

Kudu tools for Coronavirus Preparedness

In response to the pandemic spread of the novel coronavirus COVID-19, a number of universities consider teaching courses online. [Kudu](#) is offering resources to help universities meet the challenge of educating students in these exceptional circumstances.

[Kudu](#) learning materials can easily be adapted for online instruction, and we feel compelled to provide our online textbooks, autograded homework, and polling system **free of charge with full support**. Furthermore, [Kudu staff will help customize Kudu](#) courses to fit the needs of specific classes **free of charge**.

Here are some FAQs about this emergency offer from Kudu. Please contact support@kudu.com if you have any questions or if you want to take advantage of this offer.

What is Kudu?

Kudu is an online education platform that includes a digital textbook, online homework system and in-class polling system (like iClicker's Reef). All content is fully customizable, and there are advanced features such as native LaTeX support and randomizable variables.

Here are a few videos with more details:

- Watch this [video](#) for a quick overview of the Kudu system.
- Learn how to author questions in this [video](#).
- Learn how to use Kudu as a free-of-charge Klicker in this [video](#).
- You can create a free instructor account at [Kudu.com](https://kudu.com) by following the steps in this [video](#)

What is Kudu offering to help a rapid transition to an alternative mode of instruction?

For courses that do NOT already use Kudu as the prescribed textbook:

- **Free access to any of our content** for students including lifetime access to a digital textbook if your subject has an offering on Kudu.
- Kudu staff will import any lecture notes, content and custom homework problems, so that the entire course content can be made available online.
- Importing of any Open Educational Resource (OER) materials into Kudu and providing them to the students on Kudu.
- Kudu will hire trained local consultants to help with this effort at no cost to the university.
- Importing any recorded lecture videos into Kudu.

- Any video format that can be uploaded into YouTube is supported by Kudu including recorded Zoom sessions and Camtasia screen recordings. In addition, videos will be available in Kudu's proprietary player that allows students to give feedback, by means of "I am confused" button that generates a heat map for instructors, helping them identify the areas that need some additional explanations.

For courses that already use Kudu as the prescribed textbook:

- Kudu will offer additional resources such as help with converting and importing recorded lecture videos into Kudu.
- Kudu is looking into remote proctoring options to allow for remote testing. Please note that there may be 3rd party charges for these services but Kudu will not charge any additional fees.

Will Kudu own the copyright on course content and other intellectual property which I import into Kudu?

No. Kudu will not claim ownership of the imported content, even if it is imported at Kudu's expense. The copyright will remain with the author of the content, and Kudu will never use it without permission, written agreement, and appropriate compensation.

What subjects are available in Kudu?

Kudu has full textbook replacements in:

- Physics
- Astronomy
- Chemistry
- Biology
- Political Science
- Economics
- Psychology
- Mathematics

Kudu can easily support any content available on [OpenStax](#) or [LibreTexts](#) and can import content on short notice. Lecture notes are also easily imported into Kudu. Once content is in Kudu it is editable and can be customized further.

How many courses can Kudu support?

We will do our best to support any course that requests help. We will commit significant resources to helping with the transition and will not charge any fees. If Kudu's resources reach their limit, instructors are always free to use Kudu's free platform which will host any of their content for free and provide a full featured online homework system.

What is the catch?

There is none. Kudu was created by academics and has always been committed to doing the right thing. We feel passionate about helping students, and we are concerned that the COVID-19 outbreak will cause a disruption in the students' education. We will do everything in our power to help. We feel we are uniquely positioned to provide effective help because Kudu was designed to allow community contributions and rapid iterations.

How do I contact Kudu to get started?

Email warren@kudu.com or support@kudu.com.