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There are currently two supported LMS options at the University of Saskatchewan. [Canvas](#) has been newly introduced to our campus and is currently being phased in with early adopters and phase one colleges building classes here for fall. [Supported learning opportunities](#) are now available through ICT Training and Development and the Gwenna Moss Centre for those who applied to be an early adopter or whose college is moving to Canvas for fall.



Blackboard

For many remote and online courses, however, [Blackboard](#) will still be the supported LMS for the fall and winter terms. If you will not be an early adopter or your college will be transitioning at a later date then Blackboard will be your supported remote delivery learning system. Blackboard has a well established set of guides and training resources available through ICT training and development to get you up to speed on building your remote course materials online.

Upcoming **Blackboard Introduction Training** Sessions are available on **July 3rd** and **July 13th** from IT Training. [Register for Blackboard Introduction Training here](#)

Upcoming **Blackboard Assessments Training** is available on **July 21st** from IT Training. [Register for Blackboard Assessment and Grade Center here](#)

Here are some recorded video learning materials from ICT Training and Development that you may want to access if Blackboard is new to you.

[Blackboard General Introduction](#) - an introduction to Blackboard, intended for those who have never used Blackboard before

[Quizzes in Blackboard](#) - an intermediate-level Blackboard video to help people with some experience learn to use the Tests (Quizzes) feature in Blackboard

[Assignments in Blackboard](#) - an intermediate-level Blackboard video to help people with some experience learn to use the Assignments feature in Blackboard

[Student Groups in Blackboard](#) - an intermediate-level Blackboard video to help people with some experience learn to use the student groups feature in Blackboard

[Discussion Boards in Blackboard](#) - an intermediate-level Blackboard video to help people with some experience learn to use the discussion boards feature in Blackboard

How-To Move from Blackboard to Canvas

If you've already had experience with online courses and using the Blackboard LMS, but now need some support making the transition to Canvas there are new resources available for you. The [Moving from Blackboard](#) pages on the [IT Training and Development site](#) provides tips, guides, and a [great feature comparison document](#) that shows some of the differences in tools across the two LMS platforms.

Dig Deeper: The Remote Course Development Guide from DEU

If you're looking for one comprehensive guide for both technical resources as well as pedagogical guidance for online teaching and learning you may want to explore the [Remote Course Development Guide](#) from the Distance Education Unit. This all inclusive guide intends to support you from start to finish with best-practices and just-in-time training resources to get you ready for teaching your course this fall.



DEU support and contact information

The Instructional Design Team at the Distance Education Unit can help you design online activities, assessments and other online appropriate elements to your remote teaching or fully online offerings. Visit <https://sites.usask.ca/edtech/> for more helpful tips and tutorials as well as information on our support services and contact information.

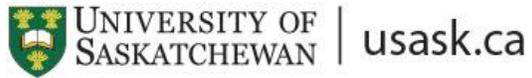
Our **Instructional Design Team** is always happy to chat with you about learning technologies and strategies for using them effectively in your online or blended classroom. Our staff can help you with questions about,

- Full Online Course Development Projects
- Hybrid, multi-access and blended learning strategies
- Open Textbook and OER developments
- ePortfolios
- Engaging Online Assessments and Learning Activities
- Copyright Clearances, Acquisitions and OER Licensing
- Ensuring Accessibility standards are being addressed
- Ed Tech Support before and during delivery
- Course Quality Reviews and Recommendations
- Media resource development
- Resource curation and dissemination
- Non-Credit Learning Design

And much more. Just drop us a line to start a conversation deu.support@usask.ca

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