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**To:** [Ruth Hanna](#); [Jeannine Methe](#)  
**Subject:** RE: Is it possible/feasible to test-case one of my classes?  
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Hi Ruth,

You can create a Canvas course at <https://canvas.instructure.com/login/canvas>

You can then import your course from Bb to see what it looks like. In the Control Panel of Bb, click Packages and Utilities – Archive course.

Download the archive to your computer, then once you are in your Canvas course, click Course Setup Checklist, then Import Content. Select Blackboard 6/7/8/9 from the dropdown, browse to your archive, select All Content, then Import.

Scott

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**From:** Ruth Hanna  
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**To:** Scott Vigallon <SVigallon@laspositascollege.edu>; Jeannine Methe <jmethe@clpccd.org>  
**Subject:** Is it possible/feasible to test-case one of my classes?

Hi Scott and Jeannine,

I am such a hands-on learner that demos generally get me interested for a few minutes, and then I just get frustrated because I can't explore things -so I appreciate the demo, but I really need to see what one of my current classes looks like after being imported into Canvas - then I need time to play around with it.

One thing that I found significant from the presentation was when he commented that many instructors find that once they begin working in Canvas that they find that they feel that their classes would be better organized and presented in a different way than what the instructor had developed for Blackboard. Canvas is a different environment (I found it 'busy' and 'controlling', but that was just a first impression) and it will take time for instructors to figure out how to modify or reorganize our courses so that they work best in Canvas. So that even after everything has been transferred and all links and pics and things have been fixed, we'll still need to re-organize and re-configure to adapt to the Canvas environment.

Would it be possible for someone to set me up in Canvas and transfer my current Oceanography Geology 12 course into a Canvas course? Lock-stock&-barrel, so-to-speak. I'd like to see what that looks like. I may not have time to play with it much this semester, but I'd like to have the opportunity available if I do have the time.

Thanks,  
Ruth