

As the upcoming semester approaches, Purdue University is pleased to showcase tools designed to assist instructors in enhancing classroom engagement. One of the key resources now available is the [iClicker Cloud](#), which offers seamless browser and app access for students at no extra cost. Additionally, [Brightspace](#), Purdue's comprehensive learning management system, provides versatile functionalities that can be tailored for a variety of instructional needs.

To further support instructors, we have outlined common use cases along with corresponding tool options. The table below offers ideas on how to effectively integrate these tools into a course. Explore these resources to enhance your teaching strategies and foster a more engaging learning environment.

Check out the [Instructional Technology website](#) for frequently asked questions and getting started guides. If you require assistance in navigating your options or tailoring solutions to your specific course needs reach out to our consultants by attending a [drop-in session](#) or emailing ilt@purdue.edu.

Classroom Engagement Options	
Attendance	<p>iClicker has the option of geo location for taking attendance and polling questions. This feature allows instructors to check for which students are within a set radius. iClicker can be linked to your Brightspace courses, and the roster can be updated with your course enrollments.</p> <p>Brightspace's attendance feature can be found under Course Tools.</p>
Pre-class check in / bellringer work	<p>iClicker has a variety of different polling question types such as multiple choice, target, numeric and short answer questions. These can all be graded in iClicker and synced to the Brightspace gradebook for easy grading.</p>
Short Answer/ Discussions	<p>You can use iClicker to gather anonymous synchronous feedback in class by using the short answer question type. iClicker's short answer question type also features a word cloud display that can showcase student responses.</p> <p>For asynchronous discussion, Brightspace discussion boards allow students to answer prompts and respond to each other in an organized manner.</p>
Self-paced in class quizzing	<p>iClicker Quizzing can be utilized to check students' knowledge in synchronous classes. This feature is great with questions that need to be discussed to reach understanding and allows for flexibility in asking impromptu questions.</p> <p>The Brightspace Quizzes feature is best for setting up asynchronous quizzes with questions that have a strongly defined answer for students to check their learning.</p>
Study Tools	<p>In iClicker, students can auto generate study tools like flash cards and practice tests using the questions asked in class. This can be found in the student's dashboards.</p>