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## FIU Canvas Updates

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### Description

#### November 2025

##### (2025-11-15) Canvas Release Notes

- [IgniteAI Translations for Inbox](#)
  - This feature enables AI-supported translations when composing and reading Inbox messages. All users can add a translated version alongside the original, choose the target language, and control whether the translation appears first or second - making it easier for senders and recipients to communicate clearly across languages.
  - This is enabled by default for all users, including students.
- [IgniteAI Translations for Discussions and Announcements](#)
  - This feature provides AI-supported translations for Announcements and Discussions when enabled, displaying the translated text alongside the original. Instructors can quickly open translation controls, select a language, translate, and reset as needed - improving accessibility and helping learners engage with course communications in their preferred language.
  - This is disabled by default for all courses, but can be enabled as a Feature Option if the instructor would like to use for their course.
- [IgniteAI Insights for Discussions](#)
  - This feature helps educators save time and make more informed decisions by providing quick, AI-powered evaluations of student replies. Instructors can efficiently assess relevance and quality without manually reviewing every post, allowing them to focus on meaningful feedback and supporting student learning.
  - This is disabled by default for all courses, but can be enabled as a Feature Option if the instructor would like to use for their course.
- [Ignite AI Rubric Generator](#)
  - This feature allows instructors to quickly generate editable rubrics with AI-suggested criteria, point values, and performance levels, saving time and improving consistency.
  - This is disabled by default for all courses, but can be enabled as a Feature Option if the instructor would like to use for their course.
- Performance and Usability Upgrades for SpeedGrader: [Comment Library Filter](#)
  - In SpeedGrader, a filter is added to the Comment Library if you have the [Performance and Usability Upgrades for SpeedGrader](#) feature enabled in your course. Instructors can filter by All Comments, Course Comments, or Assignment Comments.
- [Differentiation Tags](#)
  - This feature allows Instructors to organize students into custom groups based on learning needs, interests, or accommodations. These tags streamline assigning content, communicating, tracking accommodations, and filtering the gradebook—making personalized instruction easier and more discreet. Please review the [Differentiation Tags Instructor Article](#) for more information.

#### October 2025

##### (2025-10-22) Canvas Deploy Notes

- Performance and Usability Upgrades for SpeedGrader
  - [Assignment Comment Editor Supports Images, Math, and Course Links](#)
    - This update allows instructors to provide richer, more detailed feedback in assignment comments by including images, mathematical notation, and direct links to course content, improving clarity and engagement for students.

#### September 2025

##### (2025-09-24) Canvas Deploy Notes

- Gradebook
  - [View Hidden Grades Indicator](#)
- SpeedGrader
  - [Multi-Select Section Filter with Checkboxes](#)
- Enhanced Rubrics
  - [Clickable Outcomes Pill](#)
  - [Assignment and Rubric Points Mismatch Alert](#)
  - [Rubric Layout Persists](#)
  - [Rubric Incomplete Indicator](#)
- Performance and Usability Upgrades for SpeedGrader
  - [Multi-Select Sections Filter](#)

#### August 2025

##### (2025-08-16) Canvas Release Notes

- Feature Preview Change Log Updates - Smart Search
  - [Results Page Interface Update](#)
    - There is now an updated results page with IgniteAI branding and a filters button when using Smart Search.

##### (2025-08-13) Canvas Deploy Notes

- Groups
  - [Tooltip Added for Group Section Requirement Setting](#)
    - In the Groups page, when the Require group members to be in the same section checkbox is selected a tooltip displays.
- Notifications
  - [Improved Visibility for Course Activity Definitions](#)
    - The User Notifications page displays Course Activity definitions directly on the page, rather than as tooltips shown on hover.

#### July 2025

##### (2025-07-19) Canvas Release Notes

- [Discussions: Manage Threaded Replies in Legacy Type Discussions](#)
  - In Discussions that were created before May 2, 2024, a banner displays with a Manage Discussions button allowing instructors to enable or disable threaded replies in bulk. Individual discussion settings can be adjusted using a drop-down menu. This update replaces the previous temporary Make all Discussions Threaded button.
  - Threaded: When "threaded" replies are allowed, students can reply directly to another student's post by clicking a "Reply" button. The new reply will show up right under the original post, like a conversation thread.
  - Non-threaded: If "threaded replies" are turned off, students can't reply directly to other students' posts. They can only reply to the main, original post, and everything shows up in one long list instead of being grouped under individual comments.
  - **Note:** The banner only displays if the course contains at least one "legacy" type discussion, created before May 2, 2024.
- [Files: Redesigned Files Page](#)
  - The Files page is redesigned, and a temporary button at the top of the Files page titled "Switch to Old Files Page" allows users to switch between the new and original interface.
  - Key updates include:
    - Interface & Navigation
    - File Management Enhancements
    - File Interaction Changes
    - Selection Behavior Updates
    - Link Sharing
- [User Settings: Dyslexia Friendly Font](#)
  - When the Use Dyslexia Friendly Font feature option is enabled in User Settings, the Canvas interface and the Rich Content Editor display text using the OpenDyslexic font by default. If the feature is disabled, both OpenDyslexic and OpenDyslexic Mono are available as font options within the Rich Content Editor.
  - **Note:** OpenDyslexic font does not include Hebrew or Arabic characters. Additionally, if content is created using the Dyslexia Friendly Font, it will display in the default Canvas font for users who do not have the feature enabled.

##### (2025-07-16) Canvas Deploy Notes

- DocViewer (ChromeOS)
  - [Touch Support](#)
    - This update provides a more natural and flexible way for users on ChromeOS devices to interact with and annotate documents, improving usability and accessibility by supporting both stylus and touch input methods.
- Rich Content Editor
  - [Resize Controls](#)
    - This update improves accessibility by adding icons that let users easily resize the editor, providing an alternative to the previous drag-to-resize option.
- Accessibility Updates
  - [Enhanced Experience for Assistive Technology Users](#)
    - Updates enhance accessibility and usability, especially for users of assistive technology. Improvements include refined semantic structure, clearer error messaging, improved visual contrast, and enhanced keyboard and screen reader navigation to provide a more intuitive and consistent experience for all users.

##### (2025-07-02) Canvas Deploy Notes

- Rich Content Editor
  - [Default Image Dimension Type](#)
    - This update sets the most commonly used option of "Percentage" as the default for images, reducing the number of clicks required. This change also allows for responsiveness of different screen types and mobile devices.
- New Quizzes
  - [Detecting Multiple Sessions](#)
    - This update prevents students from starting multiple quiz sessions at the same time, helping ensure assessments are completed as intended. It also includes tools to log and manage potential technical issues.

**Please Note:** As a reminder, the use of New Quizzes is not recommended at this time due to limitations of functionality. Review the FIU Canvas Updates article for more information.

#### June 2025

##### (2025-06-18) Canvas Deploy Notes

- New Quizzes
  - [Rich Content Editor Media and Document Tools Disabled by Quiz Setting](#)
    - When the Disable Document Uploads quiz setting is enabled, students are restricted from using the Insert Media and Insert Document option in the Rich Content Editor.
  - [The Disable Document Uploads setting is disabled by default.](#)
  - [Support of MathML Equations in the Rich Content Editor](#)
    - In New Quizzes, instructors can use MathML code by switching the Rich Content Editor to HTML for the question stem.

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##### (2025-06-04) Canvas Deploy Notes

- SpeedGrader - [Studio Media Comment Screen Capture and Auto Captioning Feature](#)
  - SpeedGrader now allows for media comments that include screen capture and auto-captioning.

- Accessibility Tools - [Removal of Redundant Partner Content Statement](#)

#### May 2025

##### (2025-05-21) Canvas Deploy Notes

- **New Quizzes** - [Enhanced Moderation Tools and Interface Updates](#)
  - Instructors can add time to an active quiz attempt when moderating a New Quiz.
  - In the New Quizzes Moderate Page:
    - The modal is renamed to Course Accommodation, and the description is updated.
    - The student's name is relocated to the body text.
    - A checkbox is added to apply changes to the current quiz in-progress attempt.
    - Note that the Quiz Extensions integration in Canvas **does not** account for New Quiz Course Accommodations, which need to be set using this feature.
  - The Moderation tray is renamed to Current Quiz Accommodation with an updated description and includes the student's name in the body text.

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##### (2025-05-17) Canvas Release Notes

- New Quizzes - [Text Block](#)
  - Instructors are able to provide students additional context with standalone text or prompts that are not tied to questions on a New Quiz.
- Discussions - [Permalink for Discussion Entries](#)
  - In Discussions, each reply includes a copyable permalink allowing users to share a direct link to that specific reply. If the reply is part of a thread, the thread will expand to reveal it.
- Gradebook - [Gradebook Icon Update for LTI Assignment and Grade Service](#)
  - The activity progress values for Started and In Progress in tools using the LTI Assignment and Grade Service are updated.

#### April 2025

##### (2025-04-23) Canvas Deploy Notes

- New Quizzes - Updates include changes such as enhanced quiz activity log details, improved navigation, and enhanced moderation tools and interface updates.

- [Enhanced Quiz Activity Log Details](#)

- [Improved Navigation](#)

- [Enhanced Moderation Tools and Interface Updates](#)

#### March 2025

##### (2025-03-26) Canvas Deploy Notes

- New Quizzes - Multiple Selections in Hot Spot Questions
  - Instructors can enable multiple selections in Hot Spot quiz questions. This feature offers greater flexibility in how instructors assess student knowledge. Questions made before this change support editing to accept multiple hotspots.

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##### (2025-03-15) Canvas Release Notes

- Discussions
  - [Default View Settings](#)
    - This feature allows instructors to structure discussions in a way that aligns with their teaching approach, guiding student engagement and interaction.
- Import Content
  - [Import Content Page Enhancements](#)
    - This update enhances the user experience by updating the Import Content page to the latest InetUI version, providing a modern and consistent design. It also clarifies the import process with updated button text, improving workflow efficiency.

##### (2025-03-12) Canvas Deploy Notes

- New Quizzes
  - [Filter IP Addresses](#)
    - This feature allows instructors to enhance quiz security by restricting access to specific IP address ranges. By filtering IP addresses, instructors can ensure that students take quizzes from approved locations, such as a school network or testing center, reducing the risk of unauthorized access or academic dishonesty.

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#### January 2025

##### (2025-01-29) Canvas Deploy Notes

- ePortfolios
  - [UI enhancements for page and section management](#)
    - Additional options and buttons are added to the ePortfolio page to enhance the management of sections and pages within portfolios.

##### (2025-01-15) Canvas Deploy Notes

- New Quizzes
  - [Search by Canvas ID or SIS ID](#)
    - This feature allows instructors to search for students in the new quiz moderate area by using the Complete SIS ID.
  - [Reduce Answer Choices](#)
    - Instructors can moderate a student's quiz by removing one answer choice from multiple-choice questions that have four or more options in New Quizzes.

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