

# Semester Prep Instructions

This document will provide you with a checklist you can use to prepare your course in the LMS.

[Click here to review a video that takes you through this process.](#)

## Directions:

1. Look at your class schedule in mySSC to determine if your classes are 8 or 16 weeks.
  - a. If 8 weeks make sure to see if they are the first or second 8 weeks, you will need to confirm the dates are set and to know what master course to copy.
2. Contact the Course Coordinator to see if there is a Master Course you can copy.
  - a. Open the course you will be teaching.
  - b. Click on Course Tools.
  - c. Click on Course Management.
  - d. Click Import/Export/Copy Components.
  - e. Click on Copy Components from another Org Unit.
  - f. Click on Search for Offering.
    - i. In the search bar add the name of the Master Course and click on Search.
    - ii. Click on the bubble beside the Master Course name and click on Add Selected.
  - g. Click on Copy All Components.
    - i. Wait on the page till you receive confirmation that the course has been copied.
    - ii. Click on View Content.
3. Download the template of the class syllabus.
  - a. Add your information to the syllabus.
  - b. Update the Course Outline/Calendar with the dates for the Start Dates and Due Dates.
  - c. Keep it handy as you will use it to set the course dates.
4. Go to the Lessons page and set the open date for each weekly folder.
  - a. Click on the Weekly Folder.
  - b. Click the three dots to the right of the Create New button.
  - c. Click on Edit.
  - d. Click on Availability Dates & Conditions.
    - i. Set the Start Date.
  - e. Click on Save and Close.
5. Set the due dates on assignments.

### Assignments and Quizzes

- a. Locate the assignment in the assignments folder.
- b. Click on three dots at the top of the page.
- c. Click on Edit.
- d. Change the Due Date.
- e. Click on Save and Close.

## Discussions

- a. Locate the assignment in the assignments folder.
  - b. Click on three dots at the top of the page.
  - c. Click on Edit.
  - d. Click on Availability Dates & Conditions.
    - a. Set an End Date.
    - b. Click on the box beside Add availability dates to Calendar.
  - e. Click on Save and Close.
6. Update the Start Here page.
- a. Update the Instructor Welcome with your information.
  
  - b. Update the Course Syllabus page.
    - i. Click on the page.
    - ii. Click on the three dots and click on Edit.
    - iii. Delete the existing class syllabus.
    - iv. Add your new class syllabus.
    - v. Click on three dots at the top of the page.
    - vi. Click on Replace.
    - vii. Click on My Computer.
    - viii. Upload the Syllabus.
    - ix. Click on Add.
    - x. Click on Save and Close.
  
  - c. Review other pages listed and update as needed.
7. Update/Create Announcements.
- a. Click on Course Tools.
  - b. Click on Announcements.
  - c. Change the dates of the announcements by clicking on the v icon and then clicking on Edit.
  - d. Create any new announcements that are needed and set the Start and End Dates.
8. Set up the Grade Book.
- a. Click on Grades.
  - b. Click on the Setup Wizard and go through the options listed there.
9. Update the availability of the Course.
- a. Click on Course Tools.
  - b. Click on Course Management.
  - c. Click on Course Offering Information.
  - d. Under Active click on Course is active.
  - e. If desired, you can modify the Start Date to open the course early.