

VitalSource LTI Tool for Blackboard®

The VitalSource LTI tool provides an easy integration with Blackboard, allowing seamless access to VitalSource Bookshelf® and our Analytics tools.

Who Uses it

Campus Blackboard administrators can quickly and easily install the VitalSource LTI tool in order to provide students and faculty with seamless access to VitalSource Bookshelf and our Analytics tools.

How to Install

ACCOUNT-LEVEL CONFIGURATION OF LTI EXTERNAL TOOL

1. Log in to Blackboard and access the **System Admin** page
2. Click on **Building Blocks** and then **LTI Tool Providers**
3. Click **Register Provider Domain**
4. Enter the following provider settings:
 - a. **Provider Domain:** bc.vitalsource.com
 - b. **Provider Domain Status:** Approved
 - c. **Default Configuration:** Set globally
 - d. **Tool Provider Key & Tool Provider Secret:** As provided by VitalSource Customer Success team
 - e. **Send User Data:** Send user data only over SSL
 - f. **User Fields to Send:** We recommend sending all available user fields. If you have questions about how this will affect the faculty and student experience, let your VitalSource Customer Success Manager know.
 - g. **Allow Membership Service Access:** Yes
5. Select **Submit**

* Indicates a required field.

PROVIDER DOMAIN STATUS

Set the status of the provider domain. You can also provide a list of additional hostnames to share this configuration if needed.

* Provider Domain

Provider Domain Status Approved Excluded

Secondary Hostnames

Enter one hostname per line.

DEFAULT CONFIGURATION

LTI Tool Providers can request configuration per link, or can provide key and shared secret information for site-wide configuration.

Default Configuration Set separately for each link Set globally

* Tool Provider Key

* Tool Provider Secret

Tool Provider Custom Parameters

Enter any custom parameters required by the tool provider. Parameters must each be on their own line and be entered in "name=value" format.

ORGANIZATION POLICIES

Choose whether you want to override the organization policies for this specific tool provider domain.

Send User Data Never Send user data only over SSL Send user data over any connection

User Fields to Send Constituency in Course Name Email Address

Allow Membership Service Access Yes No

Click **Submit** to proceed.

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MANAGING LINK PLACEMENT

Once the LTI External Tool is installed, a web link will need to be added at the course level.

Steps for Adding a Link to a Course

1. Within a course in Blackboard, navigate to the **Content tab**
2. Click **Build Content** and then **Web Link**
3. Enter the following settings for the **Web Link**:
 - a. **Name:** Enter a name that will make sense for your campus (Recommended: VitalSource Digital Materials)
 - b. **URL:**
 - I. Multi-course dashboard: <https://bc.vitalsource.com/materials>
 - II. Single-course dashboard: <https://bc.vitalsource.com/books>
 - c. Check the box labeled **This link is to a Tool Provider**
 - d. Click **Submit**

Create Web Link

A Web Link is a shortcut to a Web resource. Add a Web Link to a Content Area to provide a quick access point to relevant materials. [More Help](#)

* Indicates a required field.

WEB LINK INFORMATION

* Name	<input type="text" value="VitalSource Digital Materials"/>
* URL	<input type="text" value="https://bc.vitalsource.com/materials"/> <small>For example, http://www.myschool.edu/</small>
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> This link is to a Tool Provider. What's a Tool Provider?	
Enable Evaluation	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No

Training and Support

Your Customer Success Manager will provide you with details about Bookshelf training as well as support materials for the VitalSource LTI tool and VitalSource Bookshelf.