Dear Colleagues,

As the leaves and weather are changing, so is CITAL. We are working to make our newsletter and content more responsive to faculty needs and feedback. Our **Blog** is evolving to include guest articles from faculty engaging in innovative teaching and learning, as well as continuing to include information on innovative technologies, faculty interviews, and initiative updates. With this change, our goal is to update the blog more frequently. Additionally, as we continue to enhance the CITAL website, the newsletter will focus on events and linking to resources as a way to better allow faculty to access information. Thank you all for continuing on this journey with us and please feel free to reach out any time with feedback at **CITAL@valpo.edu**

Sincerely,

The CITAL Team (Ed, Gina, and Cindy)

Thanks for Visiting Us!

CITAL held an open house on October 23rd and 24th in our new Collaboration Space in Kretzmann Hall 116/117. A total of 23 faculty and staff stopped by to see demonstrations of the technology in the room, provide insights on uses for the space, and give feedback on the role of CITAL in the future.

Also, four lucky winners were selected to receive a set of **Rocketbook Beacons**:
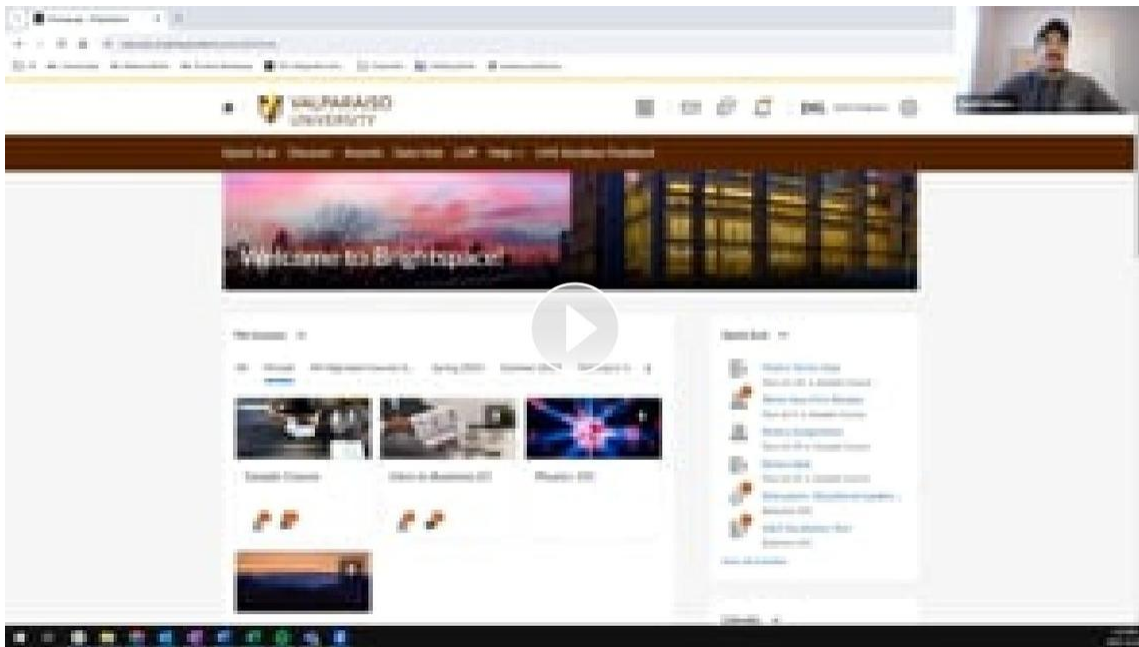
Dawn Bartusch

Heather Bricker

Lisa Jennings

Allison Urbanczyk

Thank you again to everyone who came out to see us. If you were unable to attend, please stop by and we would be happy to walk you through the space.

Campus Visit: In Case You Missed It

Representatives from Brightspace, one of the current Learning Management Systems (LMS) being evaluated, were on campus October 16-17. They welcomed faculty with a short presentation and demo about the features of the system, and were available to answer any questions. If you were unable to attend, Brightspace has provided a shortened version of their presentation below:

Please fee free to reach out to **CITAL@valpo.edu** with any questions.

Blackboard and Canvas On-Site Visits & Sandbox Sites

As a reminder, representatives from Blackboard Ultra and Canvas will be on campus for two days to hold eight individual 1-hour informational sessions in November. Each session will include an overview of the system, demonstrations and plenty of time for questions and answers. You can sign up for a preferred time here (although no registration is required.)*(Click on "Blackboard Ultra or Canvas Information Sessions")*
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You can test drive any or all of the LMSs that Valpo is reviewing including BrightSpace, Blackboard Ultra, and Canvas by requesting sandbox sites by filling out this form:
CITAL - LMS Sandbox Request

Come to a Simple Syllabus Workshop

If you'd like to get a head start on your Syllabi for next semester, CITAL can help. Gina Rue will be leading workshops to demonstrate ways to enrich your Simple Syllabus by using it to your full advantage. You'll get to look at features in the New View system update coming in Spring 2024. Attend via Zoom or in person at the new CITAL Collaboration Space in Kretzmann Hall. (Rooms 116/117)
Seats are limited. See the schedule and make your reservation here.
(Click on "CITAL Faculty Workshops")
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