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Black History is Everyone's History

Innovative Learning recognizes the dedicated efforts across Humber to honour, acknowledge, and celebrate Black History, in February and through all 365 days of the year. These endeavours remind educators to look critically at teaching and learning practices and spaces through an equity lens.

Humber College is located within the traditional and treaty lands of the Mississaugas of the Credit. Known as Adoobiigok, the "Place of the Alders" in Michi Saagiig language, the region is uniquely situated along Humber River watershed, which historically provided an integral connection for Anishinaabe, Haudenosaunee, and Wendat peoples between the Ontario Lakeshore and the Lake Simcoe/Georgian Bay regions. Now home to people of numerous nations, Adoobiigok continues to provide a vital source of interconnection for all.

the Staff Lounge

New Episode Launched FEB 17

Confronting Anti-Black Racism in the Classroom

February is Black History Month and Black History is Everyone's History.

To recognize and honour the legacy and contributions of Black Canadians and to learn more about how Humber is acknowledging and celebrating Black History Month, our host, Shirantha Beddage, met with **Morris Beckford, Manager, Education & Training in the Centre for Human Rights, Equity & Inclusion.**

In this honest and thought provoking conversation, we reflect on how deeply entrenched anti-Black racism is in education and **how individual faculty members and educational institutions can respond to anti-Black racism and create a more just and honest educational system.**

"Transformation is about getting to a space where we're living the values we tell ourselves that we're supposed to be living—so values of equity, values of inclusion, building a sense of belonging for everybody. For me transformation is digging deep and going to the heart of why we got to this horrible place, in the first place. It's making sure we understand it so we don't do it again. That to me is what transformation really looks like."

— Morris Beckford, Manager, Education & Training, Centre for Human Rights, Equity & Inclusion.

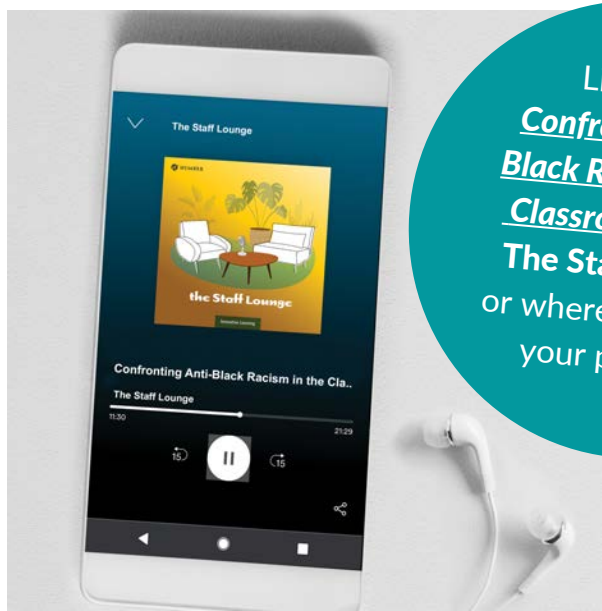
References from this Episode:

- *Assassination of the Black Male Image* by Earl Hutchinson
- *Critical Theory: Pathway From Dichotomous to Integrated Social Work Practice* by Lorraine Moya Salas, Soma Sen, & Elizabeth A. Segal
- *Black Skin, White Mask* by Franz Fanon

More Resources on Confronting Anti-Black Racism:

- > [Black History | Heritage 365 events](#)
 - > [Humber Centre for Human Rights Equity & Diversity](#)
 - > ["Black History is Everybody's History: Do you know?"](#)
- Check the Humber Communiqué daily in February!

SUBSCRIBE to the Staff Lounge podcast TODAY at Humber's Innovative Learning!



Listen to
Confronting Anti-Black Racism in the Classroom now at
The Staff Lounge
or wherever you get
your podcasts.

Celebrate and recognize the great work your colleagues are doing. Nominate them for the Humber **Innovation of the Year Award 2022**.

Innovation of the Year Award 2022

This award recognizes employees who have designed and implemented a significant innovation that **positively impacts the learning of students in the College**. In addition to the recognition within Humber, one innovation will be submitted to and recognized at the ***League for Innovation***.

For more information and to make a submission, ***see the attached nomination form***.

Submit your nomination package to ***falisha.rowe@humber.ca*** no later than **March 4, 2022**.



Perspectives

What We've Learned

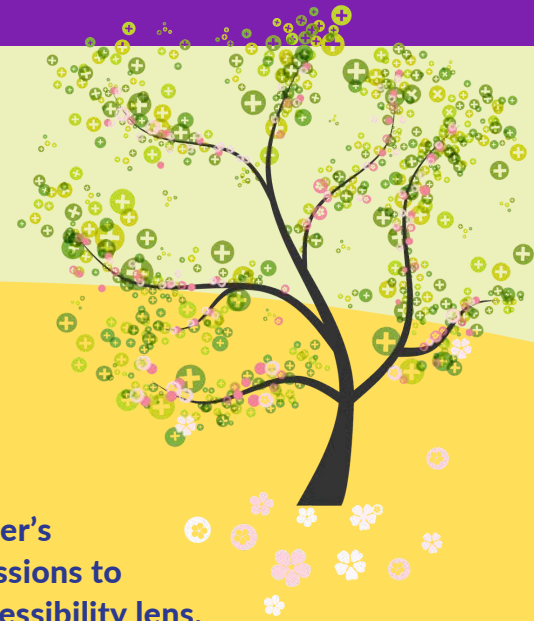
Call for Proposals
Deadline: February 28th

For more information
<https://humber.ca/innovativelearning/pttc2022/>



**Register
Today!**

Faculty ED-Venture Week March 1—4



Join us this Reading Week to rest, reflect, and recharge. Humber's Innovative Learning teams bring four (4) days of interactive sessions to support teaching and learning through an ever-broadening accessibility lens.

Schedule at-a-glance

DAY 1 (March 1)

- 9:30—11:00AM Blackboard Ultra: Learning the Ins and Outs of Groups and Group Assignments
- 11:00AM—12:00PM Blackboard Learn Basic Ultra*
- 12:00—1:00PM Back to Basics: Avoiding Burnout and Conducting a Mid-Semester Review of Course Goals
- 1:30—2:30PM Creating And Sharing Inclusive and Accessible Videos
- 2:30—4:00PM Introducing Research and SoTL

DAY 2 (March 2)

- 9:30—11:00AM Blackboard Ultra: Mastering Test Settings
- 11:00AM—12:00PM Q&A with Experts: Blackboard Learn Ultra*
- 12:00—1:00PM Best Practices for Online Teaching: Moving Forward
- 1:30—2:30PM Using Panopto's In-video Quizzes & Discussions Threads to Support the Learning Experience

DAY 3 (March 3)

- 9:30—11:00AM Blackboard Ultra: 7 Tips to Make Using Gradebook a Breeze
- 11:00AM—12:00PM Blackboard Collaborate Basics*
- 12:00—1:00PM Micro-credentials that Mean Something
- 1:30—2:30PM How to Create a Video Assignment Using Panopto in Blackboard Ultra

DAY 4 (March 4)

- 9:30—11:00AM Moving Your Live Class Video Sessions from Blackboard Collaborate to Microsoft Teams
- 12:00—1:00PM Strategies To Facilitate Group Work and Collaboration in the In-person Classroom

* Blackboard Live Webinars. Separate registration is required. We'll get you there!

Visit the IL website to learn more and to register!

Padlet™ Licenses for Faculty and Staff

Padlet™ is a fantastic educational technology tool that allows educators and students to collaborate in real time or asynchronously in a shared digital space.

Padlet is an interactive board where participants can share text, images, videos, links, files, and much more.

The great news? Humber's Centre for Innovative Learning has many Padlet licenses to offer faculty and staff to leverage the power of collaboration and creativity.

Faculty at Humber are already using Padlet to engage their learners in:

- introductory activities;
- ideation exercises;
- showcasing student work in virtual galleries;
- having online discussions;
- sharing and collecting resources;
- building student portfolios;
- and much more!



Great for
work groups
too!

Our Padlet licenses are ideal for users who need **more than 3 individual Padlet boards throughout the semester, or require more than 25MBs for file uploads.**

If you'd like to request a license, please fill out this simple online form: [Padlet License Sign-out Request](#).

More questions about Padlet or the licenses? Email us at edtech@humber.ca.

Help yourself to some Padlet video snacks!



- [How To Use Padlet In 10 Ways For Teaching - New 2021 Tutorial](#) (12 minutes).
- Brief [Introduction to Padlet](#) (1:43 minutes).
- If you have more time, enjoy [this recording of a recent Padlet training event](#) (90 minutes).
- Share this one with your students! [How to Use Padlet for Students: the Basics](#) (4:05 minutes).

Time to Celebrate!

The Move to Ultra! **You did it!**

Thanks to the hard work of staff and faculty, **over 83% of the courses running in Winter became mobile-friendly, using Blackboard Ultra.**

Now most of our students can learn how they want, where they want.

Check out these celebratory videos. Listen to your Humber colleagues share their stories. Hear what surprised them, what they learned, and what made them dance with joy!



[The Move to Ultra | The Faculty Journey](#) (5:53)



[The Move to Ultra | Insights from Faculty](#) (3:56)

Blackboard Ultra Self-Directed Resources

The heavy lifting is done, but Humber's Innovative Learning teams continue to support faculty with training events and self-directed resources!

View Recordings from Previous Blackboard Ultra Training Sessions at [Faculty Blackboard Training](#).

Find Instructional Videos, FAQs and more on the [Move to ULTRA Kit](#)

FURTHER HELP & RESOURCES

- [Faculty Blackboard Help](#)
- [Instructional Support Studio](#)
- [Blackboard's Help Website](#)
- [YouTube Playlist for Blackboard Ultra](#): (Short videos. 51 titles!)

Blackboard Ultra Training

March Sessions

All Sessions Presented by Blackboard.
Registration Required.

Blackboard Learn Basic Ultra*

[March 1, 11:00 a.m.—12:00 p.m.](#)

Q&A with Experts: Blackboard Learn Ultra*

[March 2, 11:00 a.m.—12:00 p.m.](#)

Blackboard Collaborate Basics*

[March 3, 11:00 a.m.—12:00 p.m.](#)

Blackboard Collaborate Beyond the Basics

[March 8, 11:00 a.m.—12:00 p.m.](#)

Q&A with Experts: Blackboard Collaborate

[March 9, 11:00 a.m.—12:00 p.m.](#)

Grading and Managing the Gradebook in an Ultra Course

[March 10, 2:00 p.m.—3:00 p.m.](#)

Creating Assessments in an Ultra Course

[March 15, 11:00 a.m.—12:00 p.m.](#)

Improving Student Engagement Ultra

[March 16, 11:00 a.m.—12:00 p.m.](#)

Guide to Building Mobile Content

[March 17, 11:00 a.m.—12:00 p.m.](#)

Using Groups in Blackboard Learn Ultra

[March 22, 2:00 p.m.—3:00 p.m.](#)

Grading in Blackboard Learn Ultra

[March 23, 11:00 a.m.—12:00 p.m.](#)

*Part of Faculty ED-Venture Week.
Registration through Blackboard is still required to attend these sessions.