

# Ad Hoc Committee on Complementary Digital Learning Platforms

On February 20, 2024, the University Council held a meeting where the council voted to “authorize an ad hoc committee to address the usage of complementary digital learning platforms on MSU’s campus” and referred the issue back to UCUE.

On March 5<sup>th</sup>, 2024, the Steering Committee approved UCUE’s recommendations on “the composition, method of selecting members, functions, and procedures” of the ad hoc committee.

## 1. Functions

- design,
- develop,
- deliver, and
- report on

a campus-wide survey on students and faculty satisfaction with their current usage of digital learning platforms

Questions that will be considered:

- Are complementary digital learning platforms supporting student success?
- Does the use of multiple digital learning platforms create accessibility and affordability barriers for students?

## 2. Composition/Method of Selecting Members

The committee shall be comprised of 5 total members:

- The UCUE Chairperson – Antoinette Tessmer
- 1 faculty/academic staff selected by UCFA – Andre Lee
- 1 faculty/academic staff selected by UCGS – Brendan Cantwell
- 1 representative selected by the Center for Teaching and Learning Innovation – Jeremy Van Hof
- 1 representative selected by MSU IT Educational Technology – Drew Beach

Representatives from the following units will serve in an advisory role to the committee:

- 1 faculty/academic staff selected by UCUE – Justin Micomonaco
- 2 undergraduate students selected by ASMSU - Hibah Khan & Kathryn Harding
- 2 graduate students selected by COGS - Astrid Olave-Herrera & (pending)
- 1 representative selected by the Office of the Provost - Renata Opoczynski
- 1 representative selected by the Enhanced Digital Learning Initiative - Caitlin Kirby
- 1 representative selected by the MSU Survey Committee - Renata Opoczynski
- 1 representative selected by the Libraries - Jessica Sender
- 1 representative selected by RCPD - Tyler Smeltekop

Each constituency should identify its representative by <date TBD>. Each should do so by procedures of their choosing

### **3. Procedures**

- Chairperson (Antoinette Tessmer) and Vice Chairperson (Drew Beach) to be elected by the Ad Hoc Committee members
- The committee shall prepare an interim report to University Council by the end of the spring 2024 semester with a final report with recommendations by the start of the fall 2024 semester

# Interim Report to University Council

April 19<sup>th</sup>, 2024

Two surveys were designed by the ad hoc committee, tested by the advisory group, and approved by the Campus Survey Committee on 4/12/2024.

One survey is to be delivered to all MSU undergraduate and graduate students. Those two groups represent those who are asked (required) to use various digital learning tools.

A second survey is to be delivered to all instructors who have a teaching responsibility in fall 2024. That includes graduate students, tenured faculty, fixed term faculty, and academic specialists. Those groups represent those who choose to use various digital learning tools.

On 4/17/2024 the Provost Office – Communications and Events agreed to distribute both surveys and suggested to postpone until September to support a higher response rate. The ad hoc committee will work with Communications and Events during August to prepare for September launch.

The ad hoc committee respectfully asks for a postponement of their final report until the end of fall semester 2024.