# Educational Technology Corner | October 2020

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**Tech Tips**
If you have not gotten into Office365, you are missing out. Here are 12 reasons to use (and love) it!

**Brightspace**
[Brightspace Updates September 2020](#)

**Top Hat**

*Hybrid Attendance*
Instructors can now configure their attendance settings for hybrid classes. When enabled, the hybrid attendance setting will attach a question to each attendance session run in the course, asking students to specify whether they are attending the class in-person.

**Leaving Feedback in the Gradebook**
Instructors now have the ability to leave comments on individual student responses in the Gradebook. Students will see these comments in their Gradebook, which they can use to deepen their understanding of the assessment activities they have completed.

**Aquifer**
Aquifer will be retiring the current Aquifer Culture in Healthcare cases in order to thoroughly update the content and teaching about bias, health inequities, and healthcare outcomes. Aquifer is committed to providing contemporary teaching in all aspects of healthcare, and our team of medical educators has determined that these cases would benefit from extensive revisions. The Culture in Healthcare course is currently available as a free resource with your subscription.

The three virtual patient cases in the Aquifer Culture in Healthcare course will be retired on October 15, 2020. The five Student Learning Resources associated with this course and Aquifer Medical Home will continue to be available via the Case Library and Medical Home course.

Extended access to Culture in Healthcare cases will be available by request for a limited time to accommodate faculty who choose to continue using this content in light of the needed updates and require continued access to deliver a consistent learning experience to their students.

If your program does not request extended access, the Culture in Healthcare cases will be removed from your Aquifer account on October 15, 2020. The Culture in Healthcare course will not appear on the Courses page, and the three associated virtual patient cases will be removed from within your custom courses and the searchable Case Library. Please export and save any related student reports prior to October 15.

**Requesting Extended Access**

For those who rely on Culture in Healthcare cases into their curriculum, we are offering an option to request temporary extended access through either December 31, 2020, or June 30, 2021, to allow students to complete related coursework.

**Aquifer Webinars and Training**

1. Creating Advanced Compare and Contrast Learning with Aquifer Case Modifications
2. Using Aquifer Cases Effectively: Perspective of a Third-Year Medical Student
3. New WISE & CARE Platform Launching September 2
4. Webinar Recording: Remediation: Using Aquifer to Support Struggling Learners
5. Student Experience: Bridging the Gap Between Coursework and Patient Care