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. When you log in to Canvas you’ll notice that the navigation buttons have been moved from the top right to the left side of the window.

*Note: The menu in Canvas courses remains the same.*

You’ll find that after you use the new dashboard User Interface a few times, it will be easy to navigate in Canvas.

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

We timed this to be after spring semester grades were due and early in the summer semester.
New Left Hand Navigation Menu

Old navigation menu across top right of page.

New Menu on Left Side of Page.

New Dashboard with Course Cards.

Can Change Dashboard to Display Global Stream Activity.
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.

Dashboard

Users can toggle the default dashboard to be the older course stream view.
It will remember which view you prefer to see when you first login to Canvas.

Dashboard

Recent Activity

3 Assignment Notifications
PRACTICE-ADM-KEVINQUizzes and TRN-ADM-RampUp-Aug2015

SHOW MORE ▼
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.

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.
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
- 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).
Courses: All Courses and Favorite Courses

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

![Courses](image)

**Favorite (starred) courses appear under Courses drop down menu.**

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.
Calendar

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

Inbox – Conversations/Messages

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

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

Help

- **CSU Canvas Help**
  Help resources for CSU students

  **Ask Your Instructor a Question**
  Questions are submitted to your instructor

  **Submit a Feature Idea**
  Have an idea to improve Canvas?

CSU Quick Links

**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.

Logout of Canvas:

Users can logout at the top right of the page.

Or they can logout under 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