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**Template + LMS =
Best Practices in
Online Course Spaces**

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Rationale

- **Quality Matters™**
- **Content Expert/Design Expert**
- **Future Goals**

Template Tour

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LMS Template

stop
watch

Perspective

- **Fully Online**
- **Web-Enhanced**
- **Faculty Support/Web-Enhanced**

Perspective 1



[link](#)

Perspective 2



[link](#)

Perspective 3



[link](#)

If you give me 10 minutes...

- **Choose the tools you want to use while getting started eg:**

- **calendar**
- **email**
- **discussion**




- **Upload files**

- **Introduce the syllabus template**





Tools

Add tools to the course by selecting the check boxes. Remove tools by clearing the check boxes. If you remove a tool, all content in that tool is saved and available if you add the tool again.

Organizational Tools

-  **Calendar**
Enter important events and deadlines, and allow Students to enter their own events.
-  **Search**
Search for content in the course.
-  **Syllabus**
Provide course requirements, objectives, and policies.

Communication Tools

-  **Announcements**
Post important information in a central location.
-  **Chat**
Chat with other users in the course in real time, or use the Whiteboard to display images.
-  **Discussions**
Post and respond to messages on specific topics.
-  **Mail**
Send messages to other users.

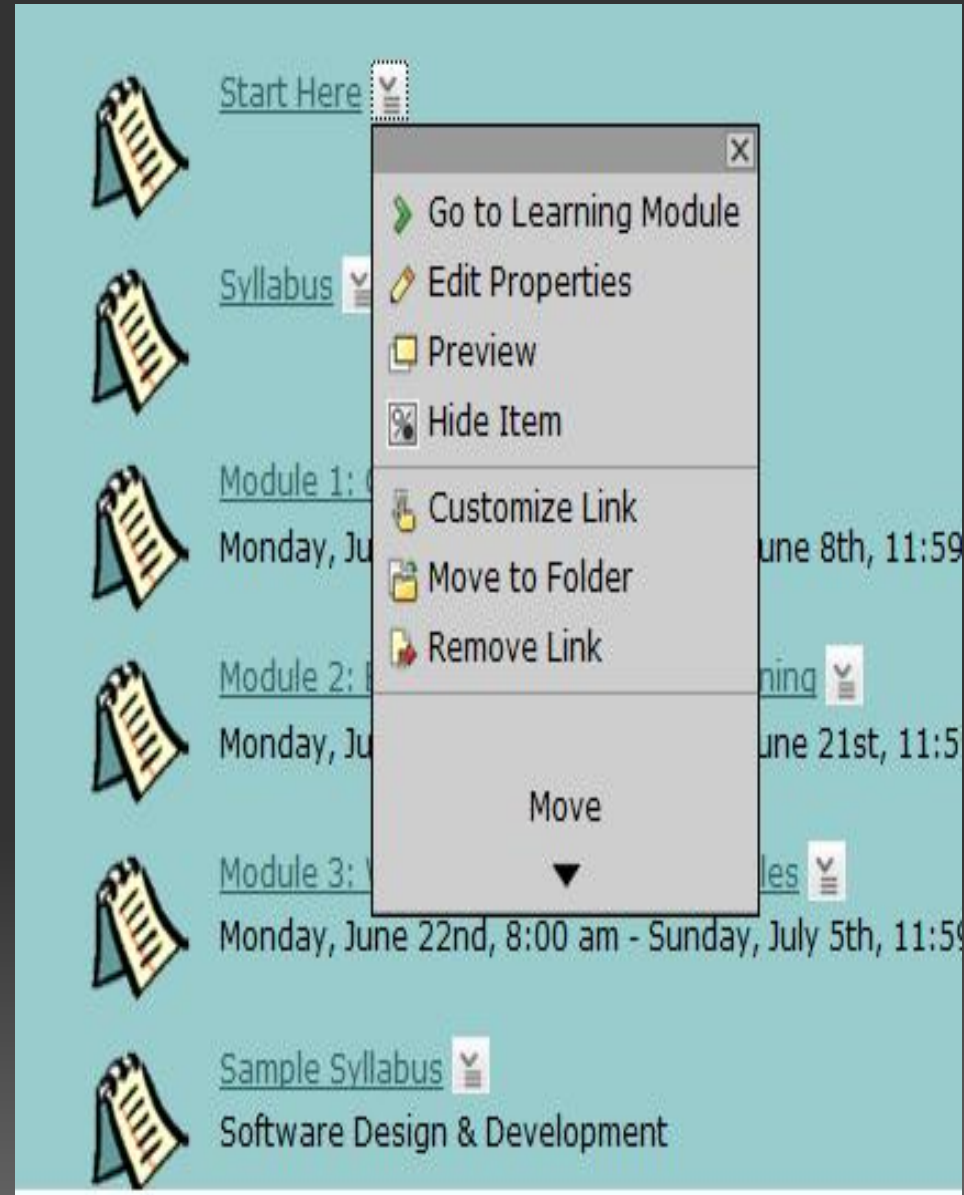
If you are using an Epack with the template

- You can use your epacks along with the template easily
- The template is uploaded to your course space first
- You would then import your epack as you would any other time
- The next step would be to tweak both to your satisfaction

As Little or as much when you want

You can:

- Include as many tools as you want
- Include as many attributes of the template as you want
- Show or Hide template pieces or tools when you want to utilize



You never have to create this course again

Once you have edited you course space and template

- **It is backed up on the network**
- **New semester upload your materials**
- **Ready to start again**

Wrap Up

- Anecdotal Response
- What's Next
- Q & A

Resources

- Take a closer look at the template - username: guest
- Quality Matters
- A Framework for Designing Questions for Online
- Alternatives to the Online Lecture
- Instructional Strategies for Online Courses: Small Group Work
- Web Accessibility Quick Tips