

How do I add prerequisites to a module?

When you set a module prerequisite, the module is locked until a student completes the required items in the prerequisite module. However, if the prerequisite module does not have completion [requirements](#), the module will not be locked by adding prerequisites and students will be able to access the module whenever.

When selecting a prerequisite module, you can only choose from previous modules. You may need to [reorder modules](#) to correct prerequisite availability.

Note: You can only add prerequisites if you have added at least one module.

Open Modules

Open Modules

In Course Navigation, click the **Modules** link.

Edit Module

[Edit Module](#)

Locate the name of the module and click the **Options** icon [1]. Select the **Edit** link [2].

Add Prerequisite

Add Prerequisite

Click the **Add Prerequisite** button.

Set Prerequisite

Set Prerequisite

In the module drop-down menu, select the module students must complete before moving on.

Manage Prerequisites

Manage Prerequisites

To add additional prerequisites, click the **Add Prerequisite** button [1]. If you want to ensure students complete modules in order, you should add prerequisites for all modules that come before this module.

To remove a prerequisite, click the **Remove** icon [2].

Save Module

Save Module

Click the **Save** button.

Re-Lock Module

Re-Lock Module

If you change prerequisites that students have already fulfilled, Canvas will ask if you want to let students progress through the course or re-lock the modules and require students to complete the prerequisites again.

To re-lock the modules, click the **Re-Lock Modules** button [1]. To allow students to continue without any changes, click the **Continue** button [2].

View Module

View Module

View your prerequisite(s) in the module header.

[Content retrieved from <https://community.canvaslms.com/t5/Instructor-Guide/How-do-I-add-prerequisites-to-a-module/ta-p/1123>]

Revision #1

Created 2025-05-20 16:55:27 UTC by Brandy Brickey

Updated 2025-05-20 16:57:30 UTC by Brandy Brickey