

LEARNING ENVIRONMENTS NEWSLETTER

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UPDATES

NEW FEATURES

Starting on May 15th, instructors will be able to provide a file as an assignment and **allow students to annotate the file directly in Canvas**. For information on how this can affect your assignments visit the [New Assignment Type blog post](#).

REMINDERS

Learning Environments is taking a summer break from First Fridays, and Coffee Hours, but they will be back in August! For summer workshops, please check the [training calendar](#).

TIPS AND TRICKS

CANVAS

Adding a discussion board for Frequently Asked Questions allows students to post their questions about the course and communicate with each other. The instructor and students can Subscribe to receive notifications for any updates to the thread. Visit [Add an FAQ Discussion Board](#) for more information.

ACCESSIBILITY

There are some exciting accessibility learning opportunities lined up for the month of May, including an interactive workshop on [Global Accessibility Awareness Day \(GAAD\)](#). There are also sessions on favorite topics like Adobe Acrobat, PDF forms, Microsoft Word, PowerPoint, Adobe Indesign, and video captions. Visit the [Access @ Rice Blog](#) or the [Training Calendar](#) for the schedule and to register.

KALTURA

Kaltura media content can be downloaded by the owner only by default. However, if you would like a video that you own to be downloadable by class members, you can set it that way in My Media and then publish it to Media Gallery. [Visit How to Download Media](#) for instructions.

ZOOM

Update your Zoom! Zoom meetings allow users to switch between camera and microphone inputs and share content in several different ways. Visit [Managing Zoom Meetings](#) for more information and instructions.

SUPPORT

- 24/7 for Canvas using Canvas Support (last button on Global Navigation Bar in Canvas)
- See the [Training Center](#) for Tech Tools workshops, coffee hours, or to sign up for one-on-one training
- Email teaching@rice.edu for general help