Canvas Update | Canvas Course Visibility for Students

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Dear Faculty and Staff,

As we look ahead to the start of our first fall semester with all courses in Canvas, we want to share important information about making courses visible to your students.

Just as in Blackboard, courses in Canvas must be published for students to access them. Canvas is set up to allow enrolled students to access ***published courses*** **one week prior** to the start of the term.

So, if you are teaching in the traditional fall semester that begins on August 25, students can access your courses on August 17 if the courses have been published.

If you do not want students to be able to access your courses before the semester begins, make sure your courses are ***unpublished*** until you are ready for students to view them. As a reminder, modules and other content items also must be published for students to access them, once your course has been published.

Learn more about publishing/unpublishing Canvas courses here: https://community.canvaslms.com/t5/Instructor-Guide/How-do-I-publish-a-course/ta-p/1185.

Lear more about publishing/unpublishing individual modules here: https://community.canvaslms.com/t5/Instructor-Guide/How-do-I-publish-or-unpublish-a-module-as-an-instructor/ta-p/571.

If you need assistance, call 314-977-4000 (press option 3), or email facsupport@slu.edu.