

# POLICY AND PROCEDURE

# Syllabi Archiving Policy

# POLICY STATEMENT:

TITLE:

The purpose of this policy is to establish a systematic and organized process for the storage and retention of course syllabi within the University of Bridgeport Canvas Learning Management System (LMS). This policy applies to all courses regardless of modality or delivery method.

# **PROCEDURE DETAILS:**

Canvas will serve as the official digital repository for storing and accessing course syllabi. Each College requires its faculty members to upload their updated course syllabus to their Canvas course shell prior to the start of the term using one of the provided templates (See Appendix A and B). This will help ensure transparency and consistency in course expectations for students and promote a more streamlined process for institutional record-keeping.

Initial Upload: Faculty members must upload their most recent syllabus to Canvas prior to the start of the term.

Updates: In the event of any changes to the syllabus during the term, faculty members must promptly update the syllabus on Canvas to reflect the modifications. This includes changes to assignments, due dates, readings, and any other relevant information. Faculty must also notify students of the change(s).

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Faculty members are encouraged to seek assistance from the Center for Excellence in Learning and Teaching (CELT) or Instructional Design for support or training resources on efficient use of the live syllabus tool in Canvas.

# PUBLISH POLICY STATEMENT (CLICK ON BOX NEXT TO OPTION-SELECT ALL THAT APPLY):

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# **DEFINITIONS:**

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# OFFICES DIRECTLY AFFECTED BY THE POLICY:

Faculty, Provost's Office, Office of Institutional Effectiveness (OIE), Center for Excellence in Learning and Teaching (CELT), Online Studies/Instructional Design.

**HISTORY:** Syllabi Archiving Policy created December 1, 2023. Policy and procedure were approved by the Office of Institutional Effectiveness (Date TBD). The policy and procedure were approved by Cabinet (Date TBD). The most recent review and/or revision by the responsible office (April 2025).

EFFECTIVE DATE:	May 6, 2024
RESPONSIBLE OFFICE (ONLY ONE):	Provost's Office
Review Date:	Policies are reviewed or revised annually by the responsible offices. Reviewed or revised policies and procedures shall be sent to the OIE during the annual review process, held during the summer semester.

# **APPENDIX:**

(See attached for syllabi templates)

## Current procedure (from Faculty Handbook):

Teaching Duties and Responsibilities, Sec 2, p. 4): Updating syllabi according to the master course syllabus, uploading the syllabus to Blackboard prior to the class start, and sending an electronic copy to the department by Census Day.



# Course Title Course Code/ Section Number – Credit Hours

Day(s):	Time(s):	Classroom:
Instructor:	Office Hours:	Office Location:
Phone:		Email:

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#### Prerequisite/Co-requisites:

#### **Course Description**

- Provide the catalog description of the course, approximately a paragraph in length.
- Provide the Carnegie credit hour statement and/ or a statement about time commitment requirements.
- Include a Canvas use statement.

#### Required Learning Materials and Text(s)

- This information should be in the citation format supported in your discipline (APA, MLA, etc.).
- (Optional) Include ISBNs and/or pictures of the text.
- Include Information about required technology, if applicable (e.g., calculator, laptop, software/apps).

#### Recommended Text(s)

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#### **Course Goal**

• Provide a brief statement that describes the overarching purpose of the course to the student, approximately one sentence in length.

#### **Student Learning Outcomes**

• List the main outcomes for the course that students should learn by the end of the course OR include a table mapping the student learning outcomes to the assessment methods. Approximately 5-7 outcomes are recommended using Bloom's taxonomy or another taxonomy applicable to a specific field.

# Learning Activities, Course Expectations, and Grading Policy

List the graded categories for the course and their assigned percentages of the entire course grade. Example:

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٠	Professionalism/Participation		10%
•	Class Assignments/Homework		15%
٠	Quizzes		10%
٠	Project		5%
•	Research Paper		10%
٠	Tests		25%
•	Final Exam		25%
	Total		100%

- List any grade requirements from the course or program. For example, students must complete this course with a 73% or higher in order to advance to the next level course or students enrolled in this program must maintain a 2.7 GPA throughout their program of study.
- Include additional information about grading policy, if applicable (e. g. dropping lowest grades, etc.)
- If appropriate, provide a description of learning activities in the grading policy to provide students with an understanding of the expectations of the course work. This could include broad descriptions of each category or specific details such as assessment directions or references to rubrics.

Final grades are assigned by the instructor based on the University of Bridgeport Grade Scale published in the catalog.

#### UB grade scale and/or Insert Program grade scale

	A: 93% – 100%	A-: 90% – 92%	
B+: 87% – 89%	B: 83% – 86%	B-: 80% – 82%	
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## **Course Outline OR Course Schedule\***

- Provide a breakdown with weeks (Modules) of the following:
  - Lecture/discussion topics
  - Assignments
  - Dates of quizzes, papers, tests, final exam, etc.
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Dates	Topic(s) Covered	Assignments/Reading to be completed before class	Assessment Schedule

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## **Instructional Objectives**

• If applicable, list any instructional objectives related to topics or lectures for your course.

# Accreditation Information

• If applicable, provide any accreditation statements you may need to include for your program.

# **Class Policies**

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- As per university policies, attendance is tracked through Canvas.
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# STUDENT ACCESSIBILITY SERVICES

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