Why is Course Design Important?

NNU Center for Instructional Design and Technology

Non-Verbal Communication
How you structure your course content, both in-class and online, speaks volumes to your students.

Course Design is Everywhere
Course design encompasses everything related to how and what you teach in each course.

Easy to Navigate
Make course information easy to find. You want students to spend time working on your course rather than trying to find something in your course.

Complete Information
Help students become self-sufficient by providing clear and complete information.

Communicate your Structure
Clearly explain to students where they can find information in your course.

IDT Can Help
We can help you design and build your courses in Canvas!
Students Want a Clear and Consistent Structure

NNU Students want consistency in how Canvas Courses are Setup

These are the Top five organizational requests from NNU students

Weekly Modules
Weekly modules help students navigate content and manage their time

Assignments
Students want all their assignments in Canvas with accurate due dates.

Class Schedule
Students want a schedule of topics and assignments. They want the course schedule in the syllabus to match what is in Canvas.

Canvas Calendar
Students use the Canvas Calendar to view deadlines. Use assignment due dates, to-dos, and add course events.

Up-to-Date Grades
Students monitor grades in Canvas. Spread out due dates across classes to help manage your grading load.

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