

Challenge

Add a student learning outcome to Canvas using the **Outcomes** tool in order to align it with an activity to track student achievement.

Considerations

Generate your outcome(s) before adding them to Canvas' **Outcomes** tool.

Tips

- Keep the timeframe of the learning experience in mind.
- Make sure your outcomes are *Specific*
Measurable
Achievable
Realistic
Time-bound
- Be mindful of the discipline-specific knowledge and skills you want students to develop.
- Avoid phrasing outcomes using verbs that cannot be observed.
- Avoid nested outcomes that contain several distinct outcomes.
- In the **Outcomes** tool, use a 0-4 scale with mastery at 3 or above to match the mastery levels displayed in the **Learning Mastery Gradebook**.

Instructions

1. Go into the course to which you would like to add a learning outcome.
2. Click **Outcomes** from the Course Navigation menu on the left.
3. Click the **+ Outcome** button on the top left.
4. Name the outcome something clear.
5. (Optional) Enter a **Friendly name**. (This is what appears to students in the **Student Learning Mastery Gradebook** if you have enabled that on the **Feature Options** tab of the **Settings** page.)
6. Enter a clear and explanatory description of the learning outcome.
7. Edit **Criterion ratings** by clicking the pencil in the bottom right of each box.
8. Insert more criterion ratings as needed by clicking **Insert** between existing criterion ratings.
9. Enter a value at which mastery is reached in the **Mastery at** box. (This value should be within the range of criterion ratings.)
10. Choose the mastery calculation method from the dropdown box next to **Calculation Method**. (This will determine how overall outcome achievement is measured if the outcome is aligned to more than on assessment in Canvas.)
11. Click the **Save** button.