
Canvas Local Guidelines

Using Canvas in Different Modalities

Students benefit from consistency across courses, regardless of the [modality of instruction](#). In the tabs below, the benefits of using a Canvas tool in that modality are identified, and links to resources and guidelines for each tool is provided.

These WVC Canvas Guidelines were endorsed by the WVC Academic Senate on November 8, 2022.

New Window

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