

# INTRODUCTION TO TEACHING WITH CANVAS

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Hello and welcome to the self-paced Introduction to Teaching with Canvas course. This course introduces Canvas tools in the context of practical strategies for design, development, and management of your web-enhanced course. It also introduces you to legal requirements, such as making content accessible to students with disabilities and Copyright law. You will have an opportunity to review the basics of course development and practice using Canvas tools through hands-on exercises. The course is presented in four modules (learning units) that contain all of the content for the topic. You will be able to navigate through the modules freely; however, we recommend you proceed through the content linearly as presented for the most beneficial learning journey.

## Course Description

This course introduces you to how to teach using the Canvas learning management system by Instructure. You will learn how the system works through a series of curated readings, and recall what you have learned through formative quizzes. You will also be provided with an opportunity to practice what you have learned through a series of hands-on exercises focused on the subject you teach.

## Learning Outcomes

By the end of the course, you will be able to:

- Edit your profile
- Add an announcement
- Create a module
- Create a content page
- Choose a home page
- Create and upload an accessible PDF
- Create an assessment
- Use the SpeedGrader

## Self-Paced Communication Policy

As this is a non-facilitated self-paced course, there is no instructor with which to communicate. It is recommended that you have a Canvas Community account, and join the California Community College group so you have a place to ask questions and gain additional information and insight about using Canvas.

Canvas Community: <https://community.canvaslms.com/welcome>

California Community College Group\*: <https://community.canvaslms.com/groups/ccc>

\*Please note, this is a private group; you must request to join the group.

If you are participating in this self-paced course during a time-frame when the facilitated version of the course is taking place, you may participate in LIVE weekly Canvas Klatch sessions. These video conference sessions are hosted by the current course facilitators and provide an opportunity for participants to ask questions about using Canvas.

For the current schedule visit <http://bit.ly/CanvasKlatchSchedule>.

## Time Commitment & Recommended Skills

Your time commitment will vary based upon your own level of experience with web technologies. As this is a self-paced course, you may spend as much (or as little) time as you need reviewing the instructional content and practicing the skills presented.

Although this class is designed for novice Canvas users, you should have the following:

- Basic computer skills (word processing, e-mail, file management)
- Basic internet skills (use of browser, searches, uploading/downloading files)
- An open mind and willingness to try new things

## Technical Requirements

- Fairly recent Mac or PC (not more than three years old) with a current operating system.
- Current browser (Firefox or Chrome are preferable)
- Internet connection, preferably broadband -- for viewing online video