Murach books Canvas courses

The Canvas courses for Murach books are designed to help any college instructor or corporate trainer run an effective course based on a Murach book or eBook.

What's included in a Canvas course file

Our Canvas course files include all of the objectives, quizzes, assignments, and PowerPoint slides that you need to run an effective course. This content has already been imported into Canvas and organized into modules that provide a great starting point for your course.

How to import a Canvas course

After you download one of our Canvas course files (.imscc), it only takes a few clicks to import the course into Canvas:

1. Log in to your Canvas account and go to the Dashboard.

2. Select "Start a New Course" and respond to the prompts.

3. Select "Import Course Content".

4. On the Import Content page, select "Canvas Course Export Package", click the Choose File button and navigate to the .imscc file for the Canvas course, select "All Content", and click the Import button.

5. Go to the Dashboard and select the Canvas course to view it. This should be a good starting point for your course.

How to customize a Canvas course

Once you import a Canvas course, you need to customize it so it's right for your course. Fortunately, Canvas makes it easy to do that.

Here are some common ways to customize a course:

- Modify the Home page and the About Me page so they're appropriate for your class.
- Unpublish any modules that you aren't going to cover.
- Unpublish any items within a module that you don't want to assign.
- Add due dates to the module items.

Here are some other ways you might want to customize this course:

- Change the sequence of modules.
- Modify the quizzes to allow multiple attempts or to impose time limits.
- Move the longer "assessment" quizzes to a different module.
- Modify the longer "assessment" quizzes so they include questions from different test banks.
- Add your own assignments.

- Add your own final projects.
- Add links to helpful videos such as Zoom recordings of lectures.

What's not included in the Canvas course

The Canvas course file doesn't include the source code for the book applications and exercises that are presented at the end of each chapter. That's because Module 1 of the Canvas course instructs your students to download these files from www.murach.com.

Since the exercise solutions are included in this download, the Canvas course only assigns these exercises in a few rare cases. However, these exercises are a great way to learn, so you may want to encourage your students to do them anyway. In addition, your students should review the code for the applications presented in this book as they progress through your course.

To keep the modules uncluttered, the Canvas course doesn't include some assignments that are available from our complete instructor's materials. That's because the complete instructor's materials provide more assignments than are necessary for a typical course. However, if you want to add any of these assignments to your course, you can add items for them to the appropriate modules.

Any comments?

If you have any comments about our books or Canvas courses, we would be delighted to hear from you. If you discover any errors, we would appreciate hearing about them. And if you want to let us know that you're going to adopt one of our books for your course, that would make our day.

Just email us at the addresses below. But whether or not we hear from you, we want to thank you for your interest in our book.

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