



# NET+ Canvas Newsletter

July 2022

*In this version of the NET+ Canvas Newsletter, learn about the latest updates from Instructure about Canvas, comments and feedback from the Canvas Advisory Board, as well as best practices in Canvas use around the Internet2 Community.*



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July 13th, 2022

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## Instructure Updates

*The latest from Instructure regarding Canvas product offerings.*

### InstructureCon 2022 Lives On!



Thanks to your feedback and everything we've learned over the last two years of virtual gatherings, InstructureCon 2022 was a FREE one-day event with a unique date and format for each region.

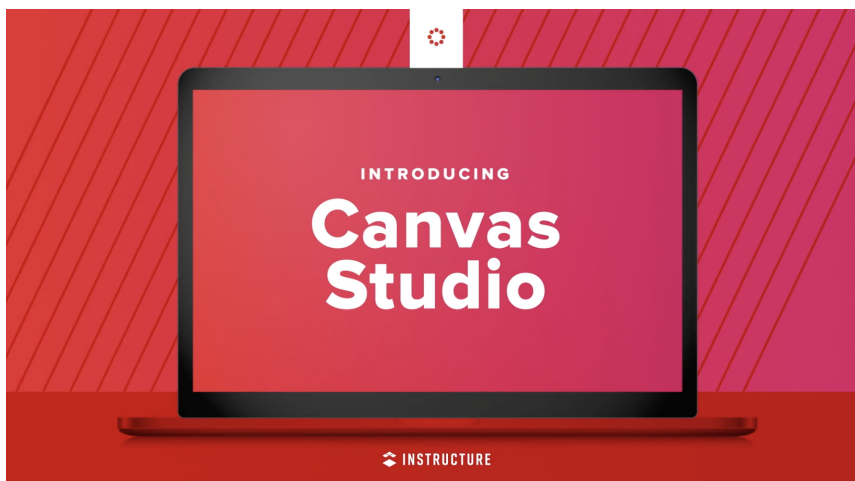
[Watch On-Demand](#)

## Your Guide to Choosing a Learning Management System



Download this guide to learn the six fundamentals for LMS evaluation criteria and how your institution can provide engaging and equitable learning experiences at scale. [Click here](#) to learn more.

## Canvas Studio | 2 Minute Overview



Canvas Studio transforms video learning by turning content into conversation. Integrating seamlessly with Canvas LMS, we invite you to discover how to make video learning more powerful.

## Imagining a New Future for Higher Education



To better understand how disruption is driving innovation, we hosted a series of chats moderated by NPR education correspondent Anya Kamenetz. Eight leaders discussed what they've learned in 2021 and shared how colleges and universities can continue to build resilient, thriving campus communities.

## On-Demand Webinars & Higher-Ed Stories

### Temple University and Canvas



Temple University in Philadelphia knew that switching its learning management system (LMS) would take time, effort, and buy-in. Upon implementation, its campus of 40,000 students and faculty were brought together by Canvas in ways they didn't expect.

The benefits of migrating to Canvas LMS became reality in four areas: ease of use, student success, accessibility, and reliability.

[Watch this video](#) below to hear from administrators and faculty at Temple how they addressed fears surrounding change, built community, and ultimately boosted student success.

## Internet2 NET+ Canvas Webinar on Impact



Please see below for access instructions to view the on-demand versions of yesterday's Internet2 NET+ Canvas Webinar on Impact. Please let me know if you have any questions or comments. Thank you.

Topic: Internet2 NET+ Canvas Webinar on Impact

Date: May 10, 2022 01:47 PM Eastern Time (US and Canada)

[Click here for Meeting Recording](#)

Access Passcode: DE5cl.5J

## University of Wisconsin System



Discover how UWS cultivated consistency with Canvas LMS at the core of its digital learning environment. [Read more here.](#)

## Measuring Impact: Elevate Your EdTech Investments.



Impact by Instructure (formerly Eesyssoft) helps institutions improve technology adoption and evaluate the impact of educational technology, while helping faculty and students seamlessly navigate new platforms. [Click here to watch.](#)

[Click here](#) for all things Higher Education by Instructure.

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## Canvas Advisory Board Updates

### Upcoming Meeting: August 10th, 2022

The next Canvas Advisory Board meeting will be on August 10th, 2022. Agenda items will be finalized and posted during the 2 weeks leading up to the meeting.



A complete listing of all Canvas Advisory Board meeting agendas can be found [here](#).

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## July Meeting Recap

The [agendas](#) for our upcoming 2022 meetings have been published for your viewing. Please note, these are working documents and subject to change so please check back for any updates on a regular basis.

This month's meeting consisted of several exciting updates from Instructure. Jared Stein (Instructure VP of Higher Education Strategy) presented on Instructure's merger & acquisition strategy for the foreseeable future as well as several opportunities for expansion. Jared also touched on a few exciting ideas for building upon the Edu App Center within the Canvas platform.

Thank you to all who participated in this month's meeting for your insightful feedback, ideas, and discussion! Should you have any questions or want further information around the work being done by the NET+ Canvas Service Advisory Board or a copy of the Partner Program Report, please don't hesitate to visit us at <https://spaces.at.internet2.edu/x/7BOJCQ> or contact us at [netplus@internet2.edu](mailto:netplus@internet2.edu) and we will be happy to respond.

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## NET+ Canvas Program Update

### Service Advisory Board Goals for 2021

These are the goals that the advisory board is looking to perfect at the January 2021 meeting:

#### **Goal #1**

Develop with Instructure a customer success culture that:

- identifies service and support best practices and next steps

- benchmarks Instructure's service and support appropriately for universities
- aligns Instructure's service and support to best help universities achieve their strategic goals for teaching and learning

Decision: Quarterly check-in, beginning in February, with a focus on how we measure success for Instructure's customer success culture.

### **Goal #2**

Develop a foundational construct with Instructure that puts in place a predictable process for the board to advise and offer insights on future product development or acquisition including cadence, structure, and practice for exchanging ideas.

- Deliverable: 3 “exchange” activities using/iterating this process on things that Jared, Shaun, or product owners are thinking about during 2021
- Deliverable: one of these “exchange” activities is to initiate a Contributing Team for Canvas Data/Live Events

### **Goal #3**

Continue to develop and refine, with Shaun, a strategy and process for I2 and R1 Peer universities to provide Instructure with actionable information on pain points and unmet needs. The strategy and process should be synced with Instructure's product development cycle and allow Instructure to clearly communicate status and progress back to the universities.

### **Goal #4**

Decision: Instructure cannot reasonably do the actual data sharing piece at this point, and universities are likely not ready to use/share de-identified data. And, we're all waiting to see what Unizin is doing in this space. So, we've decided to refocus on (a) what questions we want to answer with Canvas data, and (2) the best way we might answer those questions with the data. We'll tackle this topic in March with Oxana's replacement. 1/27 update: We may also want to explore a de-identified data sharing program through I2.

## **NET+ Canvas - HELPFUL LINKS**

- [NET+ Canvas Program Main Page](#)
- [NET+ Canvas 2020 Service Advisory Board Meeting Agendas](#)
- [NET+ Canvas 2021 Service Advisory Board Meeting Agendas](#)
- [NET+ Canvas Service Advisory Board 2021 Goals](#)



## Around the Community

*Commentary from 12 Canvas users: advice, best practices, feedback.*



### R1 Peers

The Canvas Peers Research Universities Group (or R1 Peers Group) brings together representatives from large public and private research universities to share best practices around using Canvas and the surrounding ed tech ecosystem to support teaching and learning. They also collaborate closely with Instructure (Canvas vendor) and sit on the Internet2 NET+ Canvas Service Advisory Board to improve the Canvas platform and user experience for research universities. This group represents more than 250 members from 45 institutions of higher education and research across the United States, and around the world.

For context, recently the R1 Peers Group has collaborated in the following areas:

- Tier 1 support
- Archiving
- 3rd party integrations
- Pain points
- Data privacy

## **LRS Standards SIG**

The Learning Records Store (LRS) Special Interest Group (SIG) assembles use cases for an LRS, creates an LRS reference architecture, and develops implementation/engineering best practices. The SIG promotes open standards that enable data from a variety of teaching and learning tools to be included in the LRS.

This group is chaired by the University of Washington and meets monthly on the fourth Wednesday of the month, however the LRS SIG is currently on hold until May 2022. For more information or to join this group, please reach out to Matthew Buss ([mbuss@internet2.edu](mailto:mbuss@internet2.edu)). Thank you.

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