



# iLearn: Creating Modules

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Modules help organize course content like folders or book chapters. They can be arranged by time frame, topic or course components. We recommend using terms like *Module* or *Unit* rather than specific weeks to make course copying across semesters easier.

## Creating Modules in D2L

### Add a Module

1. Click the “Add a module...” box.

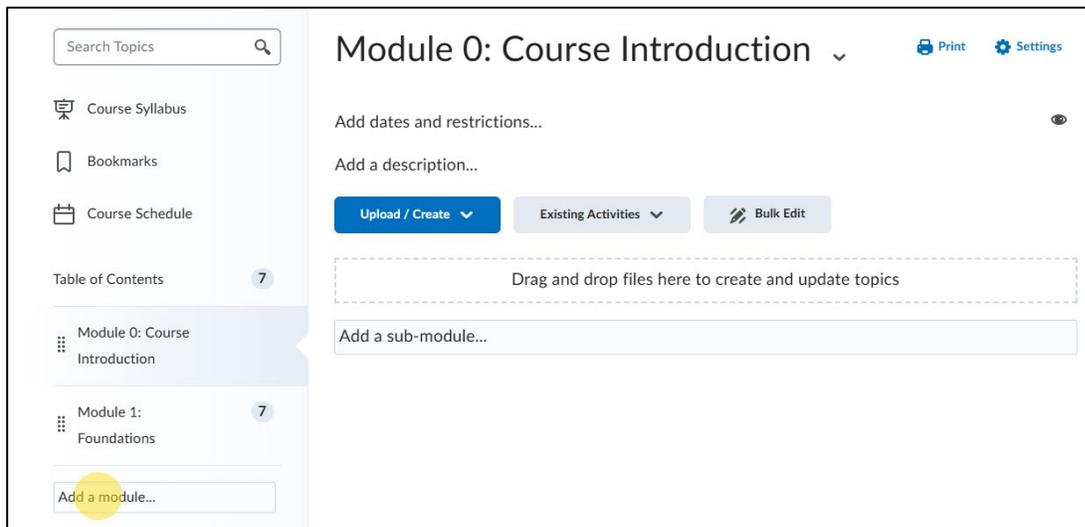


Figure: Add a module in the left-hand toolbar in Content

2. Enter the module’s title in the input-text box.
3. Click return/enter on the keyboard.

### Add a Submodule

Submodules are optional and provide an additional layer of content organization.

1. Select the module where the submodule will be created.
2. Click the “Add a sub-module...” box.

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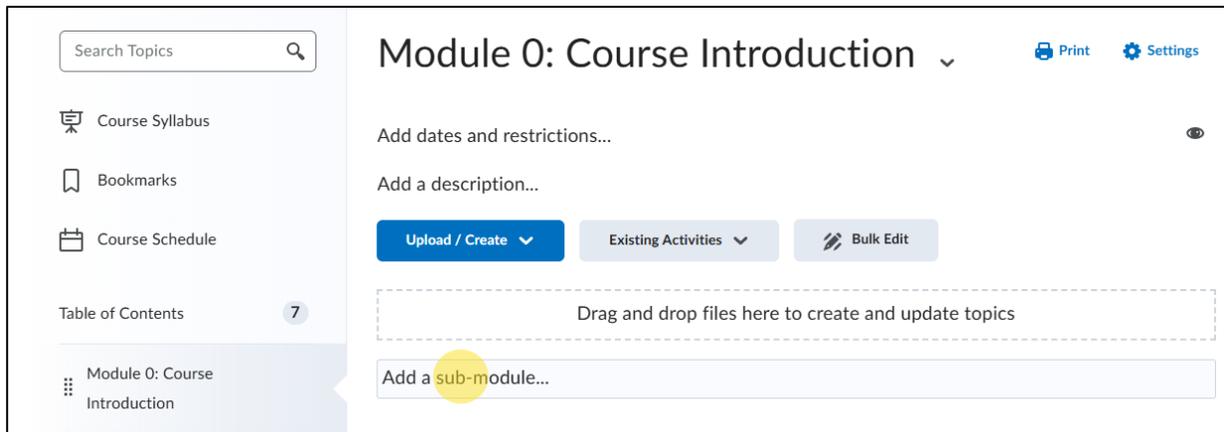


Figure: Under the desired module, click “Add a sub-module...”

3. Enter the module’s title in the input-text box.
4. Press return/enter on the keyboard.

## Hide/Unhide Modules

Modules are set to visible by default. Instructors can hide modules manually, using start/end dates, or adding release conditions.

### Manually

1. Click **Content** in the purple navigation bar.
2. Navigate to the module from the Table of Contents.
3. Click on the eye icon in the top right corner.
4. Toggle to set the module to Hidden.

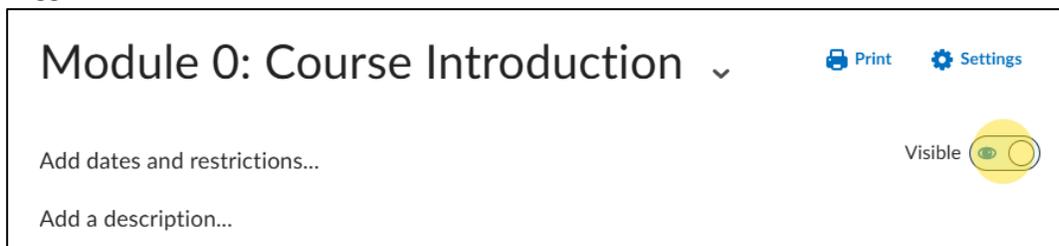


Figure: Click on the eye icon to toggle a module from visible to hidden.

## Add Start/End Dates

1. Click **Content** in the purple navigation bar.
2. Navigate to the module from the Table of Contents.
3. Click “Add dates and restrictions...”

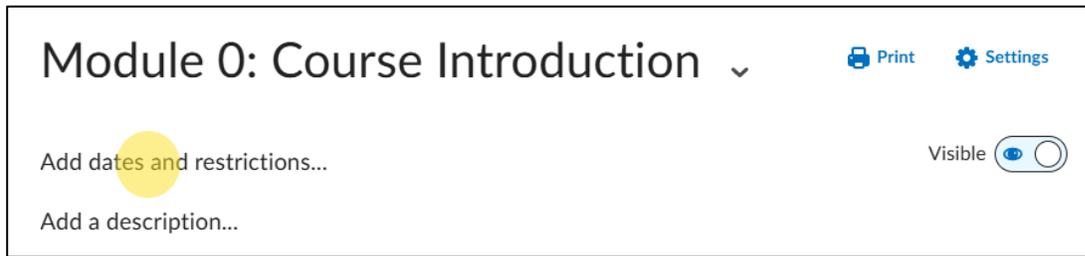


Figure: Under the module title, click “Add dates and restrictions.”

4. Add any necessary start, due, or end dates.
  - **Start Date:** Date students will gain access to the material within the module.
  - **Due Date:** Indicates expected completion time and is displayed on course calendar (See note).
  - **End Date:** Date students will lose access to the material within the module.
5. Click **Update**.

*Note: Due Dates are **not** recommended for entire Content modules because they will appear for students in the Work to Do widget and cannot be removed from the student view.*

It is recommended to add a due date on each topic, not the entire module:

1. Click the down arrow beside a topic link.
2. Select **Edit Properties in Place**
3. Click **Add Dates and Restrictions**
4. Click **Add Due Date**
5. Edit the due date, then click **Update**

## Use Release Conditions

1. Click **Content** in the purple navigation bar.
2. Navigate to the module from the Table of Contents.
3. Click “Add dates and restrictions...”
4. Under Release Conditions, click **Create**.
5. Use the drop-down menu to select the condition type.
6. After the condition type is selected, use the drop-down menu under Condition Details to select the specific condition.
7. Click **Create**.
8. Click **Update**.

*Note: For more information on creating release conditions, please see the guide under [More Tools](#).*