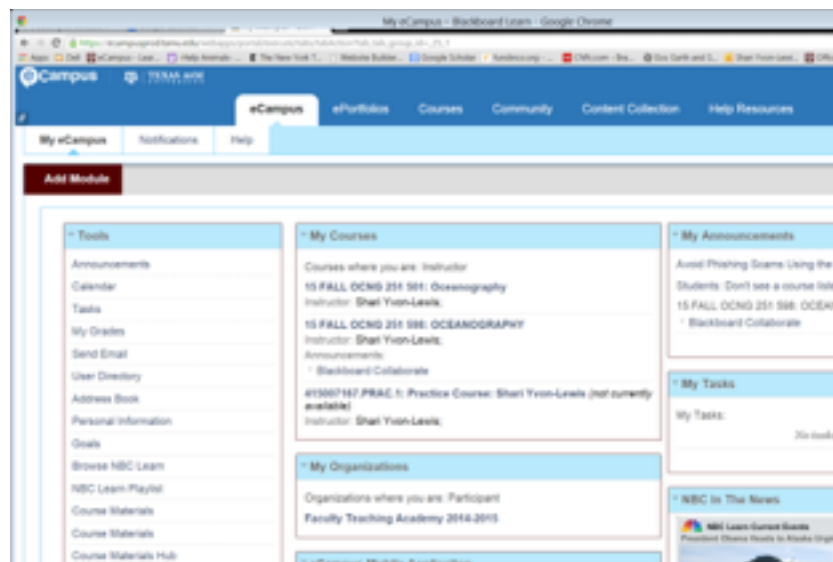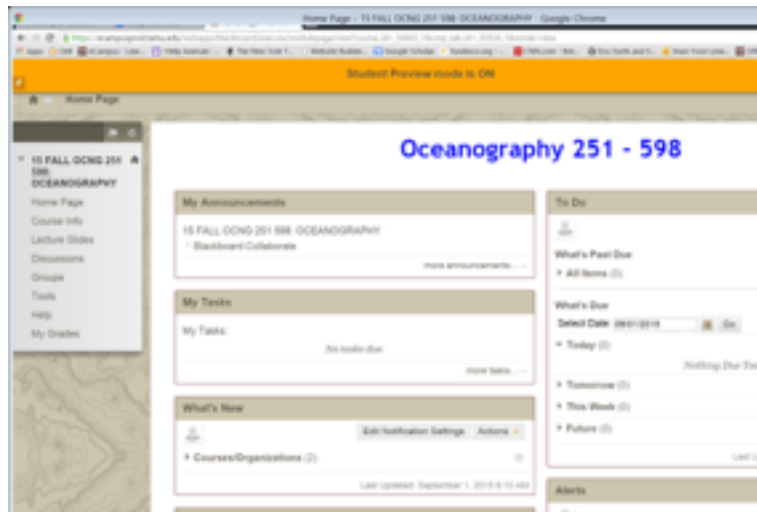# Blackboard Collaborate

Recommendations

1. Using a headset with microphone will reduce feedback.
2. Be sure to use a computer connected to a good internet connection. A wired connection or strong wireless signal is strongly recommended.
3. During the first few minutes of the first class, I will highlight the tools available to you for communicating with me during class.

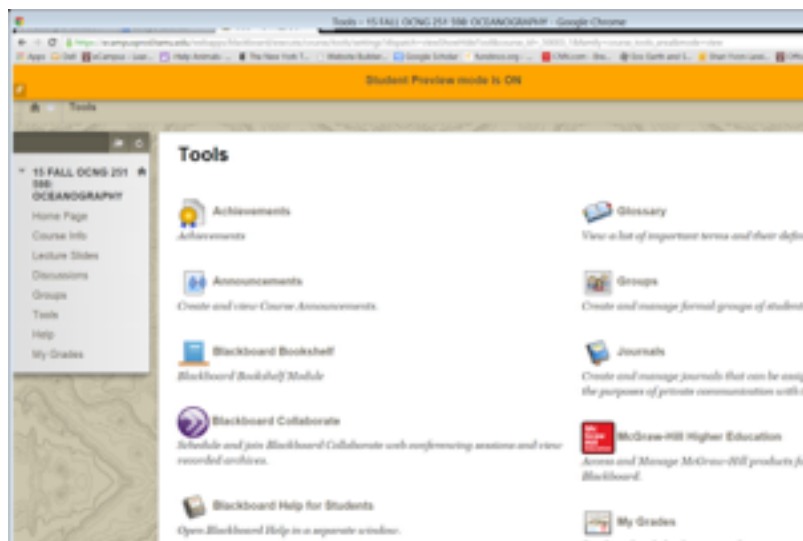## How to get to Blackboard Collaborate

1. Log in to eCampus (eCampus.tamu.edu). You should see a listing of your classes similar to:
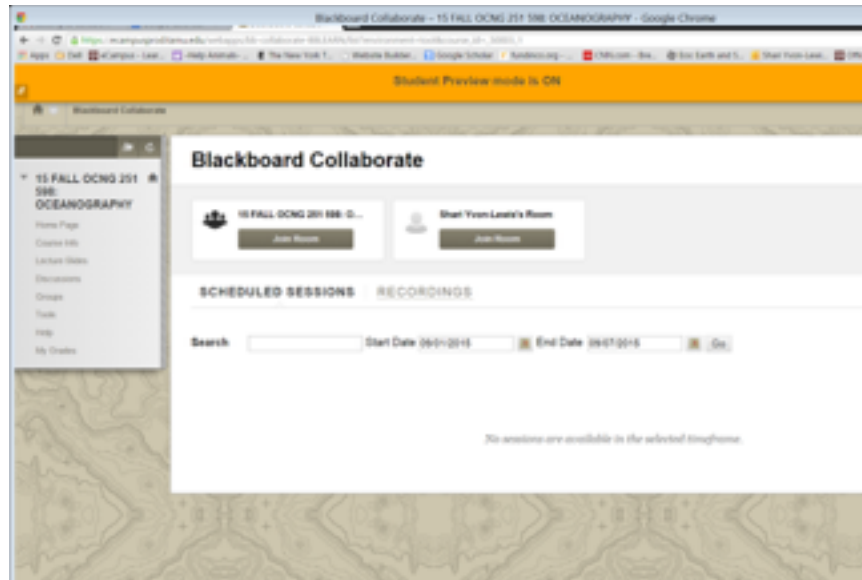

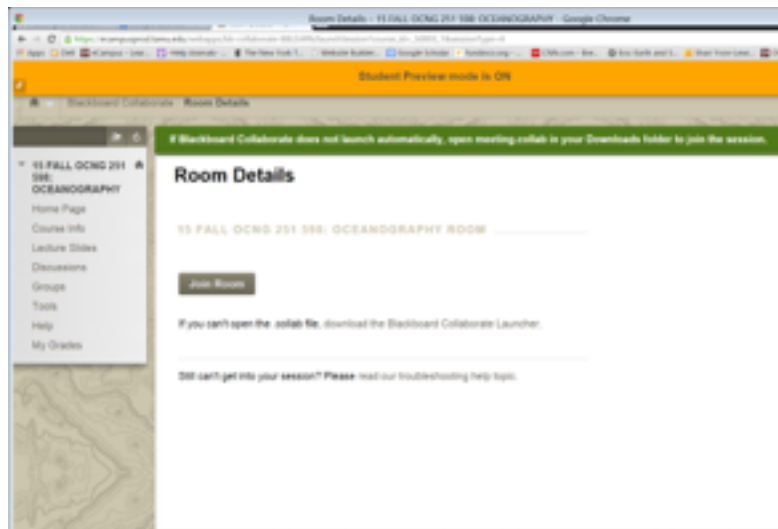2. Select this class. You should then see something like:

3. On the left menu list, you can select the lecture slides to see the lecture slides or course info to see the syllabus and other instructions or Tools. Click Tools, and you should see:

4. Blackboard Collaborate is the purple icon (4th down on the left). Click it, and you should then see:

5. The join the live broadcast, click join room in the screen above. You will click it again in the next screen, see below.
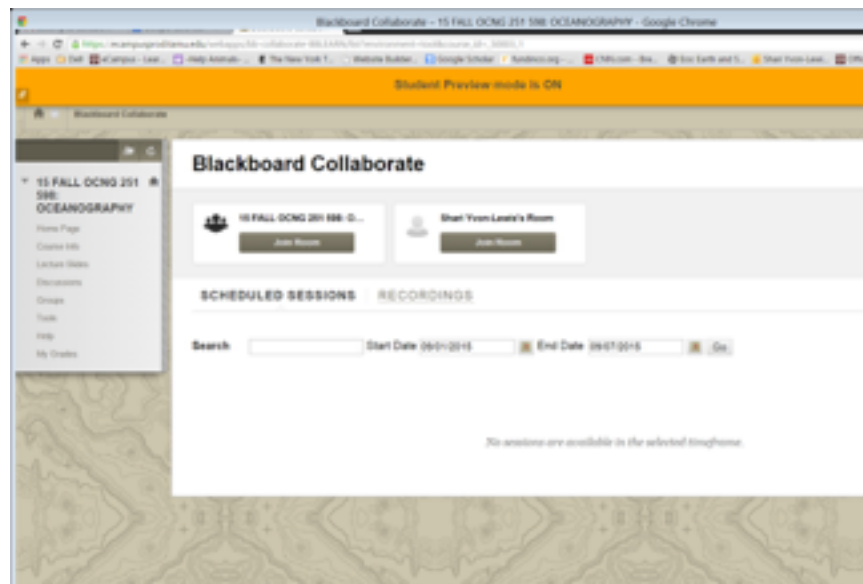

For some computers, the session will load up when you click this 'join room' button. For others, it will download a file with a .collab extension into your download folder. Double click or run this file to enter into the session.
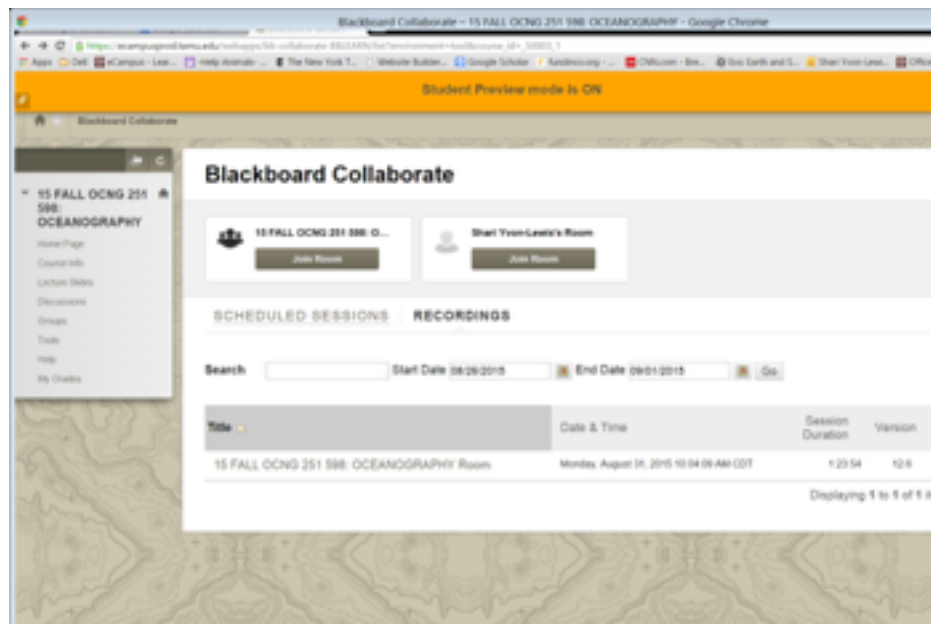
If you still can't join the live broadcast, try the help link in the screen shown above.

How to view the Recordings

1. Follow Steps 1-4 above.

2. Click the word recordings to get:

There is a list of recordings. Click the one you need to watch.