

MACAL Toolkit – Digital Tools

The following tools may help you as you make your way through the MACAL program. Many of these tools are free or low-cost options that will help you save time and increase the impact of the work you will be undertaking throughout the MACAL program.

Digital Tool	Used For
Moodle	Learning Management System
Wordpress	Blogging and website development
Kaltura Media (MyMedia)	Creating and sharing audio and video
Padlet	Sharing posts on a virtual 'wall'
Collaborate Ultra	Synchronous online virtual classroom(web conferencing tool)
Anchor	Free Podcast hosting site
Google Drive	Collaborative documents, spreadsheets, and presentation slides. Real-time team editing.
Feedly	RSS feed aggregator
Twitter Wordpress feed plugin	Live-updated feed of Twitter posts embedded in Wordpress
Pressbooks	Student-generated publishing or open-textbook development
Twitter	Social media feed
YouTube	Host user-generated video content
SPLOTS	Sharing of ideas on the open web
Hypothes.is	Social annotation and bookmarking
Mattermost	Messaging platform (similar to Slack)
Zoom	Web conferencing
Flipgrid	Sharing webcam videos
Facebook	Personal social media tool
Canva	Web based application that allows for professional design and editing similar to Adobe illustrator.
Descript	Transcription app that allows you to edit the transcription like a word document, the app will then edit the video or audio file to reflect the transcription edits. Great for transcribing interviews or conversations for research analysis, blog posts or podcast development. First 4 hours of transcribing are free.
Temi	Transcription app that quickly transcribes video or audio files for a low price per minute. Speech to text within 5 minutes.
Zotero	Zotero is a free, easy-to-use tool to help you collect, organize, cite, and share research.