

## Blackboard-to-Canvas Tool Comparison

| Category      | Blackboard    | Canvas        | Difference  | Resources                                  |
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| Announcements | Announcements | Announcements | Canvas Announcements are interactive, the instructor can allow students to reply, much like the discussion format.  | <a href="#">Announcements</a>              |
| Appointments  | N/A           | Scheduler     | Scheduler is a Calendar tool that creates appointment groups within a course or group. Students can sign up for a time slot within the appointment group. Some appointment time slots may only allow one student to sign up at a time, while others may allow an entire group to sign up. | <a href="#">How do I use the Scheduler</a> |
| Assessments   | Surveys       | Surveys       | Ungraded or graded surveys can be deployed easily.  | <a href="#">Surveys</a>                    |
| Assessments   | Tests         | Quizzes       | Quizzes are easy to upload manually or using a third-party tool like Respondus.   | <a href="#">Types of Quizzes</a>           |

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| Assignments | Assignments    | Assignments | Assignments can be created in several areas of the course, Assignments, Calendar or Modules. The assignment can be used for in class assignments, online assignments and third-party assignments like TurnItIn. Instructors can limit the file types he or she will accept.  | <a href="#">Assignments</a>     |
| Blogging    | Blogs/Journals | N/A         | Canvas does not have blogs or journals built in. Journals can be created through the assignments tool and blogs can be developed using the Discussion area or a third-party tool.  |                                 |
| Calendar    | Calendar       | Calendar    | The Calendar automatically syncs with other features in Canvas, such as Assignments, Syllabus, and Grades, so if you create, change, or delete the due date of an Assignment on the Calendar, it will show up in all the others and vice versa. You can change dates easily by dragging and dropping assignments from one date to another. | <a href="#">Canvas Calendar</a> |
| Chat Room   | Chat           | Chat        | The Chat tool in Canvas allows students and teachers to interact in real time. The Chat rooms can be saved for future use.   | <a href="#">Chat</a>            |

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| Collaborative Spaces |                            | Collaborations        | Allows student to use the Google Docs tools for online collaborations.   | <a href="#">Collaborations</a>          |
| Collaborative Spaces | Wikis                      | Pages                 | All the pages created in Canvas are potential Wikis that the instructor can assign editing rights to only the teacher or Teacher and students.   | <a href="#">Pages</a>                   |
| Communications       | Send email/Course Messages | Inbox (Conversations) | All conversations can be routed to the user's email. The communications can take place directly in the users email but copies will still reside in the Canvas Inbox. (awkward)   | <a href="#">All about Conversations</a> |
| Content Organization | Content Areas              | Modules               | Courses are uniformly laid out with a linear module structure based on Pages. The content can use releases or prerequisites to monitor student work.   | <a href="#">Modules</a>                 |
| Course Chronology    | N/A                        | Syllabus              | The syllabus allows you to add information that is pertinent to your course. The Syllabus is automatically generated based on Assignments and Events within a course. It can only be changed by editing or deleting the Assignments or Events. All assignments (unpublished and published) are listed in the syllabus for instructors. | <a href="#">Syllabus</a>                |

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| Document Preview | N/A                | Document Preview        | Instructor have the option to set the preview to open automatically for students in the course. Preview will open many file options; .doc, .docx, .ppt, .zip, .pdf, .odt. It can handle large documents up to 100MB and 999 pages.  | <a href="#">Document Preview File Types</a> |
| Enrollments      | Users              | People                  | With the people function instructors can oversee the course roster. The People feature also gives great analytics that are easy to read and use.  | <a href="#">People</a>                      |
| File Storage     | Content Collection | Files                   | Files can house course files, assignments, syllabi, readings, or other documents, as well as profile pictures and user-specific files. Instructors can lock folders and files so they can only be viewed by direct links or only unlock on a specific date.<br>Also Consider using the Canvas Commons to store files that might be used for multiple people or departments. | <a href="#">Canvas Commons</a>              |
| Groups           | Groups             | Groups (Project Groups) | Groups can be easily maintained in a single universal navigation menu   | <a href="#">Groups</a>                      |

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| Lecture and Screen Share Tools |               | Conferences       | Conferences are primarily used for virtual lectures, virtual office hours, and student groups. They can be recorded and are viewable for two weeks. They can also be used to demonstrate technologies or troubleshoot technology issues online. Conferences can accommodate up to 50 people. Currently, Canvas integrates with BigBlueButton. | <a href="#">Conferences</a>       |
| Media Recording                | N/A           | Media Recorder    | Canvas has an embedded recorder in any of the text editing areas. The users can record audio or video for pages, posts, messages announcements and grading feedback.  | <a href="#">Video Recorder</a>    |
| Navigation Menu                | Course Menu   | Course Navigation | Canvas provides a consistent Menu and naming convention for all courses. Instructor can show or hide links for the needs of his or her course.  | <a href="#">Course Navigation</a> |
| Notifications                  | Notifications | Notifications     | Send and receive course updates when and where you want; by email, text message and even Facebook. The notifications can be sent in four delivery types: Notify Me Right Away, Daily Summary, Weekly Summary, or Do Not Send. If you change a setting, the change is made immediately to your account   | <a href="#">Notifications</a>     |

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| Open Course        | Make Available            | Publish Course | The Publish Course is conveniently located on the Home Page of all courses.  | <a href="#">Publish Course</a>          |
| Peer Assessments   | Self and Peer assessments | Assignments    | Canvas has an easy to use peer review function to for assigning peer reviews; using either automatic matching or manual matching options. The peer reviews can be anonymous.   | <a href="#">Peer Review Assignments</a> |
| Rich Content       | Content Item/Blank Page   | Pages          | Canvas pages are adaptable to many individual styles using the robust tool section in the editing panel. Pages also allow in-course linking and drag and drop attachments from the side bar.   | <a href="#">Pages</a>                   |
| Score Offline Work | Grade Center              | Assignments    | Assignments can be created that have No Submission. These work well for in-class presentations, daily participation points, or other optional activities used for extra credit.  |   |
| Score Online Work  | Grade Assignment          | SpeedGrader    | The Canvas SpeedGrader is a easy to use grader with robust comment tools right on the paper. The instructor can also add audio or video feedback for the student. Rubrics can also be incorporated with alignment outcomes for ease of grading and Learning Mastery paths. | <a href="#">Speedgrader</a>             |

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| Scoring Rubric      | Rubrics      | Rubrics     | Canvas Rubrics is a easy to use tool that can be used with a variety of rating scales and can also pull in Outcomes from the departments, intuitions or course level outcomes.      | <a href="#">Rubrics</a>                     |
| Student Grade Book  | My Grades    | Grades      | Canvas allows the student to use the What-If feature. The What-If allows students to enter grades for upcoming Assignments and Quizzes to project his or her grades for the course. | <a href="#">What-If Grades</a>              |
| Support             | Help         | Help        | The Help on the Navigation Pane will lead users to support through various avenues: Student Helpdesk, Faculty Helpdesk or the Canvas Guides.  | <a href="#">Canvas Help for Instructors</a> |
| Weighted Categories | Grade Center | Assignments | Canvas does the weighted totals slightly differently utilizing the Assignments area for the weighting of the grades.  | <a href="#">Weighted Assignments</a>        |