

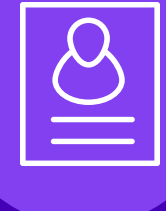


10 TIPS for using Our Course Canvas Page

There are real benefits to taking classes online but there are also big challenges to overcome.

Although you may have used Canvas in some of your in-person classes, you may not be aware of all the features and utilities that you will be required to use during our online course

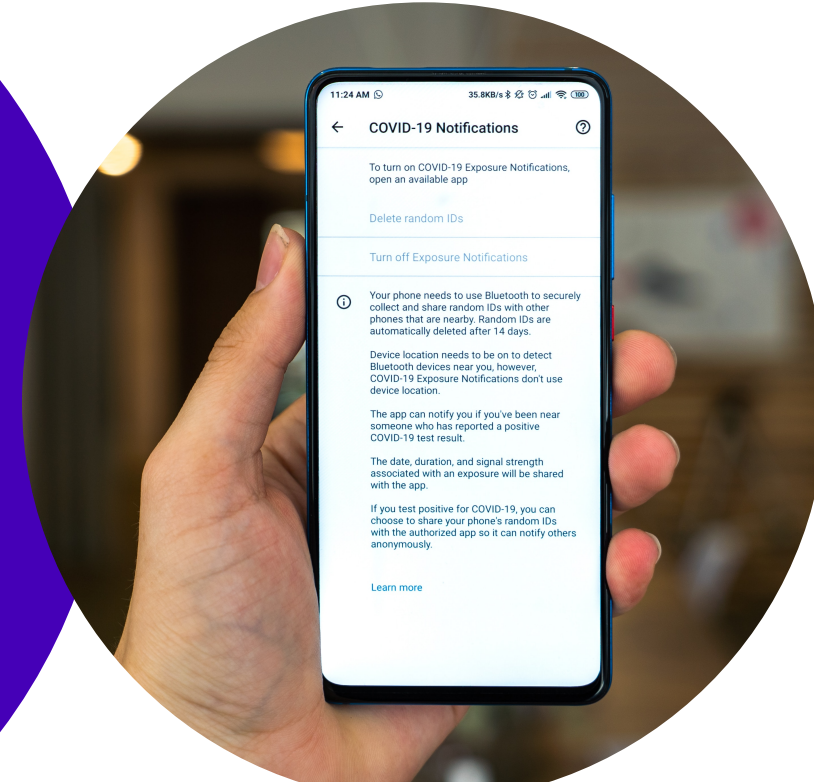
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Customize your Canvas Profile

Consider uploading a profile photo, bio, and contact info to your profile page.

If you no longer identify with your legal name, you can request to change your display name by emailing the Registrar, Brian Hodge (bhodge@fau.edu), from your FAU email account indicating the preferred name you wish to have noted on Canvas.



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Set NOTIFICATION Preferences

You can select how and when you want to be notified when various events occur within a course (including due date changes, assignment updates, or new messages) via email, SMS text message, and Twitter. You can choose to receive notification alerts immediately, daily, weekly, or never.

For step-by-step instructions for setting your notifications, [click here](#)

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MODULES

All of our course content is organized into **MODULES** which appear on our course HOME page. Each modules has requirements that must be completed to receive full credit. Make sure to read through each component carefully.

For more info on Modules, [click here](#)

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DISCUSSION BOARDS

The **Discussion Boards** are a cornerstone of our course, as they are the place where we unpack ideas, brainstorm arguments, and analyze different points of view on the course material. They are also a large part of your final grade, so it's important to know how to use them.

For info on Canvas Discussion Boards, [click here](#)



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Viewing/Submitting ASSIGNMENTS

You can view all your course assignments on the **Assignments** page. Some assignments will ask you to upload an attached file, while others may be graded **Discussion Boards**, Quizzes or other forms of assessment.

For more information on how to view and use the **ASSIGNMENT** page, [click here](#)

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Check ANNOUNCEMENTS

The **Announcements Page** allows you to view and filter announcements in your course. You can also receive new announcements via Canvas notifications or view them on the **Recent Activity** Dashboard or **To Do list**.

For more info, [click here](#)



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Canvas INBOX/messaging

Canvas has its own email/messaging center that makes it easy to contact your classmates and professors.

For more info, [click here](#)

Check both the **ANNOUNCEMENTS** page and your **FAU email** often to make sure you don't miss anything!

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Canvas GROUPS

There may be an exercise or assignment that requires collaborating with your classmates using the **GROUPS** feature.

[Here is a link](#) on how to view Groups, but don't worry, more instructions will be given later!

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GRADES

Grades for individual assignments and your final grades will be posted to Canvas throughout the semester.

[Click here](#) for info on accessing your **GRADES**

Please be mindful that your professors & instructors have **A LOT** of students! Grading takes time & we will try our best to get things back as quickly as possible!



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Still Feeling Lost?

Don't worry, Canvas has a whole index of online resources to help you navigate your online course that you can access by clicking [here](#)

You can also watch the **COURSE NAVIGATION VIDEO** by clicking "Next" at the bottom of this page



If you have any questions that have not been answered here or in the video, please post them to our **Course FAQ board** in the **HELP** Module