

## **Biological Sciences and Allied Health RSI Plan April 2020**

### **Biology Department Choses Plan A**

**Plan A:** All courses will have at least one RSI activity per week. This requirement may be waived for up to two weeks in a 16-week course or one week in an 8 week course.

#### **Core RSI activities:**

Plan A: The majority of substantial interaction is through Discussion Posts with Student-Student and Student-Instructor interactions, Announcements with Activities (graded and/or feedback given) and Quizzes, Tests, Exams, and Essays with feedback (in Assignment Comments in Canvas). Additional mechanisms of RSI include grading rubrics that contain sufficient detail to provide substantive instruction and email messaging to students with substantive information utilizing Canvas.

#### **Volume of RSI Contact:**

Plan A: RSI in Biological Sciences and Allied Health occurs in many formats depending upon if it is a lecture, lab, or combined lecture/lab. Lecture courses concentrate on discussion boards and/or announcements with embedded activities with grading (usually with a rubric) and assignment feedback. Required is minimal of 8 Announcements per course (may have embedded graded activities). Required is a minimum of 5 discussions per course with instructors posting at least 10 times throughout the course. Required are 8 tests/quizzes/assignments per lecture course and 12 tests/quizzes/assignments per lab course. Instructors must provide qualitative instructional feedback on RSI graded assignments with a minimum response rate of 50% of students participating in that assignment.