

About the Student Orientation for Online Courses

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Students must complete the orientation successfully, with a score of 80% or better, before they are permitted to access their fully online or hybrid courses. Students who have not successfully completed the orientation have a “hold” on their D2L account – the hold is released when the orientation quiz is completed with an 80% or better score.

Students can retake the quiz until they attain a score of 80% or better.

Once your orientation quiz is completed with a score of 80% or better, your certificate appears as an Announcement and the hold is released.



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Overview

What Is the Student Orientation for Online Courses?

- A short online orientation (about 1 hour) that prepares students to understand:
 - What’s different about taking courses online versus in the classroom
 - How to navigate the learning management system
 - How to adjust study habits to promote success in online courses
 - Additional resources at Lone Star that are available when students need help

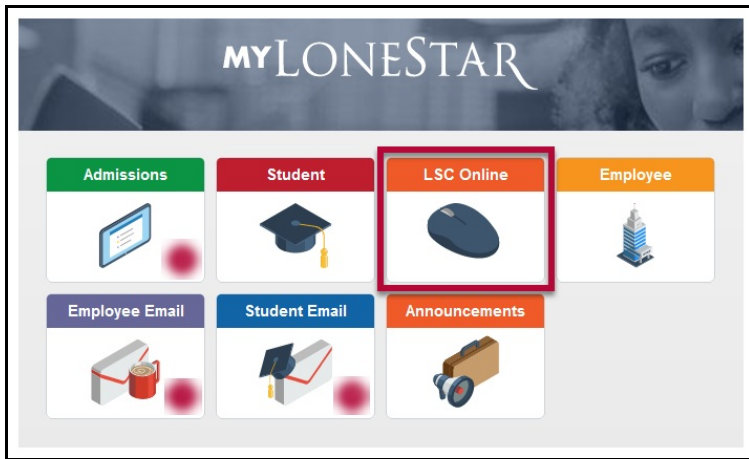
Who Should Complete the Student Orientation for Online Courses?

- All students enrolled in fully online and hybrid courses are required to complete the **Student Orientation for Online Courses** before being able to access their courses in D2L.
- The Student Orientation for Online Courses is designed for quick completion—usually in less than an hour.

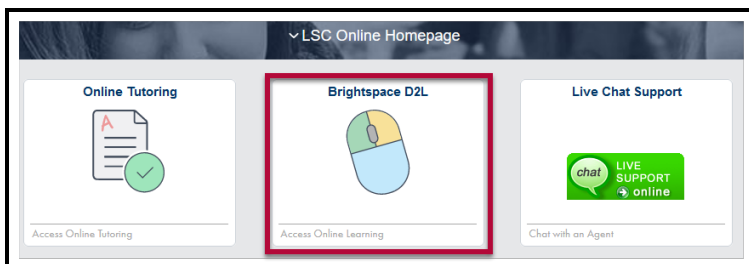
How Does the Student Orientation for Online Courses Work?

To access the **Student Orientation for Online Courses**:

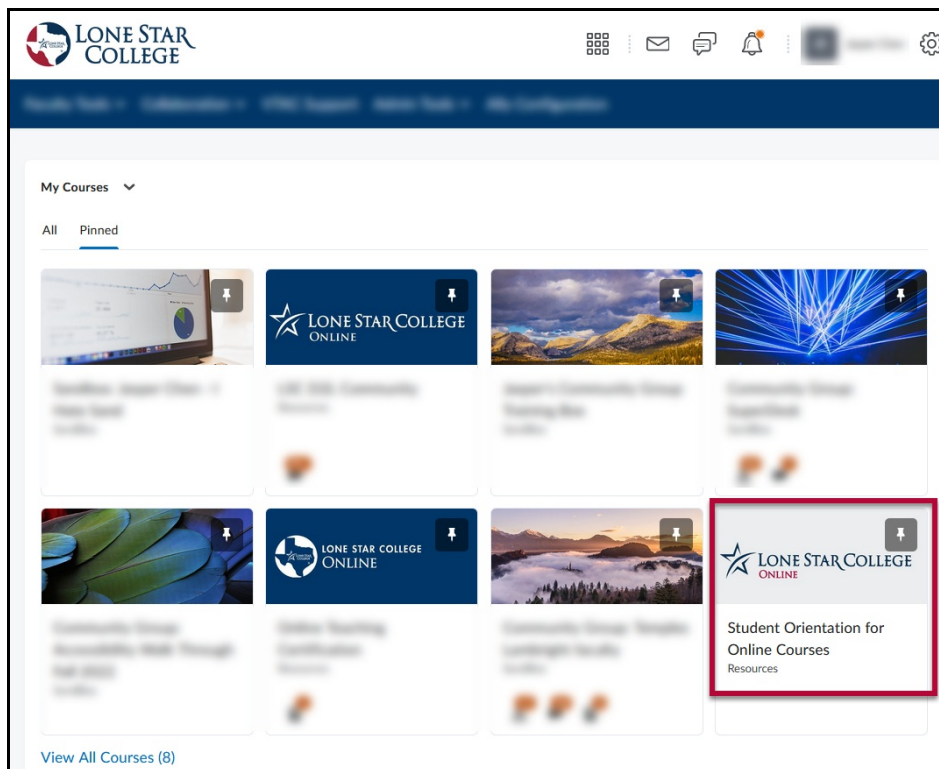
1. Login to [myLoneStar \(https://my.lonestar.edu/\)](https://my.lonestar.edu/) and click on the **[LSC Online]** tile.



2. Click on the **[Brightspace D2L]** tile. The **D2L Homepage** will open in a new tab.



3. You will be on your **D2L Homepage**. On your course list, click on the **[Student Orientation for Online Courses]** tile.



4. On the course homepage, click on **[Content]** and follow the on-screen instructions to begin the Online Student Orientation process.

The screenshot shows the Lone Star College Student Orientation for Online Courses interface. At the top left is the Lone Star College logo. The main header reads "Student Orientation for Online Courses". A navigation bar contains several items: "Course Management", "Content" (highlighted with a red box and a red arrow), "Grades", "Course Activities", "Collaboration", "VTAC Support", and "Ally Course Report". Below the navigation bar, the main heading says "Welcome to Student Orientation for Online Courses". On the left, under "Announcements", there is a message: "Welcome to the Student Orientation for Online Courses!" with a "Welcome!" button below it. Below the button, it says "Click on the Content link in the navigation to begin." On the right, under "Quick Eval", there is a message: "You're all caught up! You have no submissions that need evaluation. Check back later for new submissions." with a "View all activities" button below it.

5. Work through the material in the Student Orientation for Online Courses through the navigation **[Start Here: Orientation]** -> **[Orientation Lesson]**. Take the **[Orientation Quiz]** when you are finished with the lesson.

NOTE: After you successfully score an 80% or higher on the assessment, you will be able to access your courses on or after the course start date. You will **NOT** be able to access your D2L course before the course's start date.

Start Here: Orientation Print

Welcome! Students who are taking any online or hybrid courses are required to complete the Student Orientation for Online Courses. Access to content and course materials is restricted in online and hybrid courses until successful completion of this orientation. Once you complete the orientation, you will not be required to complete it again unless there is a major change to the course delivery system.

To successfully complete the Student Orientation for Online Courses:

1. Review the **Orientation Lesson**.
2. Take the **Orientation Quiz** and earn a passing score.

Once you have received a passing score on the quiz, you should be able to access the content in your online and hybrid courses.

If you experience technical issues, use the Support link in the navbar, or [contact the Service Desk](#) by email, chat, or phone (866-614-5014).

Accessibility (Disability) Statement

Lone Star College recognizes that all students have unique learning styles, in addition to varying backgrounds and abilities. Lone Star College aims to create accessible online learning; meaning an online environment where the greatest number of students can learn, with the least need for adaptations. If you have questions about accessibility issues in this orientation or other online courses, please contact the Disability Services Office where you are receiving your degree. Contact information for Lone Star College Disability Services Office is found on the college's [Accessibility Services and Resources webpage](#) as well as the [Campus Contacts](#) page.

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- 2 [Orientation Lesson](#) Link
- [Lección de Orientación](#) Link
- 3 [Orientation Quiz](#) Quiz

Do I Have to Take the Student Orientation for Online Courses Every Semester?

- No. Students who have completed the orientation will not have to take it again until there is a major change in the course delivery system.

For Technical Assistance Call: 1-866-614-5014