

Script for Navigating Landmark Courses

Landmark College online courses are all built around the same navigation structure and format. Becoming familiar with this format will give you a **head start in getting around your courses quickly and easily**. In this video, we will cover the highlights of what you need to know.

Let's start with the Home Page of your course.

When you enter a Landmark College course from the Canvas Dashboard, you will see the course's Home Page which looks like this.

Courses are broken down into Units or Modules which identify the topics being covered. A topic of study can cover several weeks of lessons. For example, in a creative writing course, a topic of study might be **Poetry**. And the poetry unit covers several weeks of lessons.

Each Unit or Topic Module is represented by the large square tiles. Lessons, by week, are further broken down below.

Near the top of the Home Page, you will see a yellow highlight indicating the current week so it's easy to know how far along you are in the course.

Over on the left you'll find links that help you navigate to specific features of the course. These links include:

- Home (the current page)
- Syllabus
- Modules
- Announcements
- Assignments
- Discussions
- Grades
- Conferences (if your instructor has enabled them)
- And Help Me! (a place to go if you're unsure of how to proceed)

Depending on the course, you may find additional navigation links on the navigation menu.

It's important to know that there can be multiple ways to move around the course to get to the content you're looking for.

Most frequently you're going to want to head toward to parts of the course associated with the current Module or the current Week.

Clicking on one of the large square module tiles will bring you to that unit's Introduction page. This page describes the learning objectives of that unit

The Module Introduction Page describes what you can expect as you work through that Module. Your instructor will typically include a short video here to acquaint you with the material.

When you're ready to dive in, the individual weeks of the Module can be found on blue buttons at the bottom of the page.

When you arrive on a week's Objectives page, either from the Module Introduction or from the Home Page, you're likely to see another video from your instructor and a bulleted list describing what we hope to achieve as we work through this week.

The page also provides some guidance on how to navigate.

At the bottom of the page are four distinct blue buttons to help you maneuver around the week's content. You should note that one button, in this case the Objectives button, is greyed out indicating that you're already on that page. Just below that you'll see a Course Timeline giving you a graphic indication of how far along we are in the course.

Finally, at the very bottom of the page are "Previous" and "Next" buttons giving you a way to move through the course materials sequentially.

Following the week's objectives page are the week's Lessons. Clicking the Lessons button brings you to the week's Lessons Page. Here you can find links to the lectures, readings, and media that make up the week's course materials. You'll usually find an ungraded "Practice Quiz" here to get you prepared for the new material. The links are normally presented to you both graphically and textually for your convenience.

Once you get into the Lessons themselves, you can navigate with the "Previous" and "Next" buttons at the bottom of each page. Additionally, many lessons include a "Table of Contents" which allow you to move quickly to a particular section of the lessons. On pages within the lesson you may find a link bringing you back to the Table of Contents.

Following the Lessons are the week's Assignments. Here you will be presented with the tasks that are expected of you in sequential order. You may also find a recap of the videos that were shown in the Lessons.

This Assignments page presents the entire week's work in one place. This may seem a little overwhelming causing you to wonder how you'll get it all done. It's for this reason that we offer a "Suggested Study Schedule" on the right-hand blue navigation button.

Here, we've broken down the week into individual weekdays where you can pace yourself by tackling a reasonable amount of work each day of the week.

Finally, there's are recommended study activities for the weekend to help you regroup and prepare for the content coming up next.

Please refer to the Syllabus and be sure to watch the Canvas tutorial videos which can be found under the Help Me! Link to get a complete overview of the course and the many features of Canvas.