



## Adding Widgets to your Homepage – D2L Tutorial

This tutorial is designed for faculty who have experience using D2L. For further information or assistance, go to our [Team Dynamix Support portal](#) and click the appropriate Category to submit a ticket.

### Scenario

This tutorial will cover the steps involved when you wish to add Widgets from your Widgets list onto your course's Homepage.

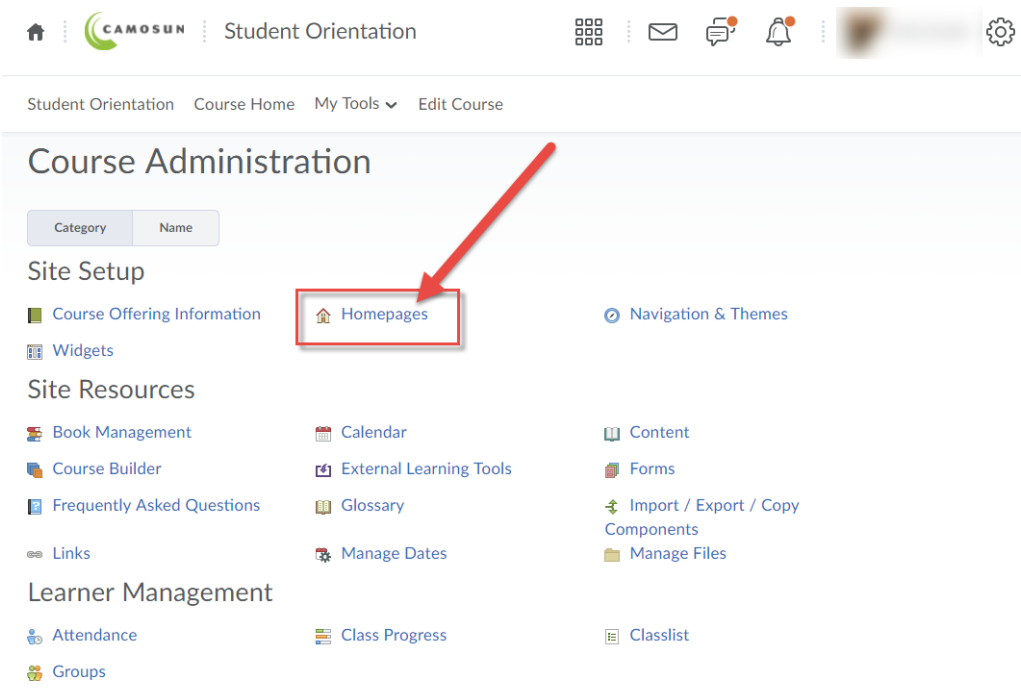
### Steps

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

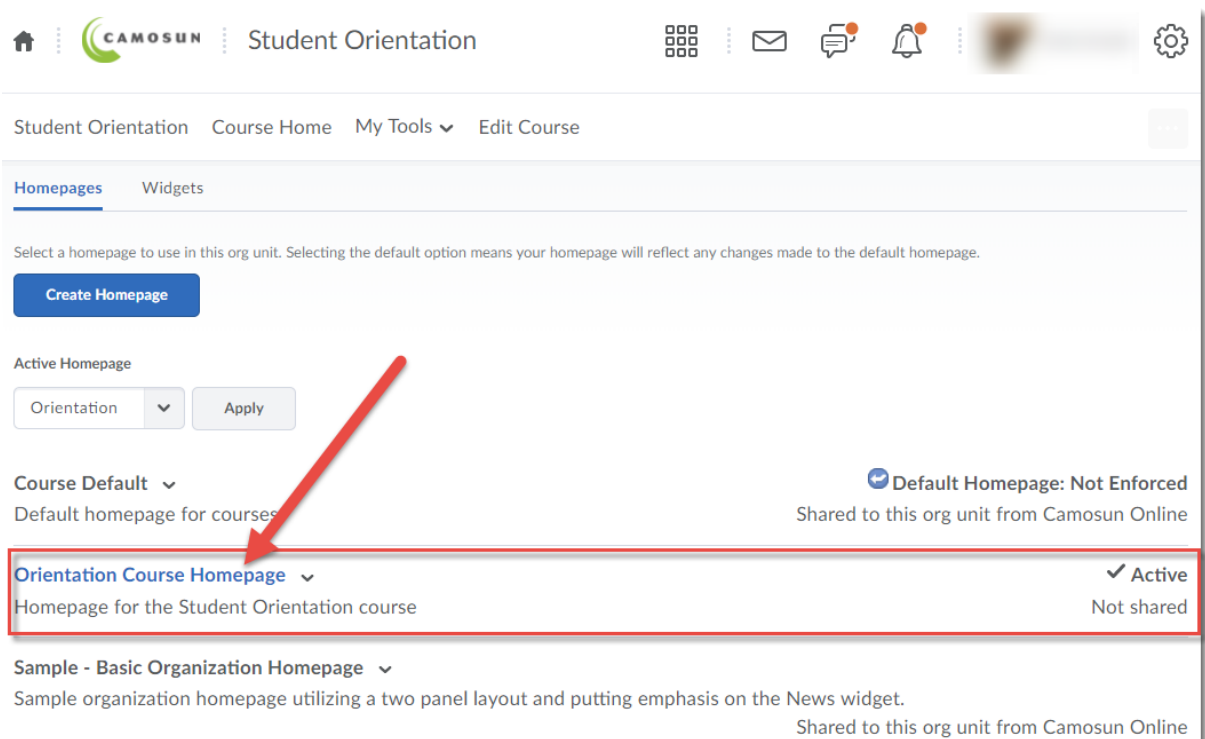
The screenshot shows a D2L course homepage for 'Student Orientation'. At the top, there is a navigation bar with a home icon, the Camosun logo, the course name 'Student Orientation', and several utility icons (grid, mail, chat, notifications, profile, settings). Below the navigation bar, there is a breadcrumb trail: 'Student Orientation > Course Home > My Tools > Edit Course'. The 'Edit Course' link is highlighted with a red box, and a red arrow points to it from the left. The main content area is divided into two columns. The left column has a 'News' section with a 'Welcome to Daylight!' announcement posted on Mar 29, 2018. The right column has a 'Territorial Acknowledgement' section with a photo of purple flowers and a text block. Below that is a 'Bookmarks' section with 'My Bookmarks' and a message stating 'No bookmarks have been added.'



2. Click **Homepages**.

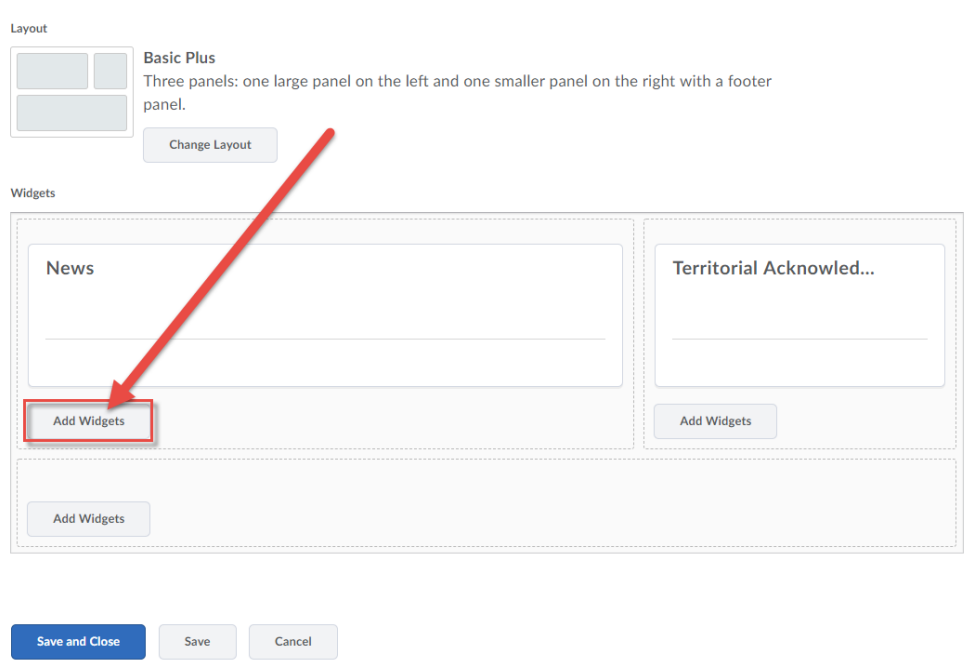


3. Click on the title of your active Homepage.

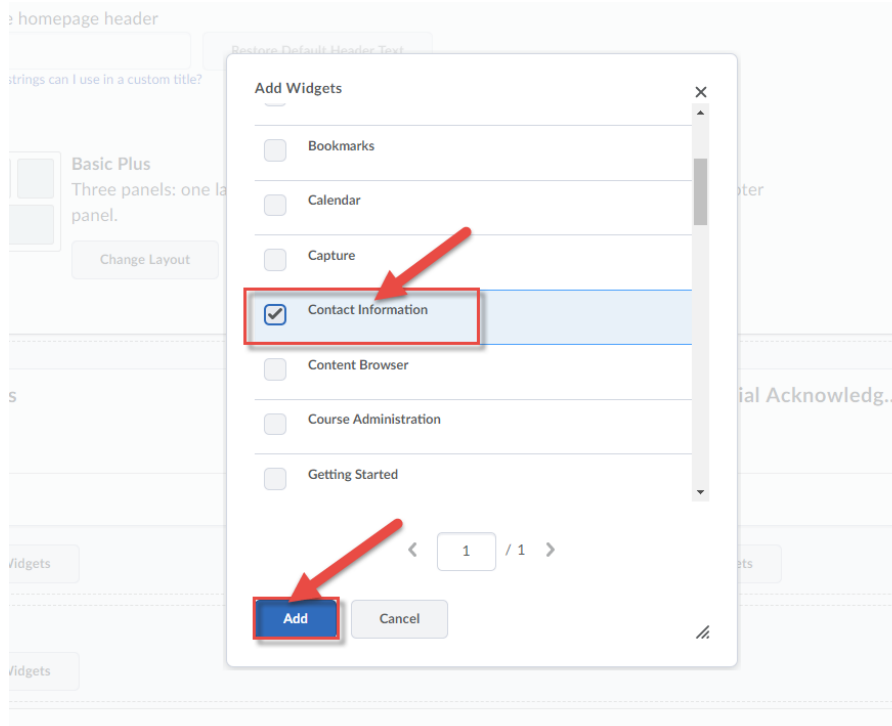


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4. Scroll down, then click on the **Add Widgets** button in the section of the Homepage you wish to add a Widget to.



5. In the pop-up box, select the Widget(s) you want to add to your Homepage (to see only widgets you have created, click **Custom Widget**). Click **Add**.



6. If you like, you can move your new Widget by clicking and holding down your left mouse button on the Widget, and dragging it to another location in the Widget box. Click **Save and Close**.

The screenshot displays a configuration interface for a homepage. At the top, there is a checkbox labeled "Include homepage header" which is currently unchecked. Below it is a text input field and a button labeled "Restore Default Header Text". A link below the input field reads "What replace strings can I use in a custom title?".

The "Layout" section shows a preview of the "Basic Plus" layout, described as "Three panels: one large panel on the left and one smaller panel on the right with a footer panel." A "Change Layout" button is located below the preview.

The "Widgets" section shows a preview of the homepage layout. It features a "News" widget on the left and a "Territorial Acknowledged..." widget on the right. A "Contact Information" widget is highlighted with a red border and a red callout bubble that says "Select and drag." Below the widgets is an "Add Widgets" button.

At the bottom of the interface, there are three buttons: "Save and Close" (highlighted with a red box and a red arrow), "Save", and "Cancel".

## Things to Remember

The Widgets you add to (or delete from) your Homepage will only appear if your Homepage is activated. Check this first if your changes do not appear.

To create custom widgets, see the tutorial *Creating a Contact Information or other Custom Widget for your Homepage* tutorial.



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