Canvas Migration Updates: “What’s Up with Canvas?”
September 21, 2023

This Week’s Highlights

- If you have not done so already, please complete our short (4-item) Canvas Readiness Profile at your earliest convenience. The IDT team cannot effectively schedule October and November basic Canvas training opportunities until we receive input from a much greater number of current instructors.
- Beginning in October, faculty should be able to select from four delivery modes to complete Canvas introductory training. For more information, please see the section on Training Options below in this document, or review the Current and Upcoming Canvas Training Options section on the Canvas Faculty Support webpage.
- IDT has received the license for Turnitin and we are testing it in our non-production Canvas instance. We hope to install Turnitin on Canvas production by the close of business on Monday, 9/25/23. Please view our team’s online interactive resource, Turnitin: Live in Canvas Next Week!, for preliminary getting started information.

Faculty Canvas Readiness by the Numbers

- Trained/Experienced Instructors – 139 (~26% of instructors)
- Canvas Readiness Profile Respondents Needing Training – 31 (~6% of instructors)
- Status Unknown (Have Not completed the Canvas Readiness Profile) – 371 (~68% of faculty)
- Canvas Readiness Goals for Sept 9 – Dec 23, 2023:
  
  50% by 10/20/23*  
  75% by 11/22/23  
  95% by 12/20/23

  *We’re just over the halfway point in meeting the 10/20/23 goal!

FA23 Introductory/Basic Canvas Training Options

- **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 was offered on campus September 19-21. Additional sessions will be scheduled for October as soon as we receive more responses to the Canvas Readiness Profile survey. Each 3-hour session is equivalent in scope to the 100% Online Asynchronous course.
- **COMING SOON! Synchronous Online** - This will be offered by IDT team members or a vendor-provided trainer beginning in October. The same 3-hour session as the face-to-face sessions, taught completely online via Zoom or Teams.
- **COMING SOON! Video-Based 100% Online Asynchronous** – Equivalent in scope and time (~3 hours), this self-paced option will use a combination of video lectures, in-video questions, and asynchronous activities in a less text-heavy environment than the existing 100% Online Asynchronous option.
- **By Request** – Groups with at least 10 and no more than 20 faculty attendees may request a dedicated in-person offering of the 3-hour Introductory/Basic Canvas training for a specific date/time. Requests will be accommodated according to trainer and training room availability.
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
- IDT staff are working with Blackboard and other IDT units to complete bulk migrations as quickly as possible. **IDT will bulk migrate 12,996 (ca. 43%) of the 30,394 shells in our Blackboard course inventory.** We’re striving for a completion date on October 2, 2023.
- Bulk migrations will include only semester offerings (not master shells) from AY 2021-22, AY 2022-23, and FA23.
- Faculty members who have already starting manual migrations via special request (see below) will not have those same courses migrated in bulk migration.

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.