Minimum Classroom Standards

The 21st Century Teaching and Learning Group developed minimum classroom standards through feedback from students, staff and faculty. These minimum standards include:

- **Learning Environment**: This includes such features as safety, appropriate thermal comfort, sound isolation, and cleanliness.
- **Furniture**: Sufficient furniture for the number of scheduled students and instructor without obstruction of necessary equipment or controls (seats, tables or tablet arms, an instructor station, and ADA-compliant seating).
- **Writing Surface**: A whiteboard that is erasable and has sufficient size that is not obstructed by furniture or the projection surface. An additional blackboard surface may be available.
- **Lighting Control**: Functional shades and accessible light switches that support discussion/lecture note taking (full light) and clear projection (see next standard).
- **Audio-visual Capabilities**: A projection system that is clearly visible from all seats (standard: 24-pt font clearly visible from back seat) with the given lighting controls (switches and shades) and an audio system of sufficient volume for the class capacity. Large lecture halls (>90) have voice reinforcement available.
- **Connectivity**: Ability to hard-wire the faculty computer to the projection system (current connections are VGA and HDMI) and Internet. Every student will have serviceable wireless access to the Internet.