Pressbooks Results Pilot FAQ for Instructors

What is Pressbooks Results?

Pressbooks Results is a game-changer for student engagement and instructor empowerment with Pressbooks-delivered course materials. Pressbooks Results passes student grades from interactive learning activities in Pressbooks directly into your learning management system (LMS) gradebook. It also presents detailed learning analytics about individual responses to both you and your students.

Instructors who have used Pressbooks Results tell us that when interactive activities are graded, students are more motivated to do the reading and engage with the course material. The detailed learning analytics provided by Pressbooks Results give students and teachers more insight into learning and can empower you as an instructor to adjust your teaching strategies or update learning materials to better support student success.

Which interactive learning activities does Pressbooks Results work with?

Pressbooks Results builds on Pressbooks' native integration with H5P, an easy-to-use open-source tool for creating interactive quizzes and other learning activities in your book. There are over 20 H5P activity types that can be automatically graded and that are supported by Pressbooks Results (see the full list of supported H5P activity types). Supported H5P activities range from true-false and multiple choice questions to quiz sets to interactive video quizzes. When students complete these activities, Pressbooks Results automatically sends calculated grades to the LMS and provides you and your students with more detailed information about specific attempts.

What is the Pressbooks Results Winter/Spring pilot?

Pressbooks is conducting a Winter/Spring pilot program for Pressbooks Results between January and May 2024. Participating instructors will be able to use Pressbooks Results during the Winter/Spring term for their in-session courses. The pilot also seeks input from interested stakeholders (faculty, instructional designers, etc.) who are not using Pressbooks Results in their Winter/Spring classes. Our goal is to continue improving Pressbooks Results to give instructors and students what they most want from a teaching and learning tool. We are seeking institutions and instructors to help guide and validate improvements to Pressbooks Results, with a particular emphasis on simplifying the overall user experience and providing instructors and students with actionable insights into learning. Pressbooks Results is typically a paid add-on product with a per student fee, but Winter/Spring pilot participation is free of charge for instructors and institutions.

What should participants expect from the pilot experience?

As a pilot participant, you and your students will be invited to try out a powerful new tool designed to increase student engagement and learning effectiveness, at no cost. You will be a partner in co-designing the future of this solution. We will ask for regular, structured feedback about your desires, needs, and experiences using Pressbooks Results. Pilot instructors will be invited to help us collect voluntary feedback from students about their experiences with Pressbooks Results. You

and your students will have early access to newly built data visualizations and other improvements made during the course of the pilot.

Pilot participants will receive personalized support from Pressbooks staff to help you set up and begin using Pressbooks Results. You will be invited to take part in pilot-related activities such as user experience (UX) research, feedback sessions, online surveys, etc. Participation options will include both asynchronous and synchronous activities, and participants may choose what works best for their schedules. Participation should require no more than a few hours over the course of the term.

How can I participate in the Pressbooks Results pilot?

You can participate as a "Pilot Instructor" trying out Pressbooks Results with students in your Winter/Spring course(s), and/or as a "Pilot Stakeholder" by sharing feedback about Pressbooks Results via using a "demo" course and other user research activities.

Pilot Stakeholders need to bring an interest in assessment, learning data, and improving learning effectiveness using Pressbooks. You will also need internet access to participate in pilot activities.

Pilot Instructors trying out Pressbooks Results with students in your course(s), need to have the following in place:
- A Pressbooks book created on an Enterprise (institutional) Network
- At least 25 gradable H5P activities in the book
- A working LTI configuration connecting the Enterprise Network with your institution's LMS, so that you and your students can engage with your book inside your LMS. If needed, Pressbooks will work with your campus LMS administrator to establish the necessary LTI configuration.

If you're interested in participating either as a Pilot Instructor or as a Pilot Stakeholder, please complete this form to let us know you're interested.

How do I get my book ready for the Pressbooks Results pilot?

For Pilot Instructors, the two most important things you can do to prepare for the pilot are to submit the pilot interest form and to make sure your book includes gradable H5P activities that encourage meaningful learning.

Once you have submitted the pilot interest form, Pressbooks staff will work with your network manager to confirm that your Pressbooks network has a working LTI connection and will activate Pressbooks Results for your book.

Once Pressbooks Results has been activated, Pressbooks staff will provide guidance about how to complete configuration of Pressbooks Results for your book, based on your preferences. You'll be able to select your preferred grading scheme for the book and bring relevant chapters into your LMS course shell as assignments. Your LMS will then allow you to choose the grade point values, display options, due dates, etc.

Where can I find existing content or H5P activities to re-use or adapt?

If you aren't yet using a Pressbooks book with gradable H5P activities, you don't necessarily have to create a book and H5P activities from scratch. You can use the Pressbooks Directory to find existing books on the course subject you teach, and you can also filter for books which already include multiple H5P activities. If you find already existing material that you'd like to use, Pressbooks makes it easy to clone all or import parts of existing, openly licensed books (including their H5P activities) into a new book project. You can also manually download/upload individual H5P activities you've found elsewhere and add them to your own book, where you can modify and adapt them.