What is iPad?
iPad is a tablet computer designed by Apple Inc. It is known for its light weight, touch screen and extended battery life. Considered by many primarily for consuming media, the iPad can be an effective portable device for classroom instruction and content creation.

Why Would You Use It?
- Provides an affordable, compact and, portable solution to presenting content in the classroom.
- Extended battery life provides enough juice to get through an entire day of teaching on one charge.
- 300,000+ apps provide an ever-growing set of tools.
- Multi-touch screen allows users to explore simulations and other immersive experiences.
- Supports social activities.
- Supports collaborative, constructive activities.
- Provides an environment for creativity and innovation.
- Enables a reduction in the cost of education through eBooks and reduced prices for applications.
- Enables a flipped classroom approach through iTunes U and screencasting apps.
- Supports learning through practice/review applications.

How Do You Get Started?
For in-class presentations, in addition to your iPad, you will also need:
- Apple 30pin-VGA or Lightning-VGA Adapter
- VGA cable
- 3.5mm to RCA audio cable
- Any necessary applications

Be aware that iOS devices will display each character of a password as it is typed. When connected to a projector, your password will be visible to anyone in the classroom as you log into a site or app.

For screencasting, we recommend an app called Explain Everything.

How Can You Get Help?
Design & Development Services can provide limited technical support and general tutorial support. We can provide assistance on getting your iPad connected and selecting apps for use in the classroom.

Contact Wendy Lampner (wjl3@uakron.edu, x2149) for assistance.

Where Can You Learn More?
Apple provides limited online resources regarding iPad and education:
- Learning with iPad: http://www.apple.com/education/ipad/
- Education Apps and Examples: http://www.apple.com/education/apps/

There are numerous sites online devoted to maximizing the productivity potential of iPads:
- Fraser Speirs: http://speirs.org
- Mac Power Users podcast: http://5by5.tv/mpu/
- MacStories: http://www.macstories.net
- OSU DigitalFirst: http://digitalfirst.osu.edu/instructional-videos
- Academic Workflows on Mac: http://blog.macademic.org
- Nerdy Professionals - iPad webinars: http://nerdyprofessionals.com

The DDS Diigo group for UA iPad users is a venue to share bookmarks for interesting uses of the iPad along with interesting apps.

- Join the Diigo group: http://groups.diigo.com/group/ua_i_pad_users
- Subscribe to the feed: http://groups.diigo.com/group/ua_i_pad_users/rss/133257/8b33b43918a9409e3280b94ff6a09b17

The DDS blog is another way to stay connected.
- http://blogs.uakron.edu/dds/
Useful iPad Apps

◆ Presentation Apps
  ▪ QuickOffice HD
  ▪ Polaris Office
  ▪ Perspective
  ▪ Haiku Deck
  ▪ Prezi Viewer
  ▪ Keynote
  ▪ Google Drive

◆ Media Apps
  ▪ iTunes U
  ▪ Netflix
  ▪ YouTube
  ▪ Videos
  ▪ PBS
  ▪ TED

◆ Reading Apps
  ▪ Kindle
  ▪ iBooks
  ▪ Instapaper
  ▪ Inkling
  ▪ Stanza
  ▪ CourseSmart

◆ News Apps
  ▪ Twitter
  ▪ Flipboard
  ▪ CNN
  ▪ NY Times
  ▪ Economist
  ▪ Bloomberg TV+
  ▪ NBC Nightly News

◆ Reference/Demonstration Apps
  ▪ WolframAlpha
  ▪ HistoryMaps
  ▪ Constitution
  ▪ British Library
  ▪ NYPL Biblion
  ▪ Molecules
  ▪ 9.11ThePhotos
  ▪ LIFE
  ▪ BODY
  ▪ Dictionary
  ▪ Xperica HD
  ▪ NOVA Elements
  ▪ isoceles: geometry sketchpad
  ▪ Khan Academy
  ▪ Essential Anatomy

◆ Drawing Apps
  ▪ Paper
  ▪ Adobe Ideas
  ▪ SketchBook
  ▪ Wacom Bamboo
  ▪ Penultimate
  ▪ Instaviz
  ▪ Sadun's Whiteboard
  ▪ Sketch Rolls

◆ Productivity
  ▪ Evernote
  ▪ Pages
  ▪ iA Writer
  ▪ PlainText
  ▪ DropBox
  ▪ Google Drive
  ▪ Box.com
  ▪ Dictation
  ▪ Peek (for Evernote)
  ▪ Wunderlist
  ▪ Desire2Learn Assignment Grader
  ▪ Notability
  ▪ Drafts for iPad

◆ Other Useful Apps
  ▪ Skitch
  ▪ Mixel
  ▪ Explain Everything
  ▪ ShowMe Interactive Whiteboard
  ▪ Textastic
  ▪ Graio - Diagrams
  ▪ Pi Cubed
  ▪ InstaWeb
  ▪ Soulver

Finding apps can be difficult. Many of the sites listed on page 1 provide reviews and recommendations. Another option is App Shopper. App Shopper provides users a way to sort through popular apps and create a wishlist. The wishlist functionality is great if you want to check out an app but, want to wait for the price to drop.

◆ AppShopper: http://appshopper.com/