You can go to “Communication” then “Messages” to send a message to anyone in your class, including the professor.

You can also click on “Send Email” to send email messages. Although similar to “Messages,” the “Send Email” button allows you to send messages to multiple people at once.
In the “Send Email” option you can click on “Select Users” and go to the same page as if you clicked “Messages” in the “Communication” option on the sidebar.
Under the “Messages” option in the “Communications” tab, you can create “New Messages,” and check your “Inbox” and “Sent” messages.

You can compose a message here. You must select your Recipient(s) by clicking on one of the following field headings: “To” button, “Cc” button or “Bcc” button.
Select your Recipient from the “Select Recipients: To line” and then click on the arrow to move to the “Recipients” box. Then, you can type your message in the body of the “Compose Message” field. When complete, click “Submit” to send the message.