Kortext FAQ – Tri-C Faculty

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Faculty can continue selecting and assigning course materials as usual. ISBNs remain the same and the content on Kortext will be the same.

Starting in the upcoming term, you will no longer need to copy the Brytewave LTI tool into your courses. Our campus is moving to a globally accessible "My Materials" link that will provide all students with access to their content – whether it's hosted on Brytewave or Kortext.

What changes will I see in Brightspace? – Great question!

1. Institution Navigation Bar will change from Follett Discover to My Materials – you can still access your courses and materials here for each course you are teaching during the current semester

   [Image: Screenshot of Institution Navigation Bar showing 'My Materials' replacing 'Follett Discover']
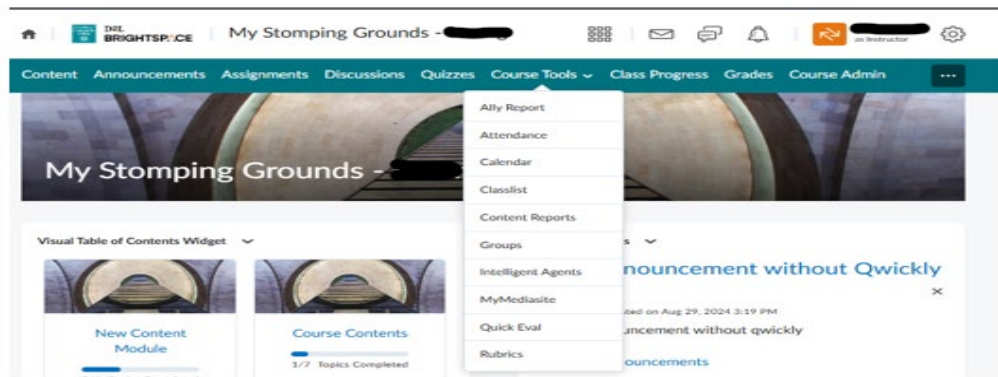
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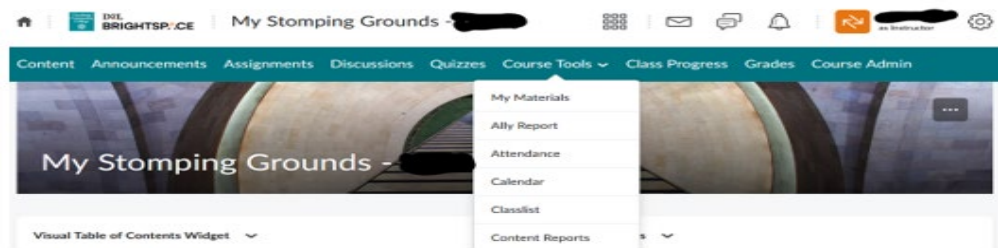   Need to establish EOL
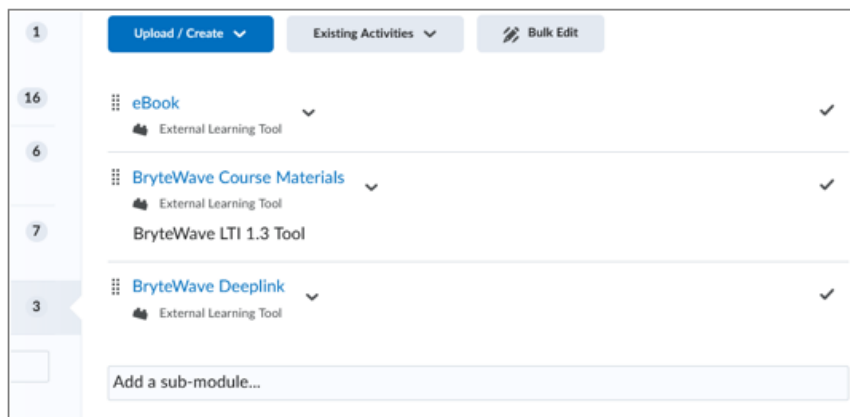
2. Course Navigation Bar will include My Materials – this will provide Course Materials information for each specific course within

   [Image: Screenshot of Course Navigation Bar with 'My Materials' tab]

Instructor View – Course Homepage (Existing)
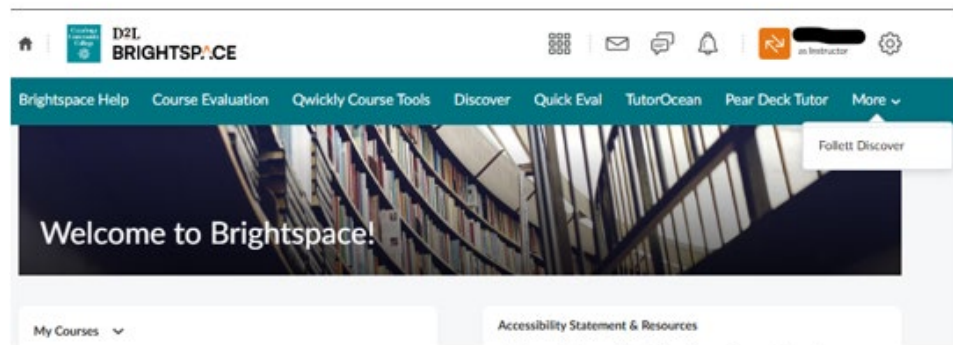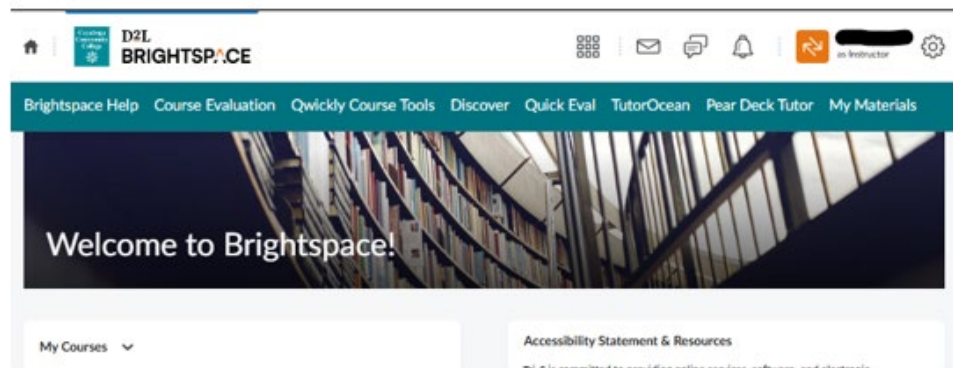

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3. What about my Brytewave Books I linked in Brightspace?

[Image: Screenshot of Brytewave materials access through My Materials tab]

Instructor View – Global front Institution Homepage (Existing)

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All digital materials, including current Brytewave digital books will be accessed through the My Materials tab in Brightspace - the Brytewave link will not be disabled until an agreed upon date (TBD) but it will not be available for faculty or staff to click on to link future materials. With the Kortext eReader there is no need to link eBooks since access will be provided through the My Materials tab

Students will be able to continue to access their Brytewave materials (if they are permanent access) directly through brytewave.reshelf.com after the Brytewave link is disabled at the LMS level

4. What about the Willo Tool I have integrated? – there is no change to the current Willo Tool in Brightspace and it is accessed the same way it is now

Does this migration affect Tri-C Books? – NO!

Students will still access their digital eBook content through My Materials within Brightspace and their specific course. Digital eBooks will still be delivered directly to the Student Brightspace LMS. MyLabs, MyMastering, and Revel (Pearson courseware) will be delivered to Kortext for code-retrieval, exactly how it is completed with Brytewave at this time. Courseware such as Connect, MindTap, and Achieve will still be paired within the course for student access. If you use the Willo Tool for your courseware, you will still pair your course accordingly, same as you currently do in Brightspace

How does is affect me (Faculty)? - There are No Changes for Faculty

1. The process of selecting and assign course materials remains unchanged.

2. The ISBNs for adopted course materials will remain the same with the transition to Kortext, so there is no need for faculty to update syllabi or other resources.

3. Note: Clarification pending from administration. This section will be updated once confirmed.

How do I access my Adopted Materials (Faculty)? - In your LMS - Brightspace

1. Log into your LMS.

2. Open your course or look in the navigation menu for a link labeled My Materials

3. Click the link, find your digital materials on your Discover Shelf, and start studying.

OR – Via Email

You will not have to add any additional links to your individual course shells. Both you and your students can access in the following way:

Accessing Kortext Materials via Email

1. Check your school-issued email for a message from Kortext.

2. Click the activation link provided.

3. Your content opens automatically in your Kortext Library

Can I link out to the web from my book? – YES, YOU CAN!

Make a note

First select the area you would like to link by clicking and dragging your cursor over the relevant section of text.

In the popup that appears, click 'Add note' from the menu.

Create your link

From the 'Add note' menu screen, click the 3 dots in the right-hand corner. From here click 'Link' from the dropdown.

Copy and Paste your URL

In the top textbox, type what you would like the link to be called in the text, for example, click here'.

Copy the URL of the linked page from the address bar in your browser. Paste into the text field labelled 'URL' in the popup.

Then click/tap the 'Insert' button.

Follow your link

You will now see an underlined section of text in your note.

When hovering over this text, you will see the linked webpage URL. When clicking the underlined text, you will be taken to the linked webpage in a separate tab.

Finding your linked webpages

You will be able to find your links in the 'notes' section of the left-hand toolbar, which is identifiable by its page icon.

Click on this icon to see a list of your notes and click the pencil icon to access your web link.

Alternatively, click on the highlighted text within the book, and access your link from there.

Can I download my eTextbook? – YES, YOU CAN!

Books can be downloaded to your library for offline access on our desktop and mobile apps.

When first opening a title in the Kortext app, you will be prompted to download the book and are given an indication of the file size.

To protect publisher content, downloaded books can only be accessed on the Kortext platform and will not be provided as a modifiable file.

Can I print pages of my eTextbook? – YES, YOU CAN!

Kortext allows you to print pages from your eTextbook via the web reader. The amount is restricted by the publisher's copyright.

The option to print is available on the left-hand panel in the reader and can be accessed by clicking on the Print icon. Here you can also see how many pages you have left from your copyright allowance.

This balance will reset after a set amount of time, so you will be able to print more pages of your eBook. The length of time between the reset of your allowance differs depending on the publisher.

How do I know when I have content to read?

Students and faculty will receive emails from no-reply@kortext.com when content is provisioned to their accounts.

How to Request a Desk Copy

Faculty are eligible for a free desk copy of any eBooks hosted on the Kortext platform. There are a few ways to obtain a desk copy if you don't already have one.

Sampled Content is Automatically Placed on Your Shelf

All digital content in the Follett adoption tool is available for faculty sampling. When titles are sampled, they are automatically added to your shelf for future reference.

After locating the title you wish to have on your shelf, click the "Open Desk Copy" button and the title will be added to your bookshelf.

Adopted Materials in an Access Program are Automatically Placed on your Shelf

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