## Blackboard Learn Basic Training for Students

- Log-in Information
  - OFTC now requires all faculty and students to access Blackboard, Banner, DegreeWorks, and other college platforms through an authentication service called Okta. Please access the <u>How to Login – Quick Start Guide</u> to set up your Okta account.
    - Your username will be your OFTC email account (example: tsmith5@student.oftc.edu)
    - $\odot$  Your password was provided during OFTC registration.
  - Once your Okta account is successfully set up, click the Blackboard logo on the Okta landing page to access Blackboard.
  - Click the course link on the Blackboard page to access a course.
  - Follow your instructor's directions for indicating your enrollment in a course. Failure to complete the required submission at the beginning of the semester will result in being submitted as a "no show" for a course or courses.
- If an account is locked or password is forgotten, please email the IT Department at <u>itshelp@oftc.edu</u> or call them at 478-274-7873.
- Home Page
  - The Home Page is the opening page of your Blackboard account. All of your courses can be found in the course list. You will click on a course to open the course.
- Lessons
  - The Lessons tab contains all of the assignments for the student.
  - The assignments are labeled by chapter, topic, or week. You will see presentations, assignments, links, etc., as well as assessments for the designated chapters.
  - When you open an assignment, please make sure that you read all directions carefully.
  - When submitting an assignment, please make sure that you choose the *Submit* button.
  - If you are taking a test, please make sure that you choose the Save button at the end of a test.
- Syllabus
  - Your course syllabus contains all of the course information and college procedures.
  - Your grading scale and requirements for the course are also contained on the syllabus.
- Calendar
  - Your instructor may use the calendar in Blackboard to post due dates, or a schedule may be posted as well.
- Email
  - You will see an *Email* area in Blackboard. You may send an email from inside your Blackboard course to a class member or to your instructor. However, the response to that email will come back to your OFTC student email account. Your will have to log-in to your student email account to see the response.
  - Be sure to check your OFTC email regularly.
- My Grades
  - If you want to see your progress in the course, you can click on *My Grades*. You will see all grades that the instructor has posted.
  - If you have a question about your grades, please talk with your instructor.