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Dear Colleagues,

We are celebrating the incredible California Community Colleges faculty who have developed and shared <u>Plug and Play Adoptable Courses</u>—now available in the CCC Canvas Commons Consortium!

Thanks to the creativity, collaboration, and generosity of faculty across our system, these Peer Online Course Review (POCR)-aligned and Open Educational Resource (OER)-based courses are ready for adoption and adaptation by any CCC instructor. With support from the California Community Colleges Chancellor's Office (CCCCO), the California Virtual Campus—Online Network of Educators (CVC@ONE) is proud to make these high-quality, equity-centered course shells available for all colleges.

What Are Plug and Play Courses?

Plug and Play courses are faculty-developed, discipline-based Canvas shells designed to make online teaching easier, faster, and more equitable. Each course reflects CVC@ONE Course Design Rubric standards and POCR best practices, integrates OER materials for student affordability and access, reduces course preparation time for instructors, supports new and part-time faculty with limited prep windows, and allows personalization and local customization while maintaining high-quality design.

Courses Available Now

Aligned with the Common Course Numbering (CCN) initiative, the first set of courses include:

COMM C1000 – Introduction to Public Speaking

ENGL C1000 - Academic Reading and Writing

ENGL C1001 – Critical Thinking and Writing

STAT C1000 - Introduction to Statistics

POLS C1000 – American Government and Politics (in development)

PSYC C1000 – Introduction to Psychology (in development)

To access these courses, faculty should log into their college Canvas account, click Commons on the global navigation menu, and then search for "CVC Plug and Play." Faculty should import their choice into a sandbox or development shell (not a live course), and then they can customize and personalize it to fit their teaching style and college context. If you can't locate the courses, contact your Canvas administrator or email support@cvc.edu for help!

Learn More and Celebrate Together

Join us for the **Plug and Play Faculty Webinar on Thursday, October 23, 2025, at 11:00 AM.** This session will feature faculty presenters sharing insights into the development process and tips for adoption. Faculty in English, Political Science, Psychology, Communication Studies, and Mathematics—as well as department chairs and deans—are especially encouraged to attend.

<u>Register here</u> or on the CVC@ONE website. The webinar will be recorded and shared afterward.

Together, we're building a culture of sharing, innovation, and equity—powered by faculty expertise and commitment to student success. For questions, contact support@cvc.edu.

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