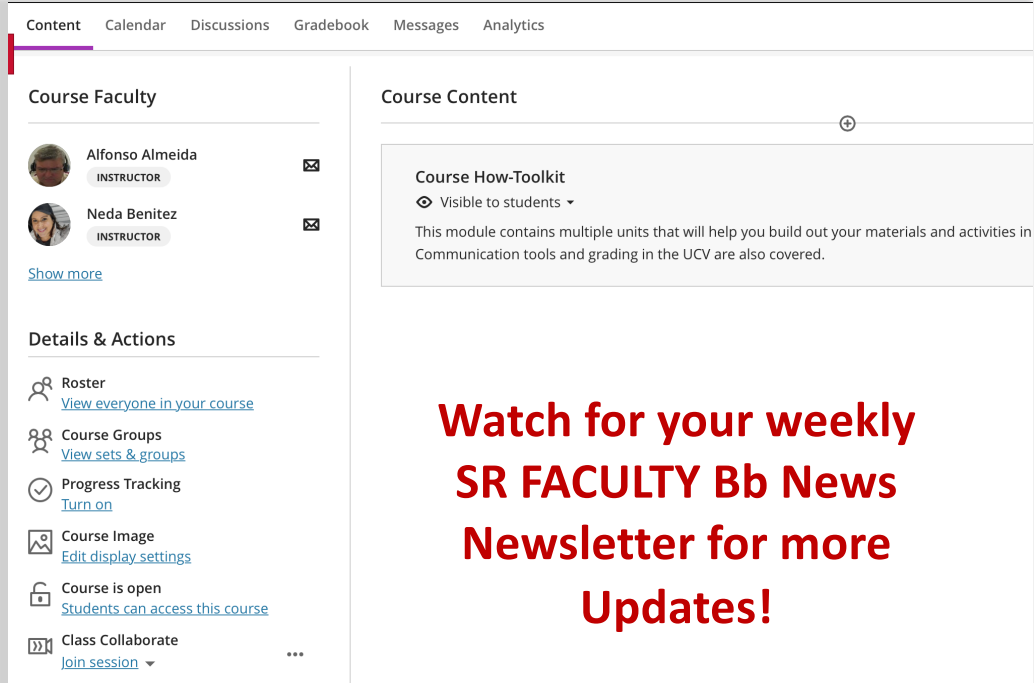
SRSU Blackboard Tools & Features Update:

SHSU ONLINE SPRING AI CERTIFICATION COHORT: Using Generative AI in Teaching & Learning

This 5-week cohort is fully online and asynchronous, so interact with the course and complete activities at a time of day that is convenient for you!

Spring 2024 Cohort: 3/18 - 4/19
(8 SRSU SEATS CURRENTLY AVAILABLE)

Enrollment for the Spring 2024 “Using Generative AI in Teaching and Learning” certification cohort is **OPEN!**



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**Watch for your weekly
SR FACULTY Bb News
Newsletter for more
Updates!**



SRSU Blackboard / Student Support

[Tutor.com](https://www.tutor.com)

Anthony Quintana

Coordinator of Tutoring Services/Advisor

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THANK YOU!

