4 Tech-Savvy Downtime Options

Winter break is extra-long this year. Combine that with business and gathering restrictions, and your extended staycation might leave you feeling a little bored. Pitt IT has some great ideas for spending some of that free time while staying safe at home:

1. Complete a LinkedIn Learning collection/path to pump up your resume.
2. Clean up and organize the files in your OneDrive cloud account.
3. Update your software, mobile apps, operating system, browser and security .
4. Transfer all your saved passwords from Google to Pitt Password Manager.

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Streaming in the Res Halls

More than 60 boroughs in Allegheny County have populations smaller than the student population in University-owned housing. Even commercial providers don't have to deal with that connection density! **Here's how we keep the data flowing for students on the Pittsburgh campus!**

Tis the Season for Tech Gifts

If you receive a tech gift this year, be sure to register it in your **MyResNet account**. If you're shopping for (or dropping hints about) a new laptop, first review our **recommended laptop configurations**.

CourseWeb Is Being Retired

Did you use CourseWeb (Blackboard Learn) in previous years? It's being retired on Friday, Dec. 11 at 11 p.m. Before then, be sure to download personal copies of any course materials that you want to keep. **Learn more.**

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Connecting During Winter Break

From term papers and final exams, to research projects and spring term prep, Pitt IT knows that you'll still need to access Pitt resources. All systems are available throughout winter break, including the **Virtual Computing Lab**, so you can stay connected.

24/7 IT Help Available During Holidays, Too

Students may not be on campus, but the **24/7 IT Help Desk** doesn't take a break. We're still available to help you with your tech troubles. If you need a helping hand, give us a call ... or send an email, start a chat, or submit a help ticket. You can also connect to virtual support during its winter recess operating hours.

Stay Connected While We're Apart

Pitt IT gets *lots* of work done while campus is quiet. Make sure you know what is changing: follow **@UPittIT** on social media, sign up for system alerts at status.pitt.edu, or stop by the Pitt IT site to see the latest headlines. **Subscribe to stay up to date.**

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