



IT Matters

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Laptops in Class: Pros vs. Cons



Should students be allowed to use laptops in classes? Are typed notes better or are traditional notes better? Read this article and find out if the pen is still mighty or if typed notes are the way to go.

[Laptops in Class »](#)

Keeping Passwords Unbroken



Passwords are your first line of defense. Will yours stand up to the test to protect you and your account? Or will your password leave your account vulnerable? Read this article and find out if your password will remain unbroken.

[Unbroken »](#)

New Year, New You



2015 saw a lot of faux pas in the tech world, both out in the public eye and here on campus. We've all committed these tech crimes, like constantly checking your cellphone while talking to someone or ignoring emails for over a week. Don't let yourself be caught up in these missteps steps again. Click below to find out the Top Ten Tech Faux Pas and how to leave them behind this year.

[Top 10 Faux Pas »](#)

PASSHE Virtual Conference: February 15-26th



Pennsylvania's State System of Higher Education will present an online conference, *Transforming the Teaching & Learning Environment* beginning February 15th. The 60 one-hour sessions are all delivered live via Blackboard Collaborate and allow you to interact with the presenters and your fellow participants. Sessions are chosen by selecting the best and most current sessions from other conferences in the past year. You'll have the opportunity to engage with education professionals from all over the world.

See the [schedule for the sessions](#) that run for one hour each from 9-12 and 1-4. You can view the sessions from any internet-enabled computer by clicking the “Join Session” link in the schedule and entering your name and Elizabethtown College (ie. Linda Macaulay – Elizabethtown College). All webinars will also be broadcast from N101, except for 2/26 from 1-4, which will be in N106.

[Register to Attend »](#)

Tech Gifts for Valentine’s Day



You waited until the last minute didn't you? It's ok, we have you covered. Check out this article for some cool Valentine's Day tech gifts for that special person in your life, and yes, you can buy them for yourself, too.

[Gifts »](#)

ITS Technology Workshops



- Every Tuesday or Wednesday 10:50-11:00 or Fridays from 12:20-12:30, in CETL - [Cookies and Canvas](#)
- Friday, February 12th, 2:00-3:00, in CETL - [Friday Live! Getting Started with a Flipped Classroom](#)
- Monday, February 15-Friday, February 26, 9:00-12:00 and 1:00-4:00 - [PASSHE Virtual Conference](#), in N101
- Friday, February 19th, 2:00-3:00 in CETL - [Friday Live! Improve Students’ Metacognition: Structured Peer Teaching for Learning and Problem Solving](#)
- Wednesday, February 24, 11:00-12:00 in N127 – Hovercam Training (No pre-registration required, contact macaulayl@etown.edu if you wish to join the webinar remotely.)

Users can view the entire [training workshop schedule](#) and register to attend workshops and webinars.

Tech Tips from the ITS Blog

[Canvas Tip of the Week: Ways to Get Help with Canvas »](#)

[Recent Updates to Canvas: December 2015 »](#)

[Canvas Tip of the Week: Where Did the Course Navigation Menu Go? »](#)

[Recent Updates to Canvas: January 2016 »](#)

[Format Painter in Microsoft 2013 »](#)

[Change Screen Size in PowerPoint »](#)

[Creating an Apple ID Account »](#)

[Recent Updates to Canvas - February 2016 »](#)



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