Getting Started with TILT Templates

Directions

Use these step-by-step instructions to access and apply the TILT templates from the Teaching & Learning Center for Excellence at Columbia Basin College. There are two (2) versions: the CBC TILT Template and the CBC TILT Template Lite. The difference is that the CBC TILT Template incorporates course and page elements developed using HTML whereas the CBC TILT Template Lite comprises content developed in the Canvas Rich Text Editor alone. Neither requires knowledge of HTML to use; however, some may feel more comfortable using the CBC TILT Template Lite as any inadvertent errors may be more easily rectified within the Rich Text Editor.

Reminders & Cautions

- As with any other changes to a Canvas course, a template should be applied with care.
- I **strongly** recommend you create a "staging (sandbox)" course, set your desired content into the templates within this staging course, and *then* import into your live course to avoid any unpredictable results.

Step 1: Locate the TILT templates.

- Sign into your instance of Canvas using the hyperlink (URL) and credentials (username and password) you typically use.
- Click the Commons button on the Canvas global navigation at the very left of the screen.
- In the Commons search bar at top, enter the search phrase: CBC TILT.
- The author for these templates will be listed as CBC EdTech.
- Click the title of the template you wish to use to open its resource page.

Step 2: Import or download the template.

- Click the **Import/Download** button on the right side of the screen. The **Import/Download** panel opens at right. You may also add the resource to your favorites to access it quickly.
- Importing: If you are importing to a Canvas course, select from the list of courses in which you are a teacher and import into the course of your choice. Use a "staging" course first.
- Downloading: Scroll all the way down to the bottom of the list on the panel at right. Click the Download button. Save the zipped file to a location you can access easily.

Step 3: For downloads: Apply the template.

- Open the target Canvas course. Create and use a "staging" course for this purpose.
- Navigate to Home > Import Existing Content OR Settings > Import Course Content.
- For content type, select Canvas Course Export Package.
- Select your saved zip file from Step 2.
- For content, select All content.