

How to use Piazza

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Below we cover the basics of how to use Piazza to ask questions in this course. Only use Piazza to ask questions about this course; do not directly email the instructor/TAs.

1. Join the CSCE421 Piazza class (<http://piazza.com/unl/fall2016/csce421821>).
2. Press “New Post” to create your post. You can post three types of posts:
 - Questions: Posting a question you would like answered.
 - Note: Posting information you find interesting or relevant to the whole class.
 - Poll: Want to get input from the class about a topic.
3. Give your question a title and some details.
 - You can add folders to your post to categorize them. For example, you can categorize your post hw1 if the post is about the first homework.
 - You can add \LaTeX to your question by surrounding your \LaTeX with two $\$$'s just as you would in \LaTeX . For example, you can post $\$ \$ \alpha = 2 \$ \$$ and it would appear: $\alpha = 2$.
4. You can either post to:
 - Instructors (Where only the instructor/TAs can see the question and respond)
 - Entire class (Where anyone can see the question and respond).

You can also make your post anonymous, where either the instructor/TAs cannot ever see who wrote the post, or you can make it anonymous to only the class. (Note: If you post only to the instructors, you cannot make your post anonymous. If you wish to anonymously give feedback to only the instructors, use the anonymous feedback tool: <http://cse.unl.edu/~cse421/email/email.html>.)

5. You can edit your question by “Improving the Question”. Anyone can edit a question to add more information, even if you were not the one who posted it. For example, maybe we meant to say $\alpha = 3$ instead of 2.

6. You can view the history of the question by the top slider (It may require re-clicking on the question to refresh the bar).
7. You can either answer the question by “Starting a Student’s Response”, or ask for clarification by “Starting a new Followup Discussion.”