Copyright & BRIGHTSPACE

Copyright rights and responsibilities apply to your use of BRIGHTSPACE. You have the same education users’ rights teaching in BRIGHTSPACE that you have in the physical classroom; and the same responsibilities to use content in a manner that meets the conditions set in NSCC Policies and the Copyright Act.

Copyright

Full copyright protection is the default license attached to works. While facts are not protected by copyright, the expression or representation of facts can be. So be careful, copyright applies to all content you find on the internet (including photographs and visuals) as well as more traditional print and audio-visual sources.

Education Users’ Rights

There are generous education use exceptions in the Canadian Copyright Act. Support for understanding your education users’ rights is available from the Copyright Office and Campus Libraries.

Licensed Library Content

Use licensed, copyright compliant content from the NSCC Library Services suite of resources (streaming video, journals, ebooks, and more) when possible.

Open Educational Resources (OER)

Consider using OER content. OER is content that creators have chosen to share under a Creative Commons Licensing model – indicated by the CC symbol – as opposed to the traditional all rights reserved copyright model. Always check creative commons license conditions for terms of use. The most common requirement is to include attribution and agree to share.

BRIGHTSPACE Copyright Manage Files Folder

A place to track and manage your use of copyright protected content.

- Upload any copies of permission agreements or licences that cover the use of copyright protected content in your BRIGHTSPACE course.
- Consider uploading a copy of the Tracking Resources Loaded into BRIGHTSPACE worksheet.

A helpful tool to aid in keeping track of the copyrighted protected content in your course. The worksheet can be downloaded from: subjectguides.nscc.ca/copyright/forms

BRIGHTSPACE Copyright Responsibility Statement

The Copyright Responsibility Statement reminds you that are responsible for ensuring the content you load into BRIGHTSPACE complies with the Copyright Act. You are required to read the copyright responsibility statement (see next section for the exact text) and agree that you meet the stated conditions. If you are unsure or know you do not meet the conditions, you can opt to contact the Copyright Office to submit a question or request support. This option now links to a submit a question form.

The BRIGHTSPACE Copyright Responsibility Statement [will display at login every 30 days]

This is the text that you will see every 30 days: Developing and maintaining a copyright compliance framework that supports ethical and sustainable copyright practices is a shared responsibility, and it is up to all members of the NSCC community to stay informed about best practices in the use of instructional material.

As the instructor primarily responsible for this BRIGHTSPACE course, you confirm and acknowledge that the content you have uploaded into BRIGHTSPACE meets the following standards:

- Copied content:
  - qualifies for a fair dealing education use exception;
  - meets an education use exception in the Copyright Act; OR
  - has an open copyright licence or there is a permission or licence agreement.
- All materials in this BRIGHTSPACE course have been used and uploaded in a manner consistent with copyright requirements.
- Academic integrity and honesty principles have been followed and all copied content includes attribution.
- I understand that BRIGHTSPACE courses will be randomly chosen for an internal audit and review.
- Results of the audit and review will be used for development of education to assist the College community in managing its copyright obligations.

Web-based Information and Support

Copyright Guide
Practical information about how to use copyright-protected content: subjectguides.nscc.ca/copyright

Library Resources in BRIGHTSPACE Guide
Tips and tricks for embedding library resources. subjectguides.nscc.ca/LibraryResourcesBRIGHTSPACE

For more information contact the Copyright Office: copyright@nscc.ca or your Campus Library.
FAQ on copyright and teaching online: subjectguides.nscc.ca/copyright/BRIGHTSPACE