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During the COVID 19/ coronavirus transition to online instruction, my course instruction remained the same. I did have to learn from home how to record lecture content through Kaltura. I was able to effectively record and post on canvas the remainder of my lecture content. My partner & I decided to utilize Examsoft for testing purposes. The students have been testing with Examsoft. This reduced anxiety for the student and instructors over technical issues with changing the test. I did create a concept map style study tool for completion to ensure understanding of the content, critical thinking and assist with online learning. The time taken to ensure constructive feedback on the assignment increased my work load significantly for the remaining modules within the course. However, it was beneficial for the students. Students that completed the assignments thoroughly scored significantly higher on the exams. In addition, I made myself available through email, phone, Microsoft teams and zoom for communication and discussion regarding the content. Due to the social distancing/ quarantining, I extended my availability to week days 9-5 for virtual appointments and responded to emails throughout the afternoons and weekends. In conclusion, my suggestions for future training would include practical ideas for online instruction and assignments along with more opportunities for technological training. Overall the transition has been smooth and successful.