

## Classroom Response System / Clicker Recommendation

The UF Clicker Task Force recommended in its December 13, 2016 report that the University support Top Hat as a cloud-based response system and iClicker/REEF Polling as the combined hardware clicker/online polling solution.

This committee finds that the educational benefits of utilizing technologies and techniques that enhance classroom engagement, such as the recommended Top Hat and iClicker/REEF products, represent an important part of the University's strategy to increase classroom engagement across the curriculum.

The eLearning Advisory Committee recommends that the University pursue a site license for the Top Hat product, potentially utilizing Student Technology Fee funds. This expenditure would be in lieu of faculty asking students to purchase their own licenses for the product, as is the current status quo.

Advantages of a centrally managed site license include:

- No separate financial transactions required of students
- Reduced need for students to purchase licenses/clickers for multiple products
- No entry barrier for faculty experimenting with the technology or using it sparingly in a course
- No direct cost for students when experimenting with the technology or use it sparingly in a course
- More efficient support and training for a reduced breadth of products