

Canvas Accessibility Quick Check

Run a brief review before publishing content.

FTCC Canvas Course Launch Resource | New Quizzes only | No Canvas-integrated AI features

Click Path

Edit Canvas content → Accessibility Checker → Review and correct

Why This Matters

Accessible Canvas content supports assistive technology and improves readability for everyone.

Steps

1. Use built-in heading styles in a logical order.
2. Write descriptive link text instead of “click here” or raw URLs.
3. Add useful alternative text to meaningful images; mark decorative images appropriately.
4. Use tables only for data and identify headers.
5. Use sufficient contrast and never rely on color alone.
6. Use lists for lists and concise paragraphs.
7. Caption video and provide accessible alternatives for audio.
8. Run the Canvas Accessibility Checker and correct identified issues.
9. Test links, files, keyboard access, and narrow-screen readability.

Verify

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| ☐ Headings create a meaningful outline. | ☐ Links make sense out of context. |
| ☐ Images have correct alternative text. | ☐ Tables have headers and are not for layout. |
| ☐ Text and controls have sufficient contrast. | ☐ Videos have accurate captions. |
| ☐ Linked files are accessible. | ☐ The Canvas checker was run. |

Important Limits and Common Mistakes

- The Canvas checker does not guarantee full accessibility.
- PDF, Word, PowerPoint, video, publisher, and external-tool accessibility need separate checks.
- Do not add an inaccessible file because the Canvas page passes.

Primary Resource

Canvas Accessibility: community.canvaslms.com/t5/Accessibility/ct-p/accessibility | WCAG: [w3.org/WAI/standards-guidelines/wcag/](https://www.w3.org/WAI/standards-guidelines/wcag/)

Guide-ready recording path: Edit Canvas content → Accessibility Checker → Review and correct → demonstrate the essential setup → show the final verification step.