



Powering Up Your Canvas Course, Part 1

Beginner



Update Your Profile Picture

Having a professional picture of you in your profile makes your students feel more comfortable and makes them feel that you are actively engaged and "present" in the course. Likewise, asking students to put a picture of themselves in the course encourages them to engage in dialogue with their peers. Go to Account> Profile

[How to Add a Profile Picture](#)



Add a Biography and Contact Information

While you are in your Account settings, go ahead and add a short biography and some contact information for your students. It gives you more credibility and relatability. Tell them about your teaching experience and throw in a few hobbies. Go to Account> Profile> Edit Profile

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Set Your Notification Preferences

Canvas includes a set of default notification preferences you can receive. Notifications are sent as one of four delivery types: right away, daily summary, weekly summary, or don't send. They apply to all of your courses; you cannot change settings for individual courses. Go to Account> Notifications.

[How to Set Your Notification Preferences](#)