Use Discussions to enhance student learning

Canvas provides multiple opportunities for instructors to solicit student contributions to a course and enables instructors to build an online community of learning. The discussions tool allows for graded and non-graded student contributions. Note: Discussion is not an anonymous forum.

Create Discussions:

1. From the Course Navigation, click “Discussions”
2. Click “+Discussions”
3. Name the Discussion and provide the prompt in the content editor.
4. Select any specific options (i.e., allow threaded replies, users must post before seeing replies, graded, etc.).
5. If you create a graded discussion, input the number of points possible.
6. If applicable, select the date range for the prompt/discussion.
7. Click “Save & Publish”

To schedule a consultation about the discussions tool, please use https://tinyurl.com/CanvasConsultY18.

Learn more about Canvas: canvas.yale.edu/help
Attend a Workshop

Below is a list of workshops that are offered at the CTL or for departments (the support team can come to you):

- Getting Started with Canvas @ Yale
- Next Steps with Canvas @ Yale
- Canvas @ Yale Tool Series:
  - Assignments
  - Discussions
  - Communication with Students
  - Quizzes
  - Peer Review
  - End of Term & Grades
  - Posting Your Syllabus
- One Course, Three Ways
- Media Library Workshop

Please RSVP for workshops online: http://events.ctl.yale.edu/

Helpful Resources

Yale’s Center for Teaching and Learning has developed resources to assist faculty with the transition to the new LMS.

**General help documentation:** help.canvas.yale.edu

**Requests**

Faculty may request any of the following:

- Sandbox Site
- Umbrella Site
- Guest Accounts
- Content Migration
- Departmental Workshops

**General Request Page:** http://canvas.yale.edu/help/

**Consultations**

- **Project Site Consultation**
  http://canvas.yale.edu/classesv2-project-site-consult
- **General Canvas Consultation**