



Teaching Presence in an Interactive Virtual Office

Annie Hegedus, adviser in the College of Arts and Science at Oakland University, has a link in her email signature that says “[Virtual Office](#).” Her virtual office takes you to a Google Slide with her avatar seated in an office with more than a dozen clickable elements that share some information about her and about related services and events happening on campus. This simple, fun resource is something you and your students can return to throughout the semester. It could also be an introductory activity for students to create their own “virtual office.” This video teaching tip features Annie walking us through her process of creating this virtual office and us brainstorming additional options instructors may want to consider.

[Watch the 15-minute teaching tip video.](#)

[See video transcript.](#)

References and Resources

- [Annie’s Virtual Office](#)
- [Step by Step directions: Building a Bitmoji Classroom, by Stephanie Harris.](#) This presentation was Annie’s starting point for creating her virtual office.
- [Interactive Bitmoji Classroom Tutorial \(17 minutes\):](#) an alternate video tutorial other NACADA members recommended
- [University of Colorado reference guide to Google Slides Accessibility](#)

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