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# Pushing Boundaries: Collaborating Across Student Engagement Dynamics



# Service Learning Project to Support UT System Tobacco Free Campus

**ELIMINATE  
TOBACCO USE**

- This story began.....
  - Create service learning (SL) and experiential learning (EL) activities
    - Meet our students on common ground....on the UTA campus
    - Make it easy for them to be fully engaged
    - Hold SL/EL activities and events during (or close to) regular class times
    - Create learning opportunity that had value for career-readiness
  - WHAT type of SL/EL activities could we do on campus?
  - Behold! The UT System Tobacco Free Campus Initiative
    - Collaborated with:
      - UTA Office of Human Resources
        - Eunice Currie, AVP
      - UTA Health Services
        - Latoya Oduniyi, Health Promotions and Substance Abuse Educator



# UT System Eliminate Tobacco Dashboard

- 2016-2019 Eliminate Tobacco Use Campus Progression
  - UT Arlington....we still have work to do!
  - <https://www.utsystem.edu/news/2017/07/12/eliminating-tobacco-our-campus>

Last Update: 10/07/2019

✘ Currently Not Offered
🏗️ Currently Assessing
✓ Currently Offered

Highlight things that happened in: 2016 2017 2018 2019

Prevention
Policy
Cessation

| Goal Area / Institution             | UT Health | UT HSC Tyler | UT Health San Antonio | MD Anderson | UTMB | UT Southwestern | UT Arlington | UT Austin | UT Dallas | UTEP | UTPB | UTRGV | UT San Antonio | UT Tyler | UT System |
|-------------------------------------|-----------|--------------|-----------------------|-------------|------|-----------------|--------------|-----------|-----------|------|------|-------|----------------|----------|-----------|
| Education Brochures                 | ✓         | ✓            | ✓                     | ✓           | ✓    | ✓               | ✓            | ✓         | 🏗️        | ✓    | 🏗️   | ✓     | ✓              | 🏗️       | ✓         |
| Technology Based Program            | ✓         | 🏗️           | 🏗️                    | ✓           | ✘    | 🏗️              | ✓            | ✓         | 🏗️        | ✓    | ✘    | ✓     | ✓              | 🏗️       | ✓         |
| Available for Employees             | ✓         | ✓            | ✓                     | ✓           | ✓    | ✓               | ✓            | ✓         | ✘         | ✓    | 🏗️   | ✓     | ✓              | 🏗️       | ✓         |
| Available for Employees' Dependents | 🏗️        | 🏗️           | ✓                     | ✓           | ✓    | ✓               | 🏗️           | ✓         | ✘         | 🏗️   | 🏗️   | ✓     | ✓              | 🏗️       | ✓         |
| Available for Community             | ✓         | ✓            | ✓                     | ✓           | ✓    | ✓               | 🏗️           | 🏗️        | 🏗️        | ✓    | 🏗️   | ✓     | 🏗️             | ✘        | ✓         |
| Hosting On-Campus Events            | ✘         | ✘            | ✓                     | 🏗️          | ✓    | ✓               | ✓            | ✓         | ✓         | ✓    | ✓    | ✓     | ✓              | 🏗️       | ✘         |



# Project Timeline: Fall 2018-Spring 2020



## Fall 2018

- UTA Eliminate Tobacco/"Smoke This, Not That" event
- Tobacco Awareness Fair



## Fall 2019

- UTA Eliminate Tobacco Awareness Fair
- "Tastes Like Candy" presentation by Dr. Ziyad Ben-Tal



## Spring 2020

- KINE 4357 student presentations to UTA faculty/staff
- **National Public Health Week/UTA Eliminate Tobacco Virtual Watch Party**



# UTA Eliminate Tobacco Service Learning Project: HOW to MIRROR this experience for AO students?

How to simulate this type of real-time, hands-on learning activity?

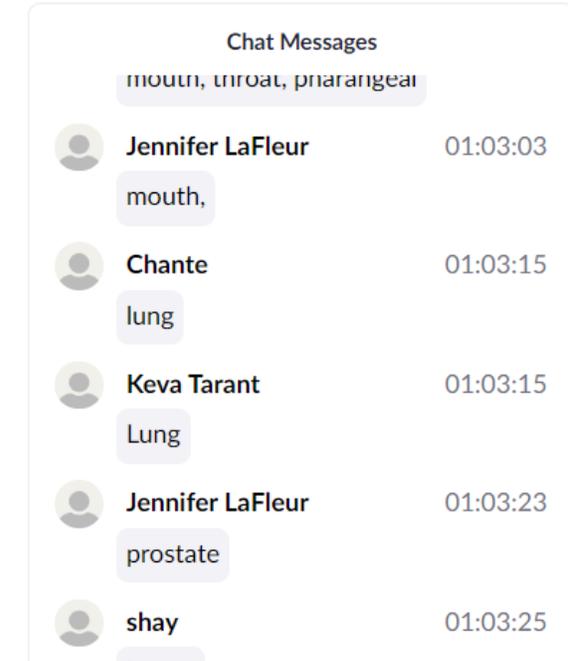
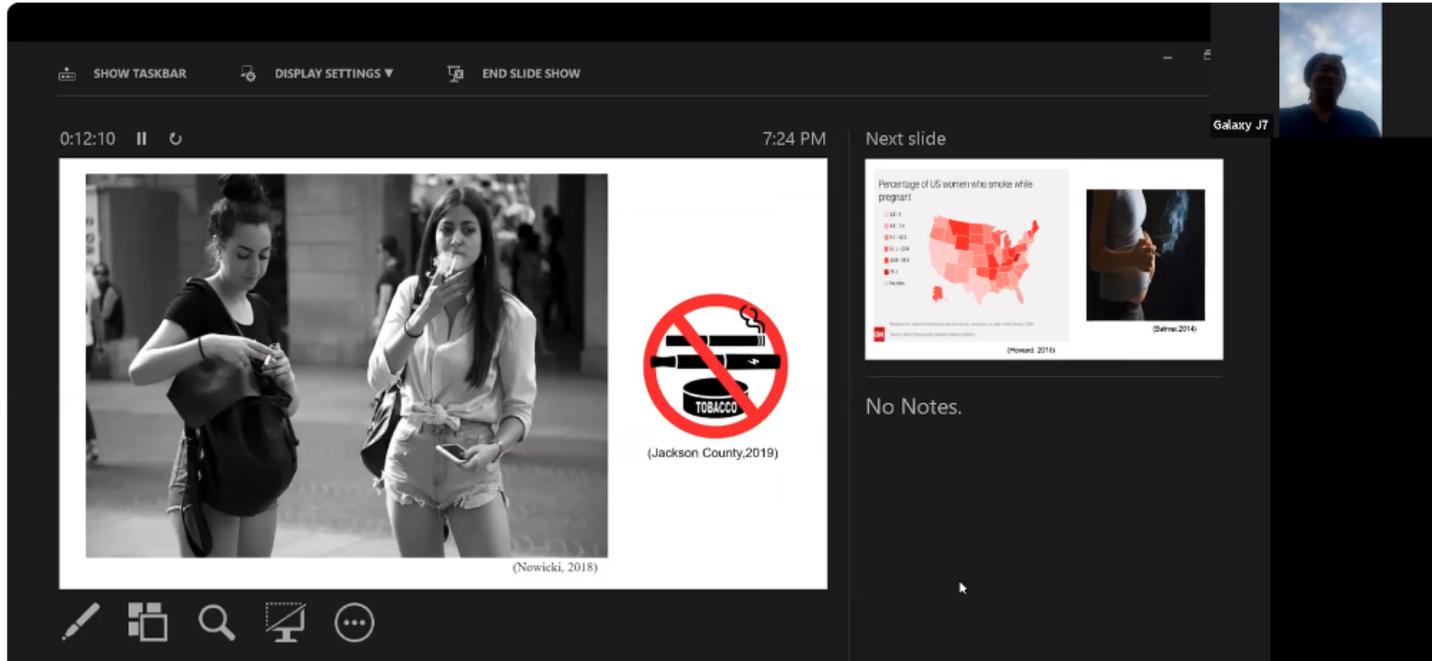


The first step: National Public Health Week Eliminate Tobacco Virtual Watch Party

Health Effects of Secondhand Smoke

PRESENTED BY: SHOLEH BARRETT, LATONA BATES, & SHAY CALVERT

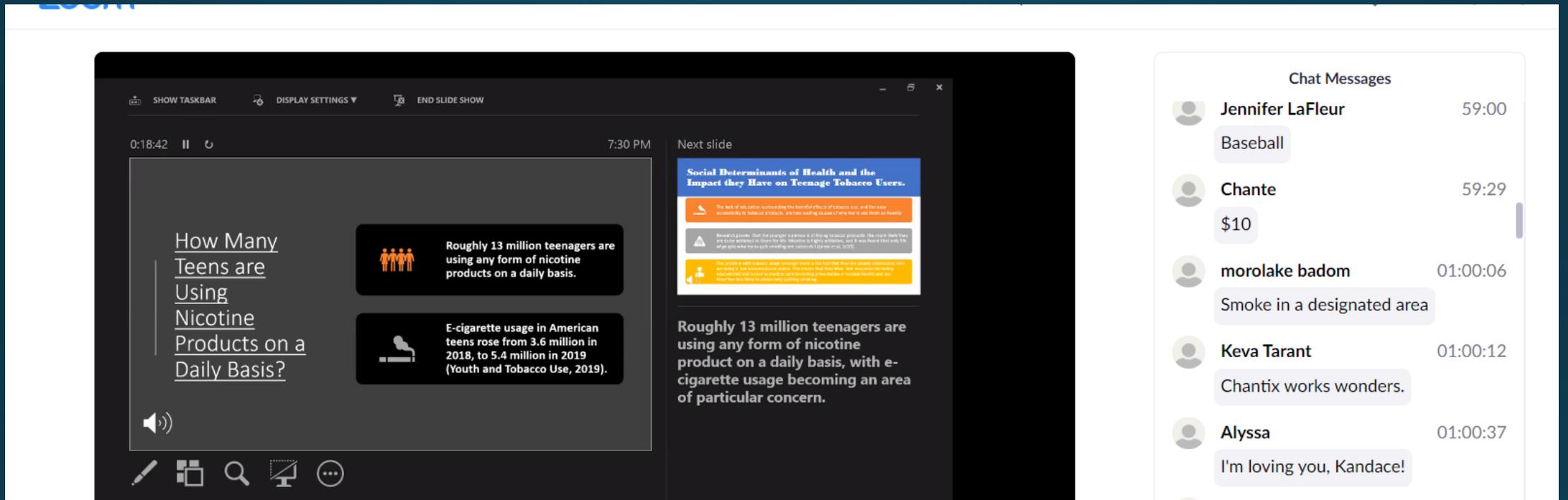
The True Cost of Smoking:  
It's NOT Just About the Money\$\$



# Spring 2020 Project Overview

- Collaborative project with KINE 4357 on-campus and accelerated online students
- Within each class, students formed teams of 4-5 students
- Matched tobacco-related topics so that OC and AO student teams researched similar topics





# Spring 2020 Project Overview, con't.

- OC students conducted live presentations for UTA faculty staff and Lunch-n-Learn on March 4, 2020
- AO students created screen-recorded Ignite presentations for Virtual Watch Party on April 10, 2020
  - Ignite presentation format:
    - Length: five minutes
    - Created in MS PowerPoint, slides advance every 15 seconds
    - Similar to TEDx



# Lessons Learned/Moving Forward

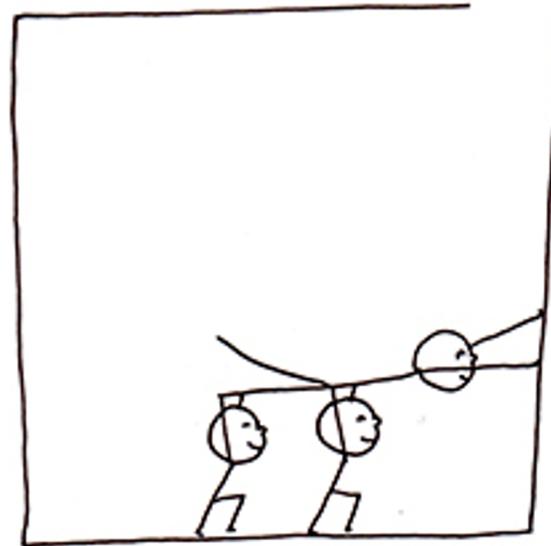
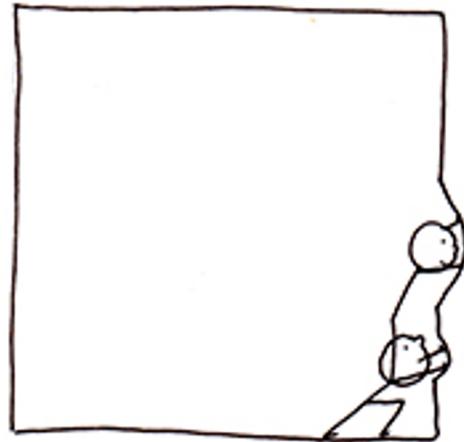
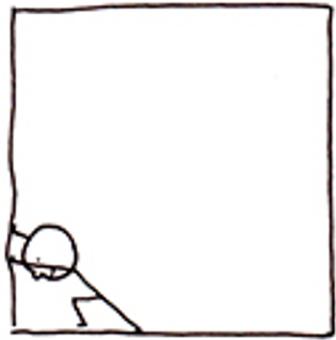
- Lessons learned
  - Overall positive first step
    - Student attitudes
      - Engaged
      - Open to collaboration
      - Understood value/ROI
  - Challenges
    - Time intensive
    - Maintaining momentum during COVID-19 pandemic
  - Fall 2020 improvements
    - Better use of technology
    - Improve alignment of project assignments/deliverables
    - IRB approval/data collection
      - Student perceptions
      - Peer evaluation
      - In-depth reflection
      - Deliverable outcomes



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