



UTSA[®]
Academic
Innovation

Innovative Learning Environments

January 2023



Upgrading UTSA's Classroom Experience

Evaluated Classrooms

- Created a cross-functional team
- Examined peer models
- Met with students and faculty
- 179 classrooms ranked
- 95 classrooms selected
- Four phases developed

Identified Needs

- Predictability for faculty
- Student-centered
- Universal design principles
- Flexibility

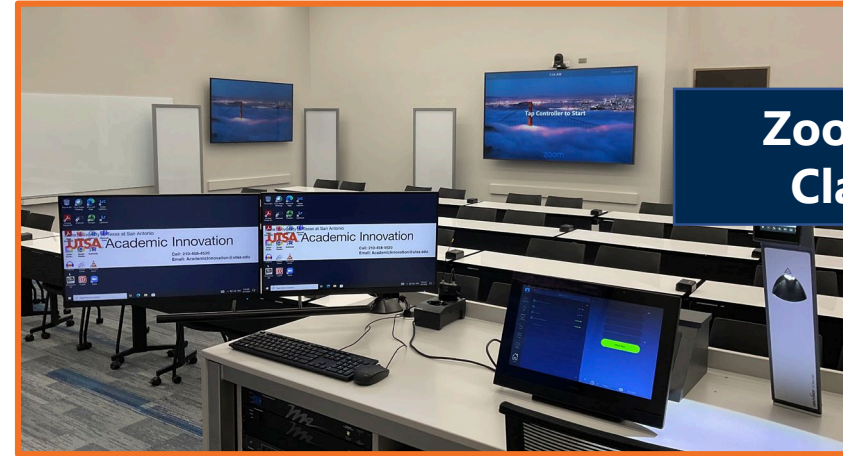


Enhancing Pedagogy with Technology

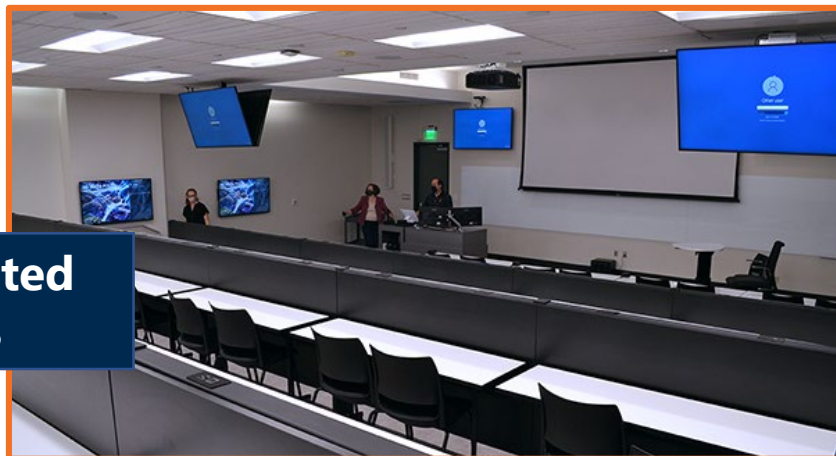
**Core
Classrooms**



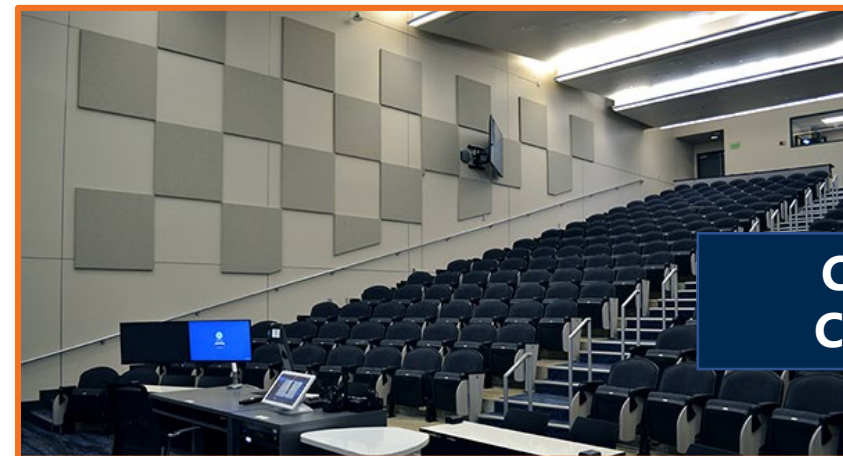
**Zoom Unified
Classrooms**



**Active-Connected
Classrooms**



**Connected
Classrooms**





A National Model for Classroom Experiences

- Applying lessons learned in each phase
- Mitigating supply chain challenges
- Creating RowdyFlex
- Collaborating with Registrar's Office
- Ongoing assessment and training



2022 EDUCAUSE Horizon Report®
Teaching and Learning Edition



EDUCAUSE



Selecting a new LMS

Driving the change

- Blackboard Learn LMS contract and support ending
- No significant LMS enhancements since 2012
- Evolving student needs and behaviors

Finding a new LMS solution

- Surveying students and faculty
- Conducting focus groups
- Examining peer institutions' approach
- Working with UT System partners



Upgrading to the Canvas LMS



Modern
Navigation



Mobile
Responsive



Third Party
Digital Tools



Built-in Calendars,
Tools and
Templates



Accessibility
Features



24/7 Support



Migration and Training

Phased Training

- Phase I – Fundamentals
- Phase II – Digital Applications & Engagement

Migration Checklist

- Blackboard to Canvas equivalency
- Start to finish migration course readiness
- On-demand course reviews

Format

- Hybrid workshops,
- One-on-one consultations,
- Self-paced courses
- Faculty and student bootcamps
- Departmental trainings
- Video and document resources



K16 Solutions



Canvas Resources

- **Community of Practice**

- Faculty Champions

- **Communications**

- Website: utsa.edu/canvas
- Faculty News
- Email Updates
- Canvas@utsa.edu

- **Third Party App**

Integration

- **Dedicated Support**

- 24/7 Canvas Tier I support
- Academic Innovation Support Desk
- Academic Innovation Center

open Canvas hours



Canvas Timeline Overview

Spring 2023

- Course Migration Begins
- Faculty Access to Canvas & 2022 courses
- Phase I Training for Faculty
- Technical Configuration
- Canvas 24/7 Support Launches

Summer 2023

- Technical Configuration Complete
- Third-Party Apps Integrated
- Course Migration Concludes
- Access to Spring 2023 courses
- Phase II Training Begins
- Semester Prep Bootcamps

Fall 2023

- Access to Summer 2023 courses
- Just-In-Time Training Launches
- Classes Begin with Canvas as UTSA's LMS
- Blackboard access ends



Canvas Transition Working Group

Additional Names To Be Announced | List as of Jan 17, 2023

Administrative

- Marcela Ramirez, AI
- Jonathan Gutierrez, AI
- Dustin Barrows, AI
- Melissa Mahan, PaCE
- Jake Erney, AI
- Shelley Howell, AI
- Claudia Arcolin, AI
- Amy Buechler-Steubing, Student Success
- David York, UTS
- Susie Saucedo, Graduate School
- Laura Sheehy, COB

Faculty


- Rita Mitra, ACOB
- Sidury Chistiansen, COED
- Debra Pena, UC
- Terri Matiella, COS
- Lorenzo Brancaleon, COS
- Hector Aguilar, COS, Honors
- Ryan McPherson, COLFA
- Alberto Cordova, HCAP
- Arturo Montoya, CEID
- Tim Yuen, COED, CEID, COS
- Seok Kang, COLFA
- TBA Faculty Senate


Students


- Tiffany Hunter, Graduate Student
- Maribel Martinez, SGA Academic Affairs Chair, Undergraduate Student
- Jeni Brett, SGA Senator, Graduate Student
- Matthew Medina, Undergraduate Transfer Student





Student Excitement for Canvas

 **ingrid.gulmar** Right when I'm about to graduate this semester 😞 Guess I gotta get my master's! 😜
18h 5 likes Reply Message Send


 **melody._annemarie** When I'm about to graduate this semester 😭😭😭 jealousssss
17h 2 likes Reply Message Send


 **i.go.by.soap** Never thought I'd see this day 😊😊
14h 2 likes Reply Message Send


 **peppers_dad** Oh finally
20h 9 likes Reply Message Send

 **btrip113** I get one semester of canvas before I graduate 😞
20h 16 likes Reply Message Send

 **grahams_insta_** Major win for UTSA students! I remember tweeting complaints at the Pres. like 3 years ago. Glad other students won't have to deal with Blackboard's trash.
19h 5 likes Reply Message Send

 **tjv2289** Nice!
9h Reply Message Send

 **jomellogram** FINALLY. THANK YOU!
19h 1 like Reply Message Send

 **puppycowgrl** LETS GOOOOO
12h Reply Message Send

 **pokemonett** slay
19h 1 like Reply Message Send

 **CORY** @corynr1024 · 10h
Replying to @UTSA
Thank you!! Oh how I've missed canvas 😭
144 🗨️ ↺️ ❤️ ↗️

 **Frank** @TheFrankHack · 10h
Replying to @UTSA





**YOU'RE
INVITED**

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 25

10 A.M. – 2 P.M.

**Academic Innovation Center
MS 240, UTSA Main Campus**

Entrance located behind the Rowdy statue

Academic Innovation Center

GRAND OPENING