Digital Presentation Software Comparison

Category	PowerPoint	VoiceThread	YuJa
Recommended Use	• Prerecording your lectures using audio overlaying the presentation and then exporting as a video file.	• Incorporating a video-based discussion board into Blackboard.	• Recording presentations with screen capture, audio, and/or camera feed, editing and deploying for use within a Blackboard course.
Viewing Options	• PowerPoint file • Video file (several formats available)	• Online stream via web browser (primarily embedded on Blackboard) • Mobile app (iOS and Android)	• Online stream via web browser (allows embedding) • Download (mp3 audio and mp4 video podcast formats available) • Mobile app (iOS and Android)
Recording	• Slide by slide narration through PowerPoint application. • Students are also able to use the recordings tools within PowerPoint.	• Slide by slide narration through web browser, primarily through Blackboard. • Students are able to respond to VoiceThread forums and create their own posts.	• Record entire presentation in one straight through session, with pausing available. Uploading video/audio files is also available. Recording is done with a standalone application that must be downloaded to the machine. The mobile app also has limited recording capabilities. • Students have the ability to also make recordings in YuJa sites that they are enrolled in. This option is active by default, but may be disabled if desired through Course Settings.
Editing	• Slide by slide editing is available.	• Slide by slide editing is available.	• Proprietary video editor allows for removing portions of recording and inserting preexisting video files and PowerPoint slides.
Accessibility	• If end product is a PowerPoint, transcriptions can be manually added to either the slides or the notes area of the presentation. If the end product is a video file, transcriptions will need to be added to the slides.	• Creators of a VoiceThread, or those with editing permissions, may add closed captioning to a presentation by uploading a closed captioning file.	• Auto-transcription is generated automatically. Instructors have the ability to edit the transcription to increase accuracy. • Human captioning is available through UND Disability Services for Students, for students requiring accommodations.