How do I add ALEKS to my Canvas course?

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Assessment and LEarning in Knowledge Spaces (ALEKS) is a Web-based, adaptive assessment and learning system. ALEKS uses adaptive questioning to quickly and accurately determine exactly what a student knows and doesn't know in a course. There are three ways faculty can add ALEKS to their Canvas course: (1) Navigation link, to (2) Modules, and to (3) Assignments.

1. Access your Canvas course
2. In the left navigation, click the Settings link

3. To add ALEKS to your Navigation link, click the Navigation tab

4. By default, the ALEKS link in the navigation is disabled
5. Scroll down the Navigation links and enable ALEKS.

6. Click Save to accept the changes.

7. The link for ALEKS will now be visible to your students in the left Navigation.

8. Faculty will be able to add ALEKS to Modules.
9. Click on the **Modules** link

10. Click +**Module** to add a new module

11. Name the new module, ALEKS Connection and click **Add Module**
12. Click the + icon within the ALEKS Connection module to add a new item

13. Add External Tool item

14. Choose the ALEKS external tool
15. Click **Add Item**

![Add Item to ALEKS Connection](image)

16. Publish both the **ALEKS Connection** module and the **ALEKS** link

![Published ALEKS and ALEKS Connection](image)

The ALEKS link will open in a new window

17. Faculty will be able to add ALEKS to **Assignments**

18. Click on **Assignments** link and create a new **Assignment Group**

![Create Assignment Group](image)

19. Name this new assignment group, **ALEKS Assignments**
20. Within this new assignment group, click the + Assignment button

21. Add information to this new Assignment settings

22. Click More Options
23. Under Submission Type, choose External Tool

24. Click Find to search for External Tool URL
25. **Within the window Configure External Tool, click on the ALEKS URL**

26. An information window will appear. **Click Done**

27. **Click Select**

28. **Scroll down and click Save & Publish button**
The new ALEKS assignment will be available

The ALEKS link will open in a new window

**ALEKS Links**

All three connection methods will allow students to authorize their accounts and have access to the ALEKS course content. Faculty will have the choice in their ALEKS account to automatically synchronize ALEKS scores with the Canvas gradebook or download the gradebook to a Excel spreadsheet. By default, the option to automatically synchronize ALEKS scores with the Canvas gradebook is disabled.

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