Creating a Contact Information or Other Custom Widget for your Homepage – D2L Tutorial

Tutorials

This tutorial is designed for faculty who have experience using D2L. For further information, please contact <u>elearning@camosun.ca</u> for assistance.

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Scenario

This tutorial will cover the steps involved when you wish to create new Widgets for placement on your course's Homepage, for example a Contact Information Widget. Note that this tutorial presumes you have NOT copied an already modified Widget from another course. If this is the case, all you will need to do is add it to your Homepage.

Steps

1. Go to your course homepage and click Edit Course.



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2. Click Homepages.

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Course Administ	ration		
Category Name			
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Site Resources			
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4. Click Create Widget.

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5. Enter a name for your Widget (for example "Contact Information") – this is the name that will appear in the title bar of the Widget on the Homepage. Then, click the **Content** tab (the Name will save automatically).

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6. Enter the content you with to have in the Widget (for example, your office hours, or a link to website.) Click **Save and Close**. You are now ready to add your Widget to your Homepage. See the Tutorial *Adding Widgets to your Homepage* for instructions.

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Things to Remember

Make sure to add the content for your Widget through the Content tab!

Your new Widget will not appear on your Homepage until you have added it to your Homepage (see the tutorial *Customizing Your Homepages* for more information)

Once you have created new Widgets, you can copy them to other courses using **Import/Export/Copy Components**.

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