



**University of
North Texas**

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8 Commitments

C.L.E.A.R – Center for Learning Experimentation, Application and Research

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8 Commitments that create resiliency and ensure a world-class 21st century institution

UNT is known for world-class online courses and programs



Commitment:

- ✓ World-class online courses. All courses will represent best-practices in online education.

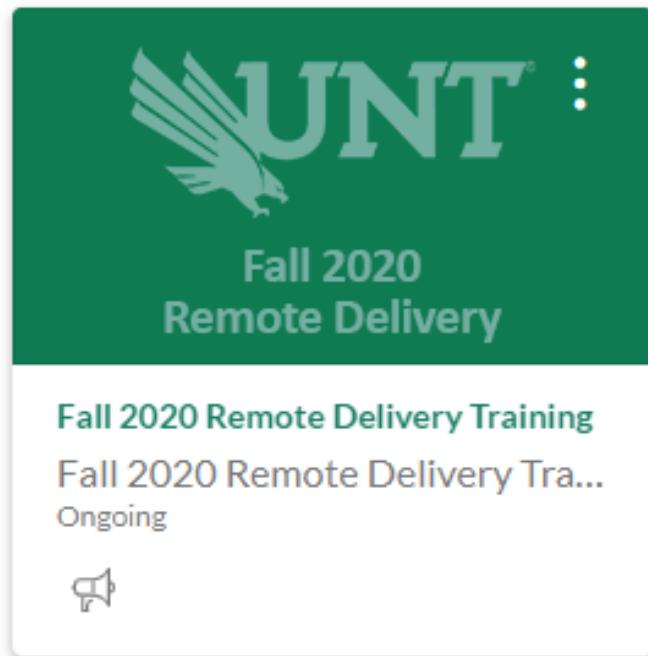
Actions:

- ✓ Integrated Quality Matters (QM) assurance check
- ✓ Instituted Course Development Models
 - ✓ Course In a Box – 3 intakes per year
 - ✓ Course In a Box+ - Programmatic/Strategic priorities

Instructor Support:

- ✓ <https://clear.unt.edu/services/course-development>
 - ✓ Online course development Request
 - ✓ Course Consultation Request
 - ✓ Multimedia Development Request
 - ✓ Online/hybrid course Review Request

UNT is known for world-class support for Remote Teaching



Commitment:

- ✓ Support for rapid transition to Remote Teaching and Learning.

Actions:

- ✓ Deployed the Fall 2020 Remote Delivery Training course
 - ✓ Provided the Remote Template for all Remote delivery courses.
- ✓ Provide a series of trainings including an 8-part series entitled Getting Started Online
- ✓ Instituted Course Development Models
- ✓ Stand up the Teach Anywhere and Learn Anywhere sites

Instructor Support:

- ✓ <https://unt.instructure.com/login/ldap>
- ✓ <https://clear.unt.edu/getting-started-online>
- ✓ <https://teachanywhere.unt.edu>

UNT ensures an inclusive environment



Commitment:

- ✓ Proactive universal design. All digital resources will be ADA/508 compliant.

Actions:

- ✓ Full-time Accessibility team.
- ✓ Full-time Copyright Coordinator.
- ✓ Instituted a process of course review prior to delivery.

- ✓ Created Diversity Action Committee

Instructor Support:

- ✓ <https://clear.unt.edu/services/course-development/clear-course-design-accessibility-and-or-copyright-consultation-request>
- ✓ Accessibility & Copyright webinars
 - ✓ <https://clear.unt.edu/events>

UNT champions high-utility learning technologies that lead to better learning outcomes for our students



Commitments:

- ✓ Integrate bleeding-edge technologies that impact learning performance.
- ✓ Reimagine Video conferencing.

Action:

- ✓ Integrate Classroom Support Services into the division – DSI Tech
- ✓ Ongoing testing of high-impact tech

Instructor Support:

- ✓ Zoom within Canvas
 - ✓ <https://clear.unt.edu/sites/default/files/getting-the-most-out-of-zoom.pdf>
- ✓ Zoom outside of Canvas
 - ✓ <https://classroomsupport.unt.edu/zoomtips>
- ✓ Available Supported Technologies
 - ✓ <https://clear.unt.edu/supported-technologies>

UNT is a leader in evidence-based instructor support & development



Commitment:

- ✓ Ensure no instructor left behind

Action:

- ✓ Crafted the Academic Development Team

Instructor Support:

- ✓ Faculty First Flight
 - ✓ <https://clear.unt.edu/programs-initiatives/faculty-first-flight>
- ✓ Monthly Seminars and/or Workshops
 - ✓ <https://clear.unt.edu/events>
- ✓ Teaching Resources
 - ✓ <https://clear.unt.edu/getting-started-online>
 - ✓ <https://clear.unt.edu/teaching-resources>
- ✓ Faculty Canvas Helpdesk
 - ✓ <https://clear.unt.edu/services/lms-support>
- ✓ GSTEP – Graduate Student Excellence Program
 - ✓ <https://clear.unt.edu/programs-initiatives/gstep>

UNT encourages experimentation and fosters an environment for research driven practice



Commitment:

- ✓ Created a new center for digital learning research.
- ✓ Created a new DSI XR Laboratory

Actions:

- ✓ Director of Research
- ✓ Current research projects
 - ✓ Physical Classroom
 - ✓ Virtual Reality Modules
 - ✓ AI supported Discussions

Instructor Support:

- ✓ CUFF– interested in joining?
 - ✓ <https://netdragon.unt.edu/faculty-fellows>
- ✓ Dr. Tania Heap - Tania.heap@unt.edu

UNT reaches new students and learners



Commitment:

- ✓ Grow inside and outside of DFW

Actions:

- ✓ New DSI unit – DSI Enterprise
 - ✓ Development of strategic corporate partnerships
 - ✓ Coursera: UNT BAAS
 - ✓ JP Morgan Chase: Certificates
 - ✓ MBA the Cowboys Way
 - ✓ ...
- ✓ New DSI Unit: DSI Growth
 - ✓ Relaunched UNT Online
 - ✓ Accepted applications in graduate online programs up 96%

Instructor Support:

- ✓ <https://teachanywhere.unt.edu>
- ✓ <https://learnanywhere.unt.edu>
- ✓ <https://online.unt.edu/>

UNT reimagines the physical classroom



Commitment:

- ✓ Create classroom environments that address the needs of the 21st century student.

Actions:

- ✓ New DSI Unit: DSI Tech
- ✓ Created a new taxonomy: Collaborative Learning and Active Workspaces (CLAW) classrooms – levels 0-5

Instructor Support:

- ✓ Teaching with Tech in the Socially Distant Classroom
 - ✓ <https://classroomsupport.unt.edu/teaching-with-tech>
- ✓ Searchable Classroom Database
 - ✓ <https://classroomsupport.unt.edu/faculty/classrooms>

UNT will streamline data to allow for shareable, consumable and actionable information



Commitment:

- ✓ Contribute to a high-utility campus central data hub by 2022

Actions:

- ✓ Work across IT services to improve digital pathways.

Instructor Support:

- ✓ Provide access to data for improvement in student retention and performance.
 - ✓ Coming soon

<https://clear.unt.edu>

How can DSI C.L.E.A.R help?

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