Community of Inquiry Framework

Tools for Improved Communication

**Social Presence**

**TWITTER**
- Share information about the course on your professional Twitter account.
- Create hashtags for your course and encourage students to post thoughts about a topic.
- Share newsletters highlighting student achievements (with permission, of course!).

**DISCUSSIONS AND FORUMS**
- Post reflective, "share your experience" questions for a transformative learning experience.
- Set a personal goal to respond to at least half of your students answers per week.
- Encourage students to respond to other students, as well.

**FEEDBACK**
- Provide feedback on most assignments, especially if the student did not earn a 100%.
- Use the "comment" feature in Google Docs or Microsoft Word to highlight specific areas of the assignment, and then provide feedback accordingly.
- Allow students to provide you with feedback about the course using periodic anonymous surveys.