

MOODLE 2.9 Video Transcript: Welcome to the New Moodle!

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Here's a quick tour through the homepage and your profile area of the new Moodle 2.9. You'll notice that all your blocks are now in the left column, and the header has been minimized. This streamlined design allows you to more easily view Moodle on your tablet and mobile devices.

Your login block is now over on the left. Login with the same username and password as always. If you've forgotten your password or wish to update it, you can go to myaccount.trinitydc.edu.

Once you are logged in, you'll notice the "Main Menu" block is now at the top of the left column, with helpful links for you such as frequently asked questions, and a link to the Moodle Help Desk.

Underneath your "Main Menu" block is your "My Courses" block. Available courses, as well as most other links on the site, are now purple instead of orange. Courses that are unavailable to those with a student role are still gray. A good rule of thumb is that if you can see a grayed out course in your "My Courses" block, then you can, most likely, access it, because you have a Teacher or Designer role.

As before, to enter any of your courses, you would simply click on the name of the course in your "My Courses" block.

Once you've logged in, throughout the site, you'll notice that in the upper right corner, you can see your name and profile picture. If you click on either of these (or the arrow to the right), you'll see a drop-down menu.

The first item listed is your "Dashboard"—this replaces the "My Home" section of the previous Moodle. If you click on your "Dashboard," you'll be brought to a page where you can see the courses to which you have access, as well as general navigation, calendar, and upcoming events.

On your "Dashboard," you may see a notice that says you have assignments that need attention. For students, this often means that there's an upcoming due date. For faculty, this could mean that a student has submitted an assignment that needs to be graded.

Also in the drop-down menu, you'll see you have "Profile," "Grades," "Messages," "Preferences," and "Log out."

Under "Profile," you can view your bio, edit your profile including bio and picture, and also see your course details, your last login information, etc. It is the same for a student.

If you are a faculty member, "Grades" will show you which courses you are taking as a student, and which courses you are teaching. As a student, "Grades" will show the courses in which you are receiving a grade, assuming that your faculty member is using the Moodle gradebook. If they are using the Moodle gradebook, the current course total will display under "Grade."

Next, under "Messages," you can search for someone to contact or you can choose from a list of individuals associated with a specific course. Then, when you click on their name, you can send them a message. Finally, in "Preferences," you can adjust the settings to make your Moodle experience unique to you. When you are done you can logout here (in the drop-down menu) or here (at the bottom of the page)!