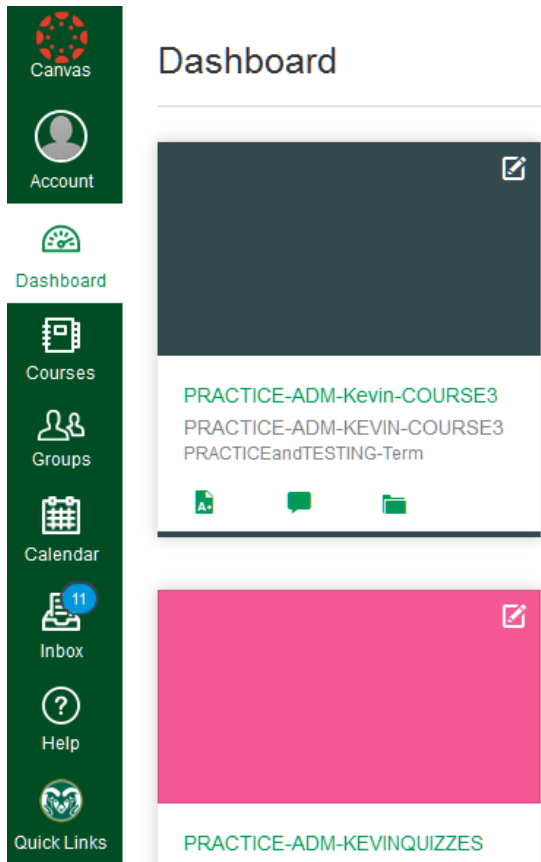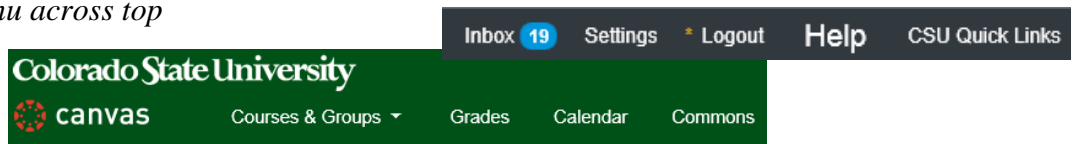# New Canvas Dashboard Navigation User Interface

Canvas has developed a new user interface for the initial, dashboard page that users will see when they login to Canvas. It is designed to have the same look and feel whether you use a desktop computer, laptop, tablet or smart phone.

Note: The menu in Canvas courses remains the same.

CSU will turn on the new Dashboard Navigation User Interface on Mon, May 23, 2016.

Old navigation menu across top of page.

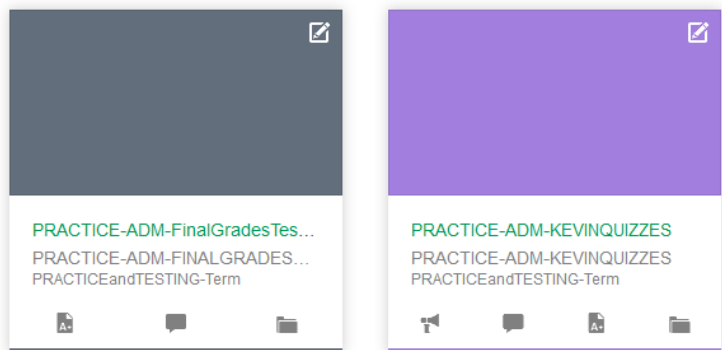*New Navigation Menu on Left Side of Page.*

New Dashboard with Course Cards.

Dashboard: View Course Cards or Global Activity Stream

The new course cards are the default view of the dashboard that users see when they login to Canvas.

Users can *toggle/change* the default dashboard to be the familiar course stream view.
Canvas will remember which view you prefer to see when you first login to Canvas.

Left: New course card view.		Right: Familiar Global Stream view.

Global Stream view

Dashboard

Recent Activity

A+ 3 Assignment Notifications
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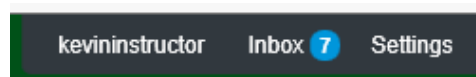
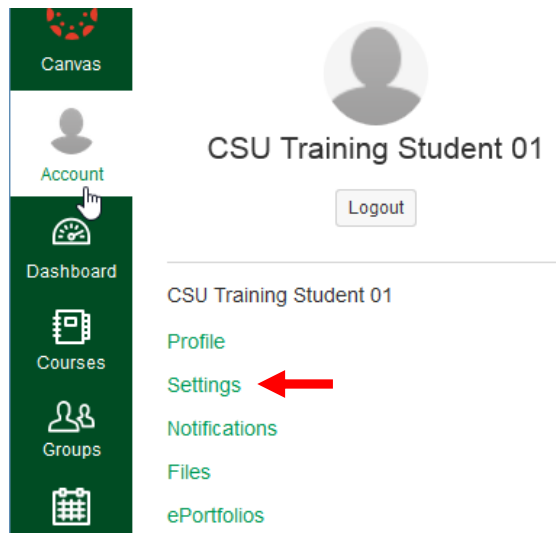# Account: User settings, notifications, files, ePortfolio

When a user clicks on the Account icon they can access:

- Profile – Add different email address, add Registered Services such as Google Drive, add a profile picture.
- Settings - Add **additional** email addresses, add Registered Services such as Google Drive
- Notifications – Determine which Canvas events will be sent to external email or text.
- Files – shows your personal files in Canvas. (Part of your 100 MB quota).
- ePortfolios – Access to Canvas ePortfolios tool. (Part of your 100 MB quota).

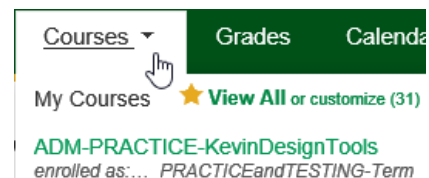*Old Interface: User Settings were at the top right under Settings.*

kevininstructor   Inbox 7   Settings

New interface: User Settings are located **under** the **Account** button.

Courses: All Courses and Favorite Courses

Old interface: courses at the top under the Courses drop down menu.

New Interface: Courses are under the Courses button on the left side menu.

Click on the **Courses** icon to see your [Favorite courses](#). (Those that you have starred).
Click **All Courses** to see all of your courses.

Favorite (starred) courses appear under Courses drop down menu and as Course Cards.

Users can *click* on **All Courses** to see all of their courses, **place gold stars next to their Favorite** courses, view course nickname, term, enrollment role and course published status

When you *click* on **All Courses**, on the left side *click* on a **star** to turn it **gold**. Courses that have a gold star will be your "**favorites**" which will appear first when you click the Courses button. Favorites also appear as the new Course Cards.
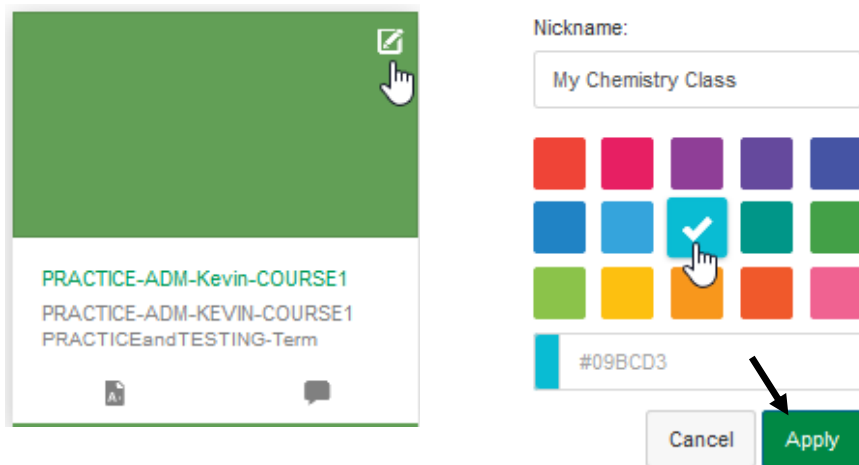
All Courses

Course	Nickname	Term	Enrolled as	Published
★ 2015FA-LIFE-102-L27: Attributes of Living Systems (GT-SC1) - Lab		2015-FALL-Term	Teacher	Yes
★ ADM-PRACTICE-IncompleteTesting		PRACTICEandTESTING-Term	Teacher	Yes
★ ADM-PRACTICE-KevinDesignTools		PRACTICEandTESTING-Term	Teacher	Yes

Course Cards: Nicknames and Colors

With course cards, a user can give a course a nickname and assign a color to that course's card.

- Users *click* on the **edit/pencil icon**.
- *Type* in **nickname**.
- *Select* **color**.
- *Click* **Apply**.
- *Note*: when you change this color it also changes that course's color under Calendar.

At the bottom of a course card, you will see **icons** that indicate **recent activity** in that course.

In the example above, there is a new assignment and new discussion post in the course. *Clicking* the **icon** will take you to that portion of that course.

Grades

Old interface: *On the top menu.*

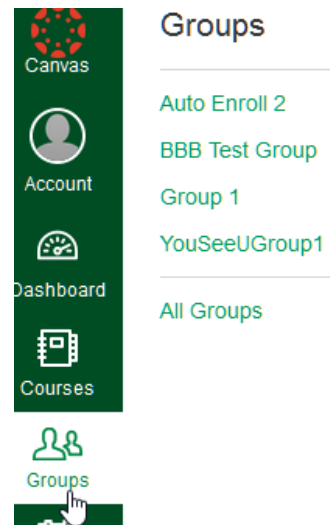**New interface**: <u>*Bottom right of Dashboard window*</u>.

Course Groups

Old interface: *Student course groups were combined under courses.*

New interface: *Student course groups now have a separate button on the left menu.*

Calendar

Old Interface: *the calendar was at the top.*

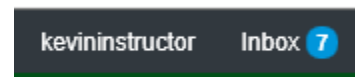*New Interface: Calendar button is on the left side menu.*

Click on the **Calendar** icon to see your course calendars.

As noted before, if you change the color of the course card for a group, it will change the color of the course on the calendar.

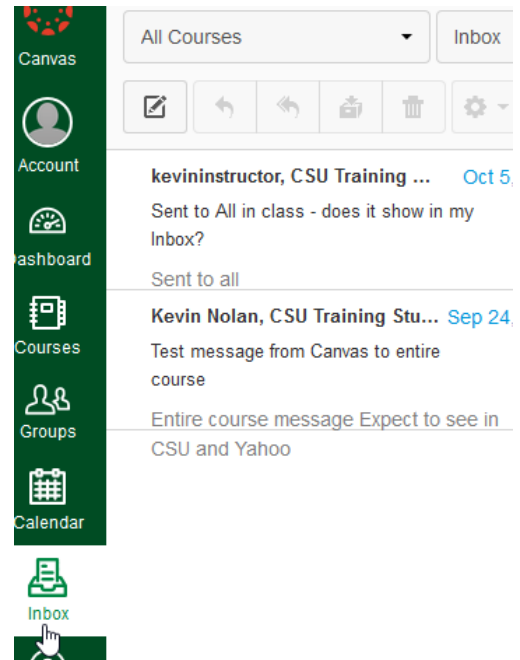
Inbox – Conversations/Messages
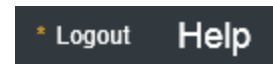
Old Interface: the inbox was at the top right.

New Interface: Inbox button is on the left menu.

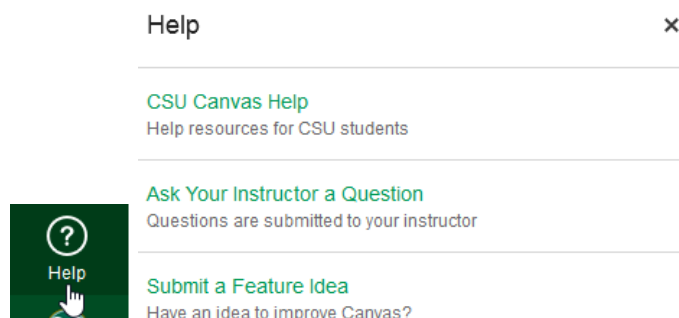*Click* on the **Inbox** icon to see Conversations/Messages.

Help

Old interface: Help was located at the top right.

New Interface: The Help button is towards the bottom of the left menu.

Click on the **Help** icon to see
Canvas help resources.

CSU Quick Links

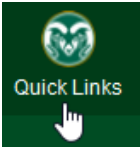*Old interface: CSU Quick Links was located at the top right.*

New Interface: *The CSU Quick Links button is located towards the bottom of the left side menu.*

Click on **CSU Quick Links** to see list of CSU resources that may be helpful for online teaching.
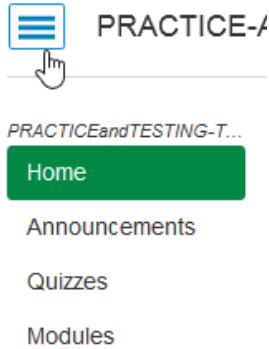

CSU Quick Links

Colorado State University
Computer Labs
Course Reserves
CSU Libraries
CSU Libraries Ask Us! Chat 24/7
CSU Accessibility Guidelines
eID
Google Apps for CSU
Help Desk
RamPoint
RAMweb
The Institute for Learning and Teaching (TILT)
Technology Training Center (TTC)
Videos (Instructional)
Writing Studio

Show / Hide Course Menu within Canvas Course

When you are in a Canvas course, *click* on the **three line icon** at **the top left** to **hide/show the course menu**. This allows you to see more of the course content on your screen.

Course menu visible.
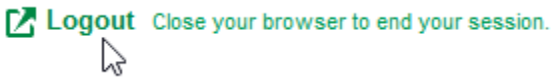
Course menu hidden.
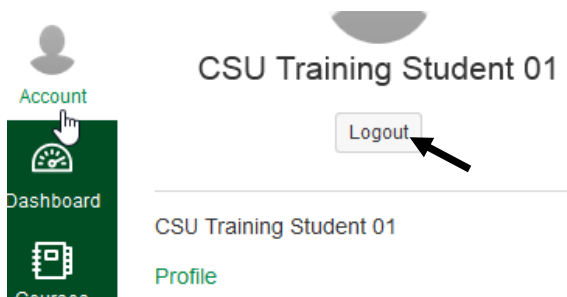*Click three line icon again to see course menu.*

Logout of Canvas:

Users can logout at the **top right of the page**.

Or users can logout under Account, Profile/Settings

Canvas Help / Support

College Canvas Coordinators:

http://info.canvas.colostate.edu/instructor-support.aspx

CSU Canvas Help Page:

http://info.canvas.colostate.edu/

Email Canvas Central Support:

canvashelp@colostate.edu