

e-Bytes

A Newsletter from e-Learning Services



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Welcome to e-Bytes!

Welcome to the first issue of a monthly newsletter from e-Learning Services! The purpose of this newsletter is to keep LCSC faculty and staff informed of happenings in the world of e-Learning and the Testing Center. In addition, be sure to check out “Today’s Tech Byte” at the bottom of each issue. This section will feature short time saving tips for Blackboard, course design, or accessibility.

This first issue of e-Bytes was distributed by Campus Communication. Future issues will be delivered to division chairs, deans, and VPs, and distributed on from there. You can also access issues of [e-Bytes on the web](#).

Today’s Tech Byte: Group “My Courses” by Term



Blackboard

Tired of seeing a massive list of courses in your “My Courses” list in Blackboard? Click the “Gear” that pops up when you hover over “My Courses” or “Course List.” Then check the box “Group by Term.” You can also reorder the terms in the list by dragging and dropping the current term to the top of the list. Click and drag the double-ended arrow that appears to the left of a term name to move it.



Group by Term	Select All/Unselect All	Term Name	Term Duration
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	2018FA	From August 17, 2018 to December 20, 2018
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	2018SP	From January 12, 2018 to May 16, 2018
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	2017FA	From August 18, 2017 to December 19, 2017
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	2019SP	From January 11, 2019 to May 15, 2019

LCSC in the Market for New Online Course System

This spring, e-Learning Services submitted a request for proposals (RFP) for a new learning management system (LMS). The RFP closes at the end of January, at which point a review team of LCSC faculty and staff will evaluate proposals and select the best candidates. These candidates will be invited to campus to demonstrate their products.

Vendor demos will happen in late February or early March. All staff, faculty, and students are encouraged to attend. After the demos, the review team will use campus feedback and a state-mandated rubric to evaluate and select the LMS best suited to meet LCSC’s needs.

This decision came in the wake of a year-long review of LCSC’s current LMS, Blackboard, and comparable products (Canvas, Schoology, and Brightspace).