

**Blackboard Collaborate** is software for virtual classroom sessions. Students can ask questions and interact with instructor and classmates using chat rooms, audio, and video camera.

## **Computer Requirements**

- DSL/Cable internet connection (we cannot guarantee dial-up connections)
- Have audio capabilities on your computer: sound card with speakers and a microphone, or headset
- Java Webstart Visit the Collaborate First Time User to run the Java software check

## **Preparing for the Collaborate Sessions:**

- View Participant Online Orientation or Participant Quick Reference Guide or both
- Make sure your speakers and microphone are plugged in and working!
- Visit the Collaborate Live! Configuration Room to test your connection and configure your audio
- For more information, visit: <u>http://support.blackboardcollaborate.com</u>

## To Join the Collaborate Sessions:

*Note:* You can join the session 15 – 30 min prior to the start time.

- 1. In your course page in Canvas, click on "Blackboard Collaborate" on the left menu (see screenshot below)
- 2. Click on the purple icon in front of the session date/time.

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## 3. Allow Java

4. Once you are in the session, you will be able to see the session similar to the below screenshot.

