iLearn Updates
Introducing Creator +

Beginning in May, course instructors will have access to Creator+ in iLearn, which facilitates the ability to add more engaging content and quick self-assessments directly into course materials.

Brightspace Creator + is a content authoring package that provides opportunities for users to create highly desirable, engaging, and delightful experiences in minutes. With easy-to-use tools and leveraging existing workflows, faculty can build dynamic content and media experiences that appeal to the love of learning, improve comprehension, and achieve high engagement.

Learn more about Creator+
- Insert Elements
- Insert Practices
- View more about Creator+
- Watch a quick video about Creator+

Discussions

Also in May, instructors will have the ability to select the new Discussions experience as an opt-in feature. The new Discussions format and structure will be like the new experience for the Quiz and Assignments tools. This will provide a level of consistency for the look and feel across all ilearn assessment tools.

CITL Summer Intensive
May 15-16 | 8 AM - 12 PM | Bartoo Hall Rm 111

Join the CITL for our two day Summer Intensive where we will discuss best pedagogical practices. The interactive sessions will include information on course objectives, alignment, ChatGPT, academic integrity, & more! Lunch will be provided. View the schedule and learn more below.

Register

May Workshops
Tuesdays at 11 AM | Teams

Replay: 5 Things You May Not Know About iLearn	May 9
Office Hours and Bookings	May 23
Replay: Course Design	May 30

Online Excellence

Dr. Samantha Hudson

Samantha Hudson won the Faculty Excellence in Online Teaching Award due to her exceptional approach to online education. She incorporates clear and concise explanations, detailed checklists with suggested due dates, and breaks down content to reduce cognitive load. Additionally, she fosters teamwork in an online environment and personalizes the professor-student relationship through the use of a Meet Your Instructor template and an Ask the Professor discussion board. Hudson's commitment to effective online teaching methods and organization tools make her a deserving recipient of this award.

Course Design

Dr. Alma Nunez

Alma Nunez won the Faculty Excellence in Course Design award due to her remarkable course design approach. Her course is designed with clear communication in mind, which includes weekly announcements and "Getting Started" content that helps students get acclimated to the course. Additionally, Nunez provides chunked tutorial videos with closed captioning, which allows students to engage with the course material at their own pace and in a way that best suits their learning preferences. Her dedication to effective course design and student engagement makes her a deserving recipient of this award.

Prof. Jeremy Blair

Jeremy Blair won the Faculty Excellence in Course Design award due to his unique course design approach. He places a strong emphasis on student voice and choice, such as his "Unnecessary Inventions" assignment. He also incorporates hands-on projects and creativity, which makes learning fun and engaging for students. Additionally, Blair fosters a welcoming environment and culture within his courses by having "Arcade Play Day" and utilizing social media, which helps to ensure that all students feel valued and supported. His devotion to effective course design and student engagement make him a deserving recipient of this award.