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Canvas Updates & Checklists

Happy New Year and welcome back to the Spring 2020 semester! Here are some Canvas updates and new features that have been released followed by helpful semester start checklists.

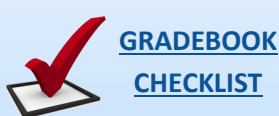
! IMPORTANT !

Canvas updates are sent via myCTE announcements throughout the semester. Be sure to keep your notifications enabled for announcements to stay informed! Here's [how to set your notification preferences](#).

- ◆ **Dashboard Course Cards**—Courses can be removed as favorites from the course card Options menu.
- ◆ **Student Context Cards**—You can now click a student's name anywhere in Canvas to view a summary of the student's progress in the course.
- ◆ **Canvas Conferences**—Now featuring [Breakout Rooms](#).
- ◆ **New Gradebook**—The new gradebook makes grading more flexible and intuitive and elevates the gradebook user experience. The new gradebook is now fully integrated this semester. Here are some resources that will help you get acquainted with the new features:
[Overview Video](#) | [Guides](#) | [Comparison: New vs. Old Muting/Unmuting Grades](#) | [Apply a Late Policy](#) | [Missing Submission Policy](#) | [Missing/Late FAQ](#)
- ◆ **UDOIT (2.5 Update)** - Now featuring a "U Fix It" button.
- ◆ **New Quizzes**—the new quiz engine will replace the current Canvas quizzes at some point this year. Get a head start by familiarizing yourself with the new tool.
[FAQ](#) | [Comparison: New vs. Old](#) | [How to Enable Migrate a Canvas Quiz to New Quizzes](#) | [Webinar Quizzes.Next Importing](#)



SEMESTER
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Five Minute University

In this 5 minute video you will learn about "The Minute Paper" activity.

- ◆ [Lesson 3: The Minute Paper](#)



Accessibility On Demand



Our "Make Your Content Accessible" workshop is now available On Demand! In this 1 hour and 45 minute workshop presented by Jessica Dillow (SAIL) and Liz Craft (AcTec), you will learn more about accessibility and what it means to you. You will also learn how to evaluate your course content for accessibility and remediate any potential issues.



- ◆ [Make Your Content Accessible Video](#)



Spring 2020 Workshops

For more information and to register for the workshops below visit our [Training Calendar](#) page.



Canvas/Course Enhancement Workshops



- ◆ **Canvas Instructor Training (CIT)** - Ongoing (Online)
- ◆ **Advanced Canvas: Inviting Home Page** - 1/22 (Cocoa), 1/28 (Melb), 2/4 (PB), 2/13 (Webinar), 9/19 (Webinar)
- ◆ **Advanced Canvas: Managing Grades** - 2/18 (Cocoa), 2/26 (Melb), 3/3 (PB), 3/11 (Webinar)
- ◆ **Advanced Canvas: Quizzes & Test Banks** - 3/26 (Cocoa), 3/30 (Melb), 4/8 (PB), 4/21 (Webinar)



Accessibility Workshops



- ◆ **Accessible Content Lab** - 1/29 (Cocoa), 1/30 (Melb), 2/3 (PB), 2/4 (Tville), 3/12 (Melb), 3/31 (Cocoa), 4/21 (Cocoa), 4/30 (Melb)
- ◆ **UDOIT** - 1/22 (Webinar), 1/28 (Webinar), 2/11 (Webinar), 3/5 (Webinar), 4/8 (Webinar), 4/23 (Webinar)
- ◆ **Accessible Powerpoints** - 2/19 (Webinar), 3/9 (Webinar)
- ◆ **Accessible Word Files**—2/25 (Webinar), 3/10 (Webinar)



Instructional/Course Design Workshops



- ◆ **Fundamentals of PBL** - Ongoing (Online)
- ◆ **Quality Matters** course design workshops and open labs coming soon!



Learn a New Tool



- ◆ **Kaltura** - 2/26 (Webinar), 3/26 (Webinar)
- ◆ **SoftChalk**—3/4 (Webinar), 4/14 (Webinar)
- ◆ **Turnitin** - 2/17 (Webinar), 3/30 (Webinar)

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