

Canvas Migration Updates: Next Steps for UHCL

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Overview

- UHCL's transition from Blackboard to Canvas is exiting Phase I (SU/FA23 early adopters/Canvas "soft launch") and entering Phase II.
- The goals of Phase II include (1) providing introductory Canvas training for all novice Canvas users, (2) bulk course content migrations from Blackboard to Canvas, and (3) providing support resources to assist faculty preparing for the SP24 Canvas full launch.

Canvas Training by the Numbers

- We're currently estimating SP24 faculty numbers and users from SP23 data.
- 133 early adopter faculty members have completed the online Canvas training or self-identified as experienced and self-sufficient Canvas users.
- An estimated 433 instructors remain to be trained or self-identified as experienced Canvas users.
- Training goals for FA23

50% by 10/20/23 75% by 11/22/23 95% by 12/20/23

FA23 Introductory/Basic Canvas Training

- **100% Online Asynchronous** - Already available to FA23 faculty in Canvas, including those who are NOT early adopters. Can be completed at your own pace.
- **Face-to-Face** - Vendor-provided Canvas training will be on campus September 19-21 to offer five three-hour introductory Canvas training sessions. Additional sessions will be offered in October. Equivalent in scope to the 100% Online Asynchronous course.
- **Synchronous Online** - This will be offered by IDT team members beginning in October. The same 3-hour session as the face-to-face sessions, taught completely online via Zoom or Teams.

September 2023 Face-to-Face Canvas Training (5 Identical 3-Hour Sessions)

- **September 19:** 9:00 AM – Noon OR 1:00 PM – 4:00 PM
- **September 20:** 9:00 AM – Noon
- **September 21:** 9:00 AM – Noon OR 1:00 PM – 4:00 PM

Seating is limited. Please RSVP via email to IDT@uhcl.edu.

FA23 Faculty IDT Support Options

- Regularly scheduled Online Drop-In Sessions
- Coming Soon! Face-to-Face ID-hosted "Working Sessions"
- Individual Virtual or F2F IDT Consultation
- "Special Request" Sessions for Programs/Departments, Upon Request
- Canvas-Provided 24/7 Live Chat and Telephone Faculty Support

Bulk Content Migrations

- Current (FA23) Blackboard Shells - 2210 Shells (Excluding shells for classes being taught in Canvas this term)
- AY 2022-23 Blackboard Shells - 5517 Shells
 - FA22 = 2273
 - SP23 = 2293
 - SU23 = 951
- AY 2021-22 Blackboard Shells - 5359 Shells
 - FA21 = 2230
 - SP22 = 2154
 - SU22 = 975

IDT will bulk migrate 12,996 (ca. 43%) of the 30,394 shells in our Blackboard course inventory.

Blackboard Master and Pre-AY 2021-22 Course Migrations

- Faculty may request blank Canvas shells by emailing either IDT@uhcl.edu or SupportCenter@uhcl.edu.
- When the blank shell is created, an IDT team member will notify the requestor and provide instructions on downloading zipped Blackboard content and uploading the zip file to the new blank Canvas shell.

Canvas Migration Communications Plan

- Every other Thursday, beginning this week (9/7/23), a Canvas Migration Updates email will be sent to all current instructors.
- IDT staff will provide regular reports to the Dean of their designated college.
- IDT Weekly Newsletter and Canvas Faculty Support Page
- IDT staff welcome invitations to make brief presentations at college- or program/department-specific meetings throughout the FA23 term.