Replacing Blackboard:
Recommendation

LMSWG

- Learning
- Management
- System
- Working
- Group

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Charge: Find a replacement for Blackboard Vista which will not be supported or licensed beginning January of 2013.

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- Jane Kuehne, College of Education
- Lourdes Betanzos, College of Liberal Arts
- Tina Loraas, College of Business
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- Kathy McClelland, IMG - Chair
- David Benjamin, OIT
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Initial Timeline

- December 2010 - January 2011
  - Identify and begin initial evaluation of replacement LMS
    - IMG research
      - Resource web page developed
  - Identify and develop criteria for evaluation rubric
    - Initial survey of faculty

- February 2011 - March 2011
  - Intro-to webinars for each
  - Initial evaluation of each

LMS considered

- Blackboard Learn 9.1
- Sakai (rSmart)
- Moodle (Moodle Rooms)
- Desire2Learn
- Instructure Canvas

Evaluation Timeline

- ## February 2011 - March 2011
  - Intro-to webinars for each
  - Initial evaluation of each
  - Identify two best options for AU

- ## April 2011
  - On-campus presentations of two finalists
  - Recordings made available online
    - Of Intro-to webinars
    - Of on-campus presentations
  - Faculty responses
    - Available online
    - Paper survey at on-campus presentations

Faculty responses

- Canvas is acceptable replacement   55
- D2L is acceptable replacement   35

- Canvas in NOT acceptable replacement   2
- D2L is NOT acceptable replacement   4

- Which LMS would be the best replacement for Blackboard Vista?
  - Canvas   39
  - D2L   8
  - Either/both   3

Recommendation

Based on feedback obtained during on-site presentations and from on-line feedback forms, as well as on [LMSWG] members' review of feedback and their own evaluations of each LMS, the LMSWG unanimously recommends that Auburn University adopt Instructure Canvas as the LMS to replace Blackboard Vista. Further, the LMSWG recommends that the transition to Canvas begin immediately.