

Comparison of Collaborate and Teams

Note: Blackboard Collaborate is not currently available. This document is intended to help compare functionality between Collaborate and Teams.

Blackboard Collaborate

- Regular session up to 250
- Up to 25 on screen at a time
- Built into Bb
- Chat files can be downloaded post-class
- Screen and application sharing
- Works on any device, allows device selection for presenting
- Breakout rooms - can auto-populate, manual, and allow participants to choose
- Can give BB groups their own room and even allow them to record
- No captions in session
- Recordings appear in Bb automatically/can be downloaded
- No auto captions – have to download and upload to external caption source e.g. YuJa, YouTube, or Stream
- Easy to share guest links
- Hand raise, emoticons, screen/app share, built-in poll option
- Can be used for Office hours (record optional), oral exams, presentations, role plays
- Can be in multiple sessions at once

MS Teams

- Up to 1000 attendees (view only mode up to 20,000)
- Up to 49 on screen at a time
- Auto-assigned a Teams Group for Class, instructor needs to activate
- Chat and files remain persistent with meeting
- Screen and application sharing, request control
- Works on most devices, best through app, allows device selection for presenting
- Has breakout rooms – can auto-populate or manual divide participants up
- Auto captions in session
- Recordings now saved in OneDrive → Recordings
- Auto captions videos (Stream) - searchable for key words in video content
- Hand raise, emoticons, gifs, screen/app share, Polls / Forms, file sharing in chat
- Can be used for Office hours (record optional), oral exams, presentations, role plays
- Can only be in one session at a time