

How do I create an assignment shell in an assignment group?

Assignment shells are placeholders for Assignments that only include the assignment type, name, due date, and point value. You can choose to save the assignment as an unpublished assignment and [edit the Assignment details](#) later.

Assignment shells can be created in an assignment group in the Assignments index page. New courses include one assignment group by default. If you want to add your assignments to another assignment group, you must [add assignment groups](#) before creating an assignment shell.

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Open Assignments

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

Add Assignment

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In an assignment group header, click the **Add** icon.

Enter Assignment Details

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Set the [assignment type](#) by clicking the **Type** drop-down menu [1]. You can create an assignment, discussion, quiz, external tool assignment, or an assignment that is not graded.

Enter the assignment title in the **Name** field [2].

To select a due date, click the **Calendar** icon in the **Due** field [3], or manually enter a due date.

Enter the number of points for the assignment in the **Points** field [4].

If your institution has enabled a student information system (SIS) integration, you can enable the assignment to sync to the SIS by selecting the **Sync to SIS** checkbox [5].

Add More or Save

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To [add additional details](#), click the **More Options** button [1].

If you want to save the assignment shell and edit the details later, click the **Save** button [2].

View Due Date Error

View Course or Term Date Error

Due dates are verified against course data. If you have set a due date that is not allowed, Canvas displays information about the error.

Correct the date and then save the assignment again.

Note: If the error relates to a course end date, and the course does not include specified course start and end dates, Canvas validates the assignment against the term date for the course.

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