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Echo30 is McMaster's institutionally supported lecture capture and engagement platform that integrates into Avenue2Learn, our course shell management system.

The use of an Echo360 Studio space will dramatically reduce the complexity and difficulty in providing a standardized environment for you to provide your instruction online, and your students to experience their online lecture material.

The Echo360 platform has been in use on campus for over 10 years and used by hundreds of instructors for engaging classes both large and small (over 5000 sessions recorded). We are working with the vendor and our campus partners to ensure you have the support you need to become familiar with the studio classroom environment and deliver your course content in September with confidence.

The Echo360 studio allows you to broadcast your lectures in real-time to students and simultaneously record the lecture to allow students later playback and review.

[Instructor Experience](#)

For you the instructor, use of the Echo360 studio entails showing up to a designated room on campus during the same time you are scheduled to teach your course this fall. Here you will find the same technology that is found in our recently-upgraded classrooms: an instructor podium, local PC with digital annotation, digital document camera, laptop connection, a touch panel to switch between video sources, and a desk-mounted microphone. We will also provide a monitor-mounted camera to capture your face during the recording, but use of this feature is entirely optional for your privacy and can be disabled for your recordings. When you are done, you simply leave the room and the recordings will be automatically saved, stored, and available to your students via a link in Avenue2Learn.

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[Student Experience](#)

From the student's perspective, they will sign into your Avenue2Learn course shell, and see a link for Echo360. There it will show all the scheduled and completed recording sessions.

Students will have the option of joining the lecture live as it is being recorded and can also review the videos after they are finished. There are numerous other interactive features at their disposal as well, including the ability to take time-stamped notes, build a study guide, and search across videos for keywords to aid in their studying.

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