Fostering Online Discussion with Piazza

Piazza is an online platform that facilitates interaction among students. Piazza is designed to connect students, TAs, and professors so every student can get the help they need when they need it.

1. Get Started
   A. Navigate to your course list at https://uic.blackboard.com/
   B. Click on the course you want to use Piazza in.

2. Create a Web Link
   A. From your course menu, click on Course Materials or Assignments.
   B. Hover on Build Content and select Web Link to add the link.

3. Build Content
   A. Enter a name for the link, such as Piazza.
   B. Enter this URL: https://piazza.com/connect
   C. Check the box that says “This link is to a Tool Provider,” and click Submit at the bottom of the page
   D. A Piazza link will be in the content folder.
4. Adding Piazza to the Course Menu
   A. Choose **Course Link** from the + menu at the top of the course menu.
   B. Select **Tool Link**.
   C. Enter a name for the link, such as Piazza.
   D. Set Type to **Piazza**.
   E. Check the box that says “Available to Users.”
   F. Click **Submit**.

5. Create a Piazza
   A. Click the **Piazza link** in your course menu to create a Piazza for your class discussions.
   B. Create a Piazza account if you do not already have one.
   C. Link your class to Piazza.
   **Note**: Students will not be able to access Piazza until you complete this step.