

Publishing a Canvas Course

The courses created in Canvas are “unpublished” by default (“unpublished” means the course is not visible to students). Instructors need to click on the **Publish** option to allow students to view the course. All students will be automatically enrolled in your courses prior to the start of the term.

1. Click on “**Courses**”. This will show the courses you are enrolled in.
2. Select the course you want to publish.

The screenshot shows the Canvas LMS interface for a course named "PracticeCourse". The course status is "Unpublished". A red arrow points to the "Publish" button in the "Course Status" section. The interface includes a navigation menu on the left, a main content area with a "THIS COURSE IS UNPUBLISHED" message, and a "Course Status" section on the right.

3. Click on **Publish**.

The screenshot shows the Canvas LMS interface for a course named "PracticeCourse_Langdon_1". The course status is "Published". A green banner at the top indicates "Course was successfully updated.". The interface includes a navigation menu on the left, a main content area with a "No Recent Messages" message, and a "Course Status" section on the right.