

## LfA Update – October 22, 2020

It is hard to believe we are at the midpoint of the semester and half a couple of months under our belt teaching in the LfA modality! Below are some important reminders and resources for you.

We want to be encouraging students (especially undergraduates) to come in-person to class. Please make it clear that you want to be there and that you hope they join you. With the LfA modality, each of us needs to put in a good faith effort to provide in-person components for our students especially since we know students can change their modality at any point. We highly encourage you to survey your students regularly so you will know who will be in attendance and you can plan accordingly. If there are students who would like to attend more often in-person, please try to accommodate them in your rotation schedule. Also, by surveying your students regularly, this will allow you time to notify your department chair if you will not be coming to campus. Adhering to daily attestation and weekly testing as dictated by your COVID category is crucial and individuals who are not adhering to the safety requirements will face corrective measures. Lastly, remember that in order for your class to go fully remote, you need approval from the Provost's office.

**Need help advising students on LfA?** Check out [Advising on LfA](#)

**BU Wheelock will be sending out a mid-semester survey early next week to students** focusing on LfA, academic resources, and well-being. The University Service Center will also be sending out a survey to all first year students centered on well-being. Please encourage your students to fill out these surveys.

Also, consider having your students complete a mid-semester course evaluation for your individual courses, if you haven't done so already.

**Still need help with Zoom?** **Zoom Guide Part 2, on [using Zoom in the classroom](#)**, is now available. Check out the tips, and follow the links to the Zoom-created and CTL-created video guides, as well. The videos in Part 2 now start with a time-stamp so you can see just where particular information is presented. As an example, check out [this short video on using Zoom's Chat feature](#).

**Are students able to use/find space on campus between classes?** Students now have an app to find spaces on campus to study in-between classes: here's the [story in BU Today](#), with information on the app and booking process. Students have mentioned the difficulty of managing the logistics of their schedules as one of the reasons they may not be making it to in-person classes, so here's hoping the app will help alleviate that problem.

**Looking for more resources?** Visit the [BU Wheelock LfA Webpage](#)