

# Ensure Students Are Learning: Faculty Descriptions of Innovative Teaching Practices

## Resources Hunt

### Innovative Teaching Practice Description:

In this activity, the instructor sends the students on a resources hunt, in which they search for and find offices on campus. Students are required to not only find offices but also to introduce themselves to people who work in these offices and get them to initial their resources hunt sheet in order to prove they met them. The point of the activity is to familiarize students with the campus and its resources. The instructor prepares for this activity by letting staff know which day the students are completing the assignment, so staff know when students are coming to their offices.

This activity is done during the first week of the semester so that students can get to know resources early in the semester. Students can work on the resource hunt individually or in groups, but each student has to submit a sheet individually to the instructor. Students often work collaboratively on the assignment, asking each other questions in the hallways as they are completing the activities. The instructor updates this activity every semester in order to ensure that the offices and resources on campus are still open and current. The instructor also completes the activity in order to ensure that the prompts, or clues, are current and that students will be able to easily identify offices.