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# D2L: Managing Content New and Old

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# Agenda

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- Organizing Content
- Differences between the new and old content experiences
- Adding content
- Copying content
- Embedding or linking video.

# Organizing Content



Getting lost within the site is one of the most common causes of frustration for students in online learning.



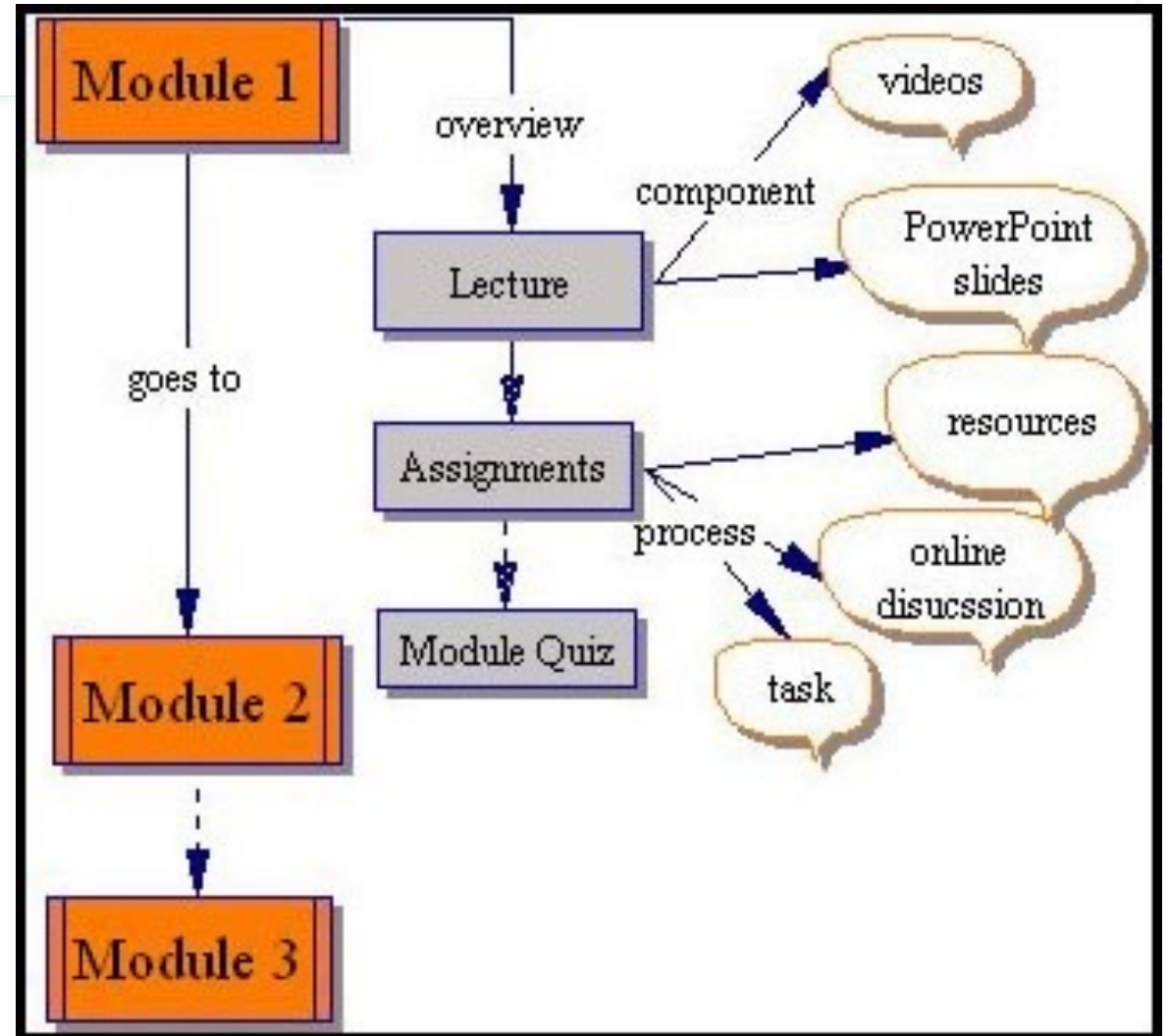
Students can easily feel discouraged if they remain unfamiliar with the organization of your course content and activities.



Make your course structure clear and straightforward.

# Module Based Content Organization

- Organize content in modules, units, or weeks
- Add all related instructional materials, assignments, and assessments in each module.



# Differences



Between the New and Old Content Experiences in D2L

[https://www.eiu.edu/d2lsolutions/htd2l\\_content\\_newexperience.php](https://www.eiu.edu/d2lsolutions/htd2l_content_newexperience.php)


# The New Content Experience


Focuses on clean visual presentation of content for educators and learners with a minimalist design.


[Course Home](#) [Content](#) [Grades](#) [Edit Course](#)

[+ New Unit](#)


▼ Start Here

 OC Di Syllabus


 Request a D2L Course Account



 Participant Responsibility Agreement


▶ Module 1




▶ Module 2



 Visible

[Add](#) 

## Start Here

**Complete the following activities** (linked below):

1. Read the "OC Di Syllabus"
2. Complete the "Request a D2L Course Account"
3. Follow the instructions to complete the "Participant Responsibility Agreement"

Module 1 will be released after the activities for this module have been completed.

It is a simplified experience for organizing content and managing the availability of course materials.

Units are color coded, simplistic design, easily defined.

The screenshot displays a user interface for managing course units. On the left is a vertical sidebar containing a list of units, each with a colored header and a right-pointing arrow icon. The units are: 'Start Here' (green), 'Module 1' (purple), 'Module 2' (teal), 'Module 3' (orange), and 'Module 4' (green). Above the list is a '+ New Unit' button and a gear icon. To the right of the sidebar is a main content area. At the top of this area is a toggle switch with a green checkmark and a grey square, followed by the text 'Visible'. Below this is a large heading 'Start Here'. Under the heading is the text 'Complete the following activities (linked below):' followed by a numbered list: 1. Read the "OCDi Syllabus", 2. Complete the "Request a D2L Course Account", and 3. Follow the instructions to complete the "Participant Responsibility". At the bottom of the main content area is the text 'Module 1 will be released after the activities for this module have been'.

+ New Unit

Start Here

Module 1

Module 2

Module 3

Module 4

Visible

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## Classic

Course Home Content Grades

Search Topics



Bookmarks



Course Schedule

Table of Contents

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[Start Here](#)

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Sample EIU Online  
Courses



Sample Online Course  
Syllabi and other  
documents



Module 1



Module 2



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OCDi Syllabus



PDF document

[Request a D2L Course](#)



Web Page

## New

No Overview, Bookmarks, Course Schedule, or Table of Contents. D2L now refers to the content navigation as the "Table of Contents"



Course Home Content Grades



Start Here



Sample EIU Online Courses



Sample Online Course  
Syllabi and other documents

## Start

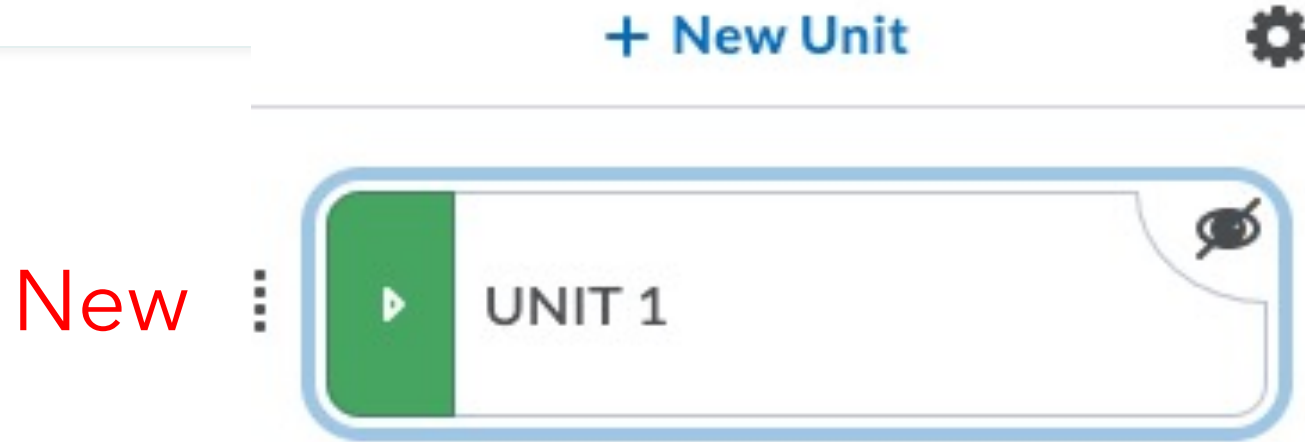
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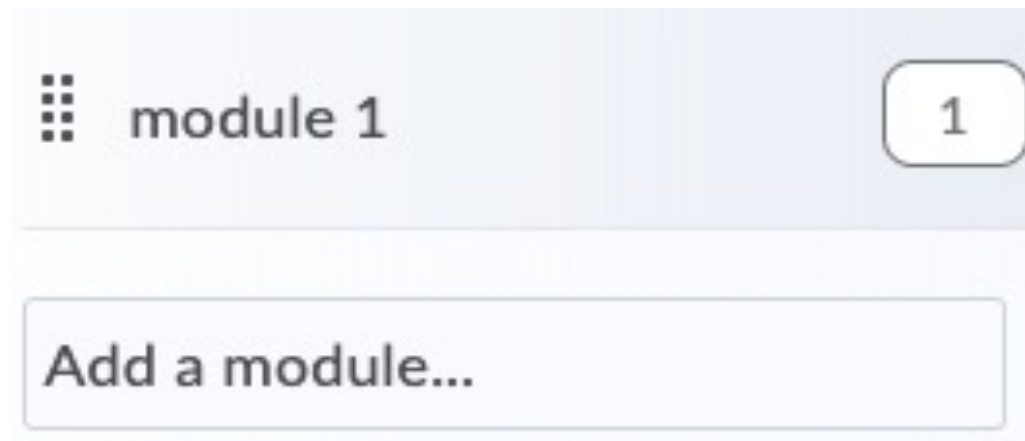
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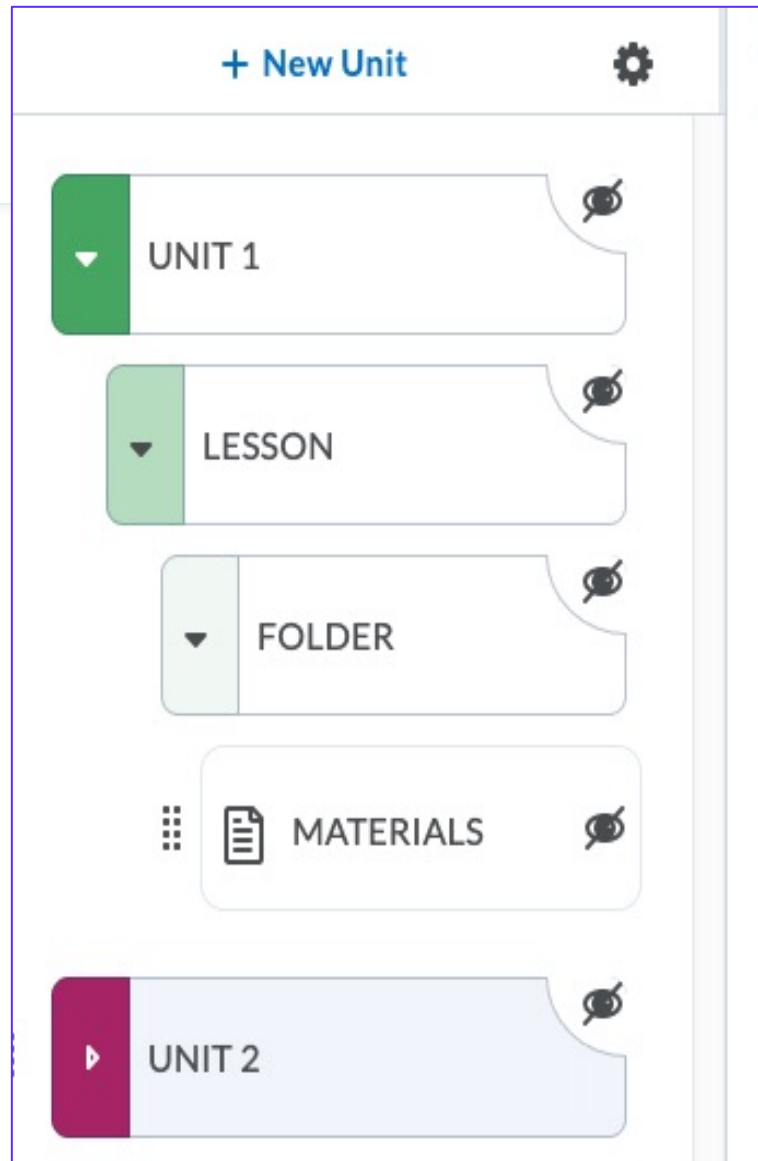
# Terminology: Units vs. Modules



Classic



# Organizational Structure



- **Units** organize content categories. For example, in a course about William Shakespeare's work, units might include: Comedies, Tragedies, and Sonnets.
- **Lessons** organize content in units. For example, in the Tragedies unit, lessons might include: Hamlet and Macbeth.
- **Folders** organize content in lessons. For example, in the Hamlet lesson, folders might include: Lecture Notes and Materials.
- **Materials** are individual course content items. Typically, these are the interactive components of a course. For example, the Materials folder in the Hamlet lesson might include a discussion, assignment, and quiz.

**New:** Links to materials and activities appear in the left navigation below the unit.

Start Here

- OCDi Syllabus
- Request a D2L Course Account
- Participant Responsibility Agreement

Module 1

Module 2

**Classic:** Links to materials and activities appear below the module description.

Search Topics

Bookmarks

Course Schedule

Table of Contents 1

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Sample EIU Online Courses ✓

Sample Online Course Syllabi and other documents ✓

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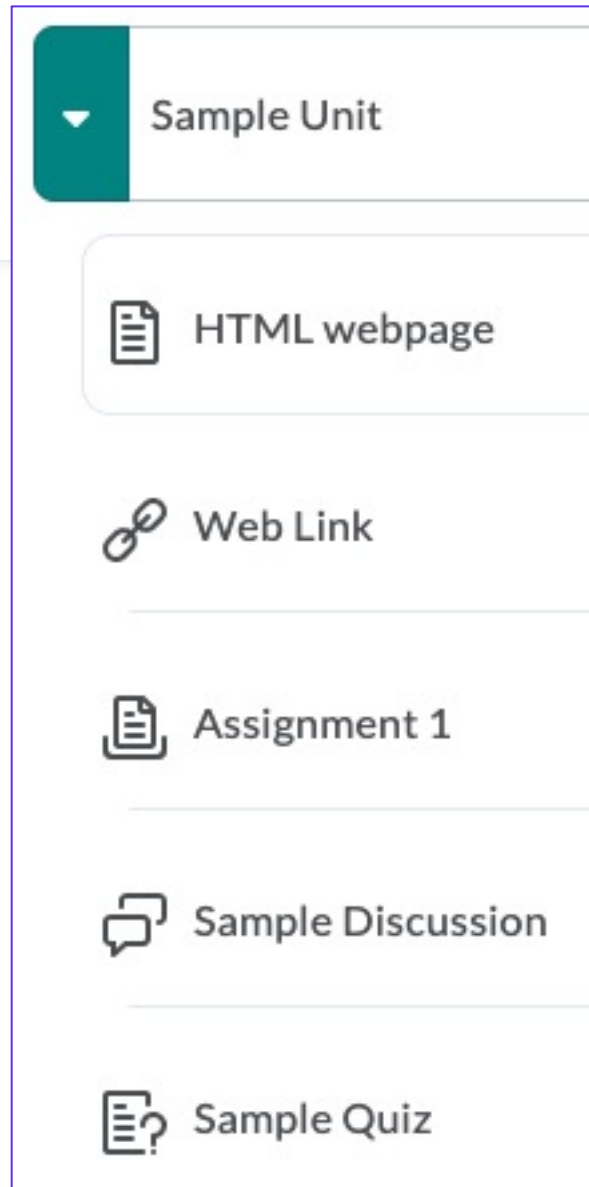
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OCDi Syllabus PDF document

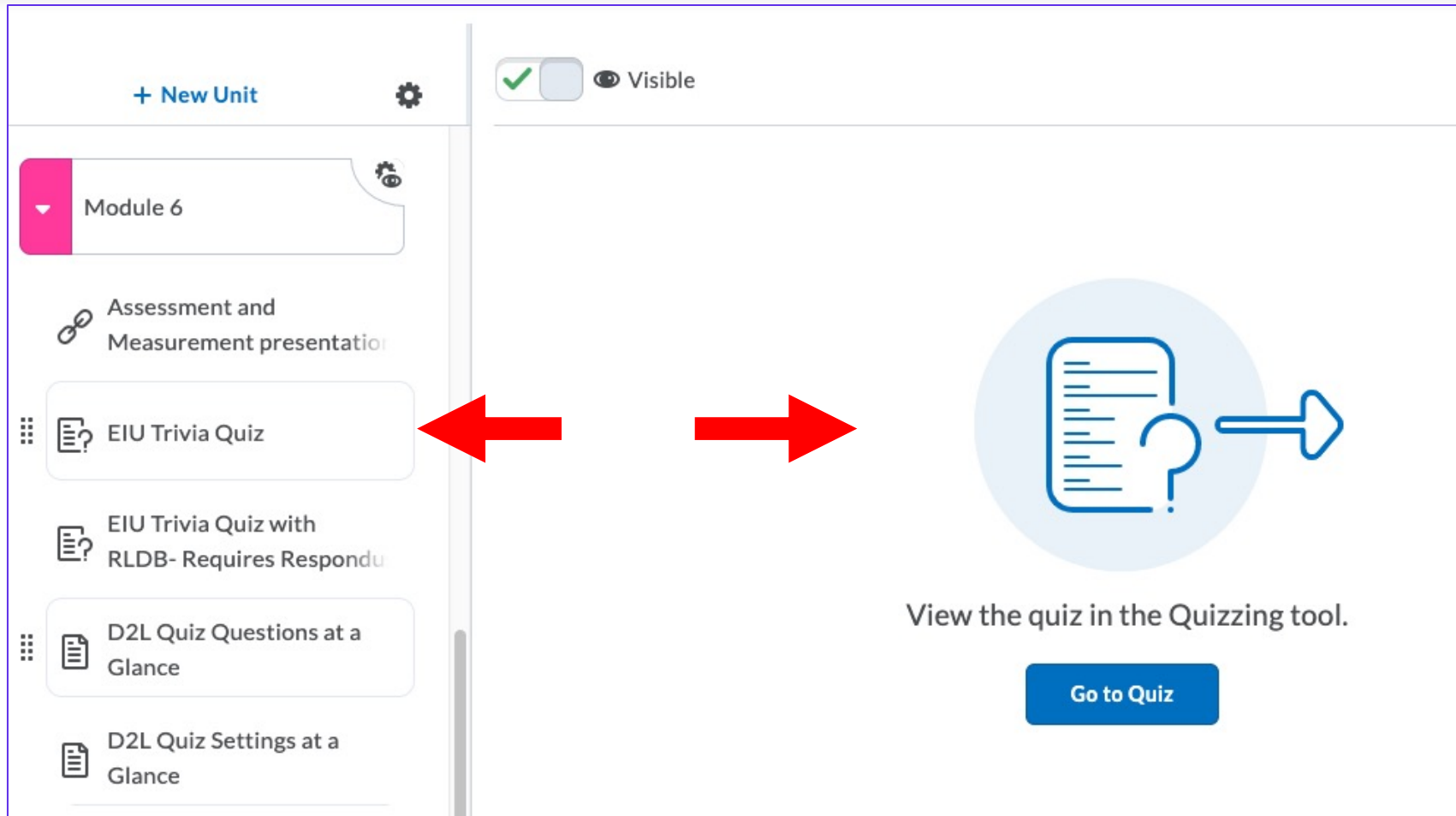
Request a D2L Course Account Web Page



Each material and activity displays a unique icon with the New Content Experience.

# Activities

When an activity is selected in the content navigation, you are prompted in the display area to navigate to that tool



# Document Display

**Classic:** Documents and webpages open in a new window.

**New:** Documents and webpages open in display area of content page.

**Start Here**

**OCDi Syllabus**

Request a D2L Course Account

Participant Responsibility Agreement


**Module 1**


Key Elements of an Online Program article

Course Overview and Introduction presentation

Learner Support presentation

## New

 **EASTERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY™**  
Faculty Development and Innovation Center

  
**OCDi**  
Online Course Development institute  
**SYLLABUS**

Welcome to the OCDi Training Course. OCDi is an acronym for the Online Course Development institute. The OCDi was developed and is delivered by the Faculty Development and Innovation Center at EIU.

**COURSE ACCESS**  
To access the course, login to D2L from <http://www.eiu.edu/d2l> using your EIU Net ID and password. The course title in D2L is "OCDi Training Course FY2017."

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In most cases, I will respond to email messages within 24 hours. I will respond to voicemail messages left on my office phone when I return to my office. To schedule an online or in person

# Availability

The new experience does not yet offer advanced capabilities in setting availability restrictions (start/end dates) on Units.

## Classic

### Add Dates and Restrictions

Start Date      Due Date      End Date

Add start date...   Add due date...   Add end date...

#### Release Conditions

Create

Browse

Update

Cancel

## New

### Hide or Add Release Conditions

Add

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Edit

View Release Conditions

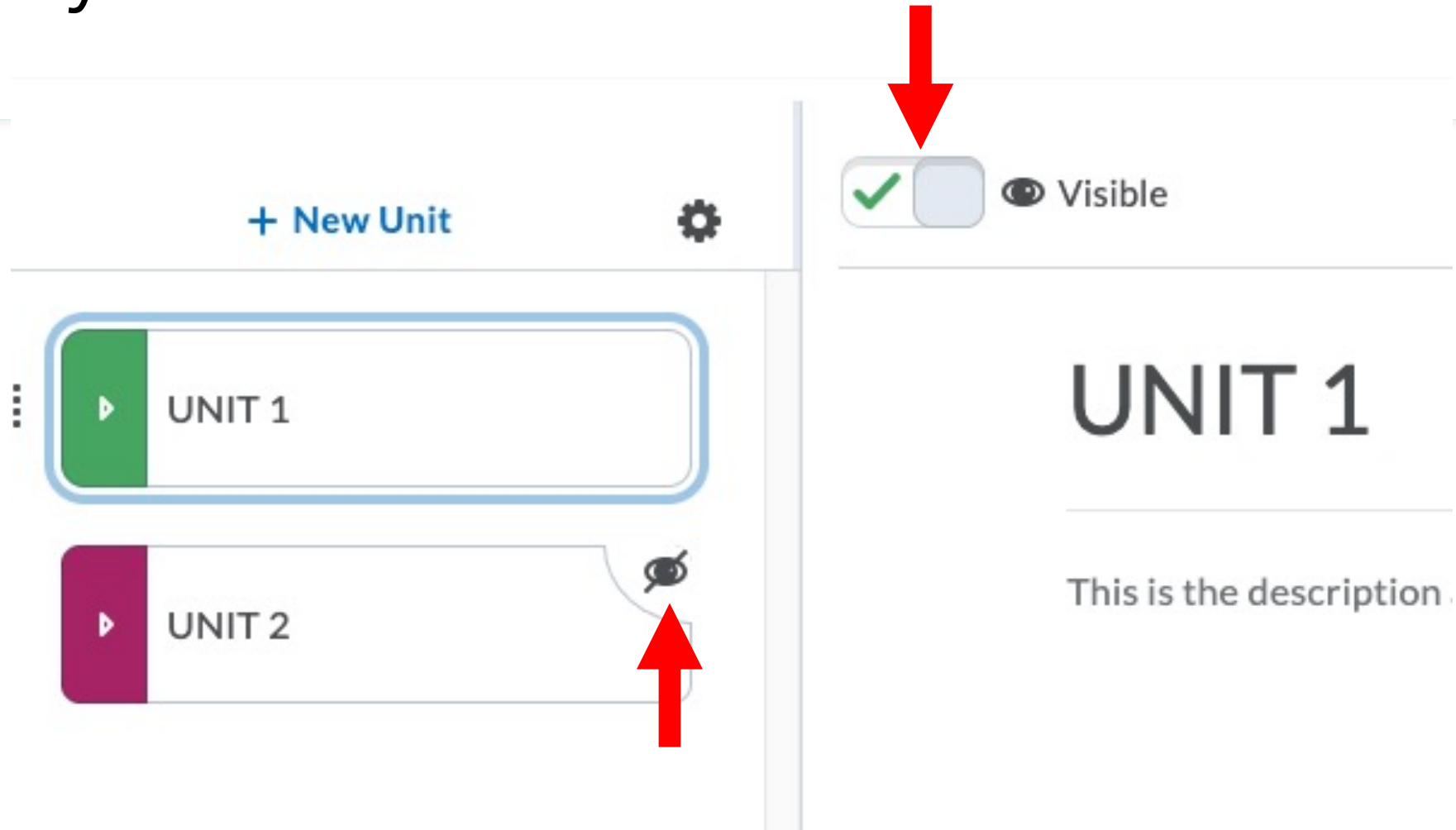
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Reorder

Delete



# Easily Hide or Make Items Visible



# Add a New Unit



New Unit

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Enter a description

**Save** Cancel ☐ Hidden

# The New Content Experience has no visual completion tracking for learners.

Completion tracking in Classic experience.

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<div>Request a D2L Course Account</div> <div><div>Web Page</div></div> <div></div>	✓
<div>Participant Responsibility Agreement</div> <div><div>Quiz</div></div> <div></div>	•

After you have read the OCDi Syllabus, complete the Participant Responsibility Agreement (PRA).  
The PRA is based on information from the OCDi syllabus. You should be able to answer "True" to

# Demonstration



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# Q & A



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What are your questions?

# Support for D2L

- D2L support page: <http://www.eiu.edu/d2lsolutions>
- For technical support,
  - Call 217-581-HELP (4357),
  - email [support@eiu.edu](mailto:support@eiu.edu), or
  - contact the Instructional Support Specialist (ISS) for your department.