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Creating Engaging Content - Videos





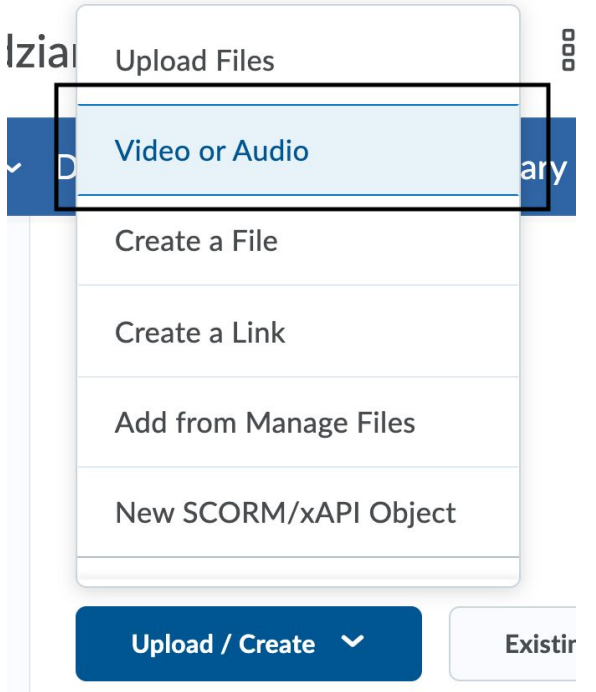
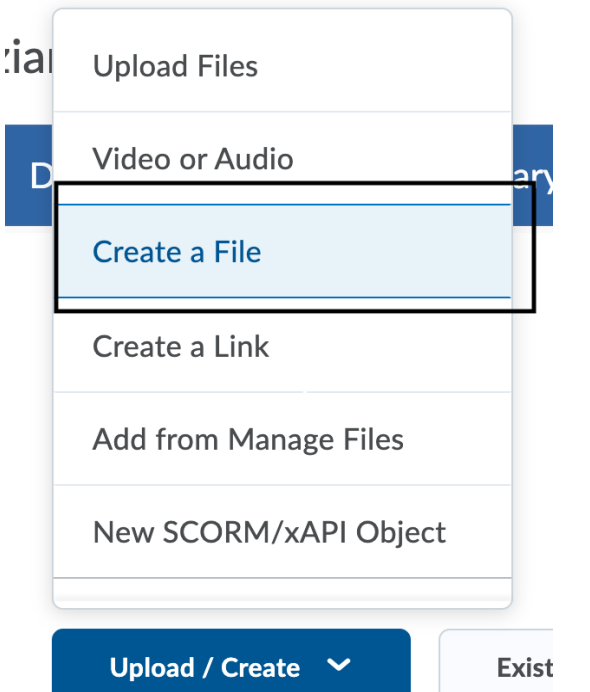
Using Videos in Brightspace

Videos can be really impactful and useful while teaching. There are many types of videos such as: instructional, interviews, showcases or step by step manuals. You can source videos from Youtube or Vimeo or use your own video file (mp4s .mov, .avi, .wmv) or record it within the VLE.

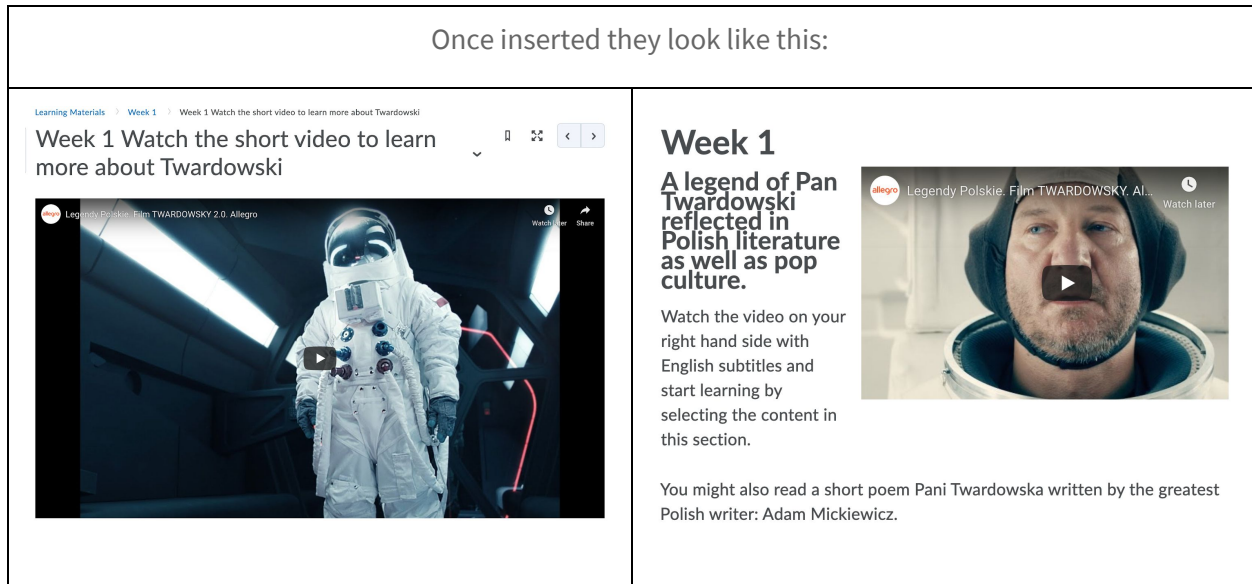
This manual will show you how to use videos effectively within Brightspace when designing your learning materials. Below you will find steps how to use Brightspace functionalities and a link to a video showing you how to bring videos to your module. This manual is divided into two sections: [Inserting video from the available templates](#) (mp4 or YouTube) and [recording a video \(Video Note\)](#).

Inserting Videos (Youtube or mp4s).

There are two options to add videos within My Learning Space (below) that differ from what the students experience:

Upload/Create: Video or Audio  Video	Upload/Create: Create a File  Web Page
 <p>The screenshot shows a dropdown menu with the following options: Upload Files, Video or Audio (highlighted with a black box), Create a File, Create a Link, Add from Manage Files, and New SCORM/xAPI Object. Below the menu is a blue 'Upload / Create' button with a dropdown arrow and a grey 'Existir' button.</p>	 <p>The screenshot shows a dropdown menu with the following options: Upload Files, Video or Audio, Create a File (highlighted with a black box), Create a Link, Add from Manage Files, and New SCORM/xAPI Object. Below the menu is a blue 'Upload / Create' button with a dropdown arrow and a grey 'Exist' button.</p>
<p>Features:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Quick way to add a video from My Learning SpaceYou can only use the title for instructionsFills in the full screenMobile responsive	<p>Features:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">● Gives more possibilities for adding instructions/activities<ul style="list-style-type: none">Size of the video can be adjusted and suited to needsMobile responsive

Once inserted they look like this:



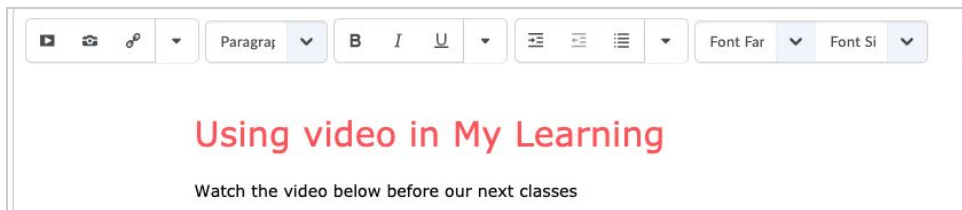
In this document we will look at the way we add videos from **Creating a File**

Step 1

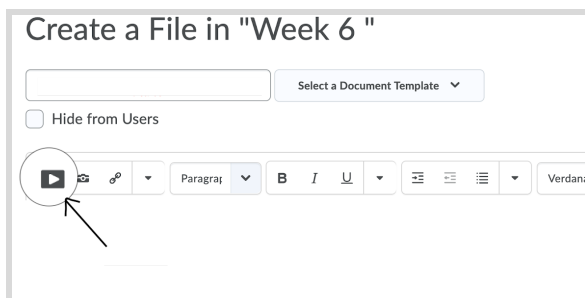
Start with My Learning and Selecting **Create a File** from Upload/Create (as shown above)

Step 2

Add a title to your file - a title should be mapped to the theme or weekly breakdown within the module. You can also here give instructions in the text box:



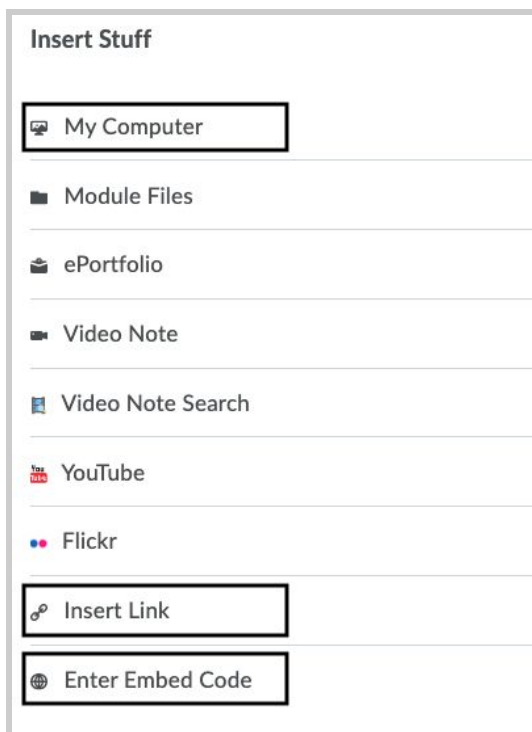
Once ready with instructions select : Insert Stuff icon 



Step 3

You will then have options to integrate videos and other content. If you would like to insert a mp4 video from your computer, select here **My Computer** (with your video you can define its size after uploading).

You Tube -Here you will find YouTube logo and a possibility to insert straight from YouTube, and it will search YT for your video. It is a quick way but it will only find the videos available publically i.e. if you have a specific video, unlisted it would be recommended to use Insert Link or Enter Embed Code



Insert link - a quick solution for bringing in videos

Enter Embed Code - you can adjust the size of the video and manage some other settings e.g. starting time of the video

Step 4 Insert Link or Enter Embed Code

Insert Link	Enter Embed Code
1. Select Insert Link which will open a pop up screen (below)	1. Select Enter Embed Code and a pop up screen will open (below)

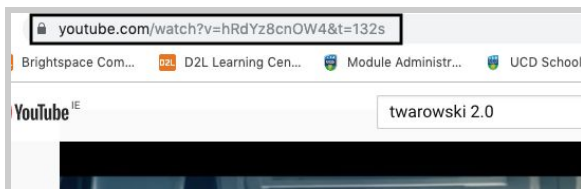
Insert Stuff

Insert Link

Enter a link to an object from anywhere on the web.

URL

2. Open a new tab/window with YouTube and copy the URL from it (top of the screen)



3. Copy the link and paste to Brightspace pop up, selecting Insert. You will see a preview of the video here with predefined size of it (500x281).

Insert Stuff

Insert Link

Properties

Source

<https://youtu.be/hRdYz8cnOW4?t=139>

Link Text

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Width

500

Height

281

Insert

Back

Cancel

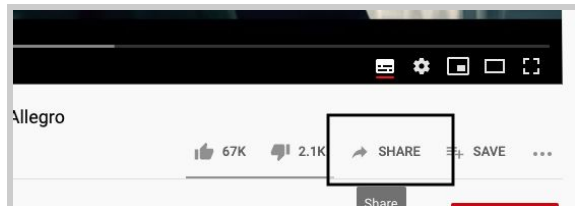
Insert Stuff

Enter Embed Code

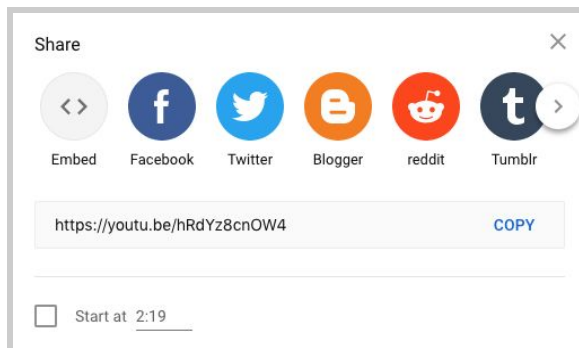
Enter the embed code for an object from anywhere on the web.

Embed Code

2. Open a new tab/window with YouTube and find the video you would like to bring to Brightspace.
3. Underneath the video select **Share**



4. Then once sharing options show select **Embed**



5. Then here you can copy the embedding code and bring to Brightspace. You can go through the embedding options

```
<iframe width="560" height="315"
src="https://www.youtube.com/embed/hR
dYz8cnOW4" frameborder="0"
allow="accelerometer; autoplay;
encrypted-media; gyroscope; picture-
in-picture" allowfullscreen></iframe>
```

Start at 2:19

EMBED OPTIONS

Show player controls.

Enable privacy-enhanced mode. ⓘ

COPY

It would be recommended to leave the tick for Player Controls here.

- Once copied, paste the code to Brightspace

Insert Stuff

Enter Embed Code

Enter the embed code for an object from anywhere on the web.

Embed Code

```
<iframe width="560" height="315" src="https://www.youtube.com/embed/hRdYz8cnOW4"
frameborder="0" allow="accelerometer; autoplay; encrypted-media; gyroscope; picture-in-
picture" allowfullscreen></iframe>
```

Here you can edit also the size of your video.

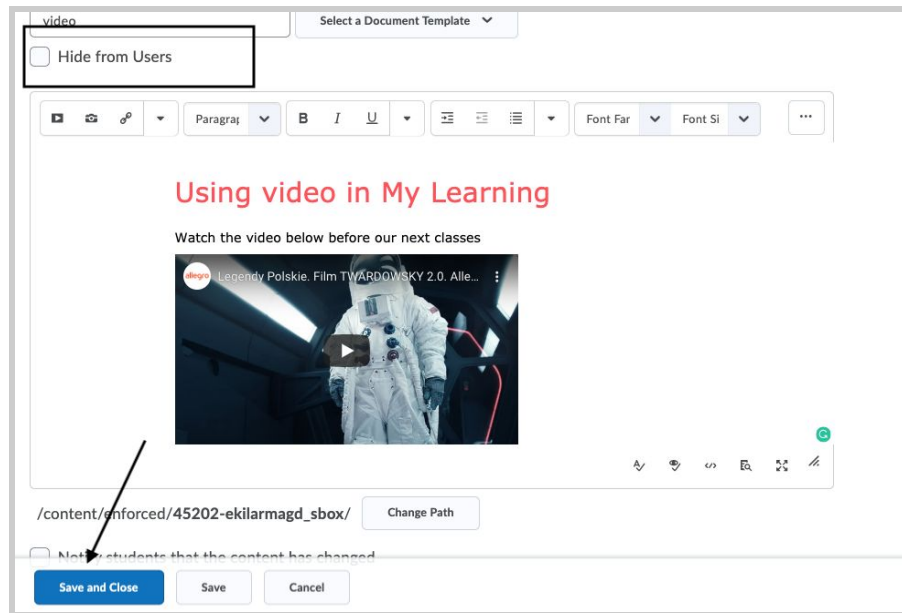
Look at the code and find numbers referring to height and width.

```
<iframe width="560" height="315"
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Here you can change the size by deleting the current ones and then inserting new numbers. When adjusting the size of the video, change both sizes so that the video does not look skewed.

Step 5

Once you finish with the above, save the video, considering if it should be visible to students.

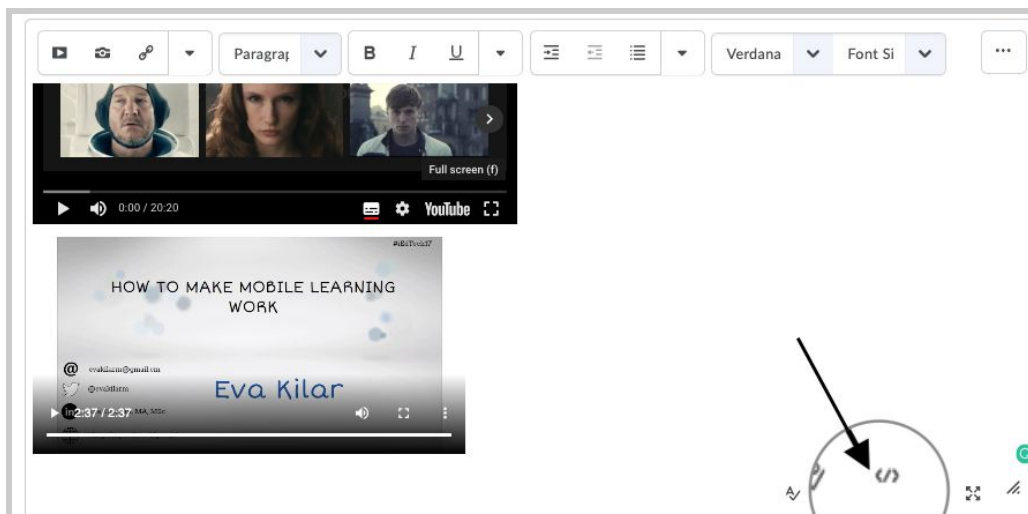


The screenshot shows a video player interface within a learning management system. At the top left, there is a tab labeled "video" and a "Select a Document Template" dropdown menu. Below this is a checkbox labeled "Hide from Users" which is currently unchecked. A rich text editor toolbar is visible, containing icons for play, camera, link, paragraph, bold, italic, underline, list, font face, and font size. The main content area displays the title "Using video in My Learning" in red, followed by the instruction "Watch the video below before our next classes". A video player is embedded, showing a scene from the movie "Twardowski" with a man in a white spacesuit. Below the video player, there is a path field containing "/content/enforced/45202-ekilarmagd_sbox/" and a "Change Path" button. At the bottom, there is a checkbox labeled "Notify students that the content has changed" which is unchecked. Three buttons are located at the bottom: "Save and Close" (highlighted in blue), "Save", and "Cancel".

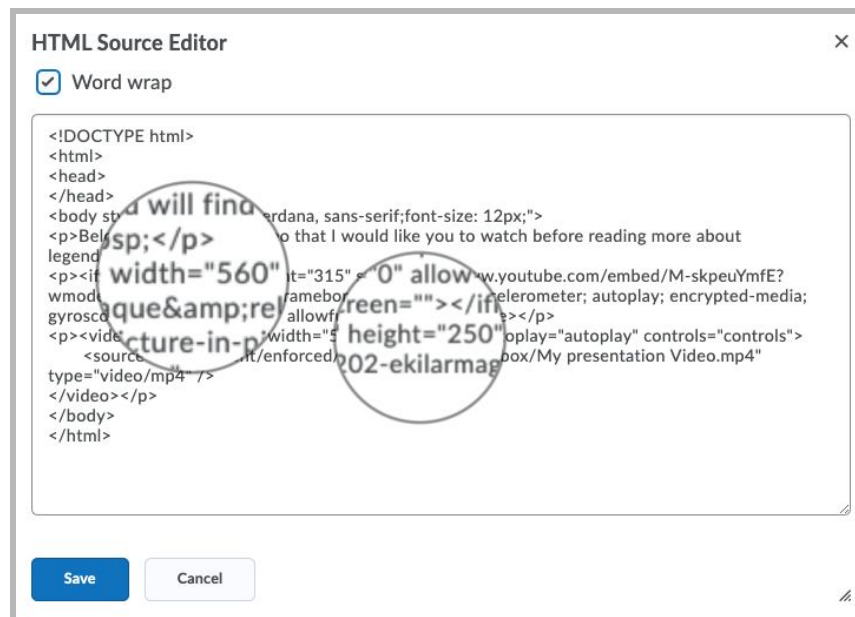


How to change the size of the video once it is inserted?

Once you insert a video from Youtube/Vimeo or your own video you can edit its size (select Edit HTML from My Learning). Select two brackets </> at the bottom of the text editor




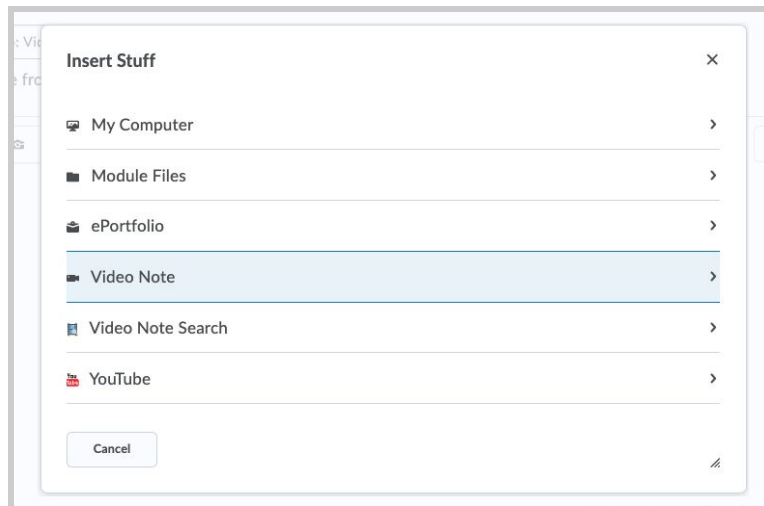
This will open the HTML editor - search in for width and height of the video(s) you need to change and simply type in the new sizes and Save



Inserting a Video Note

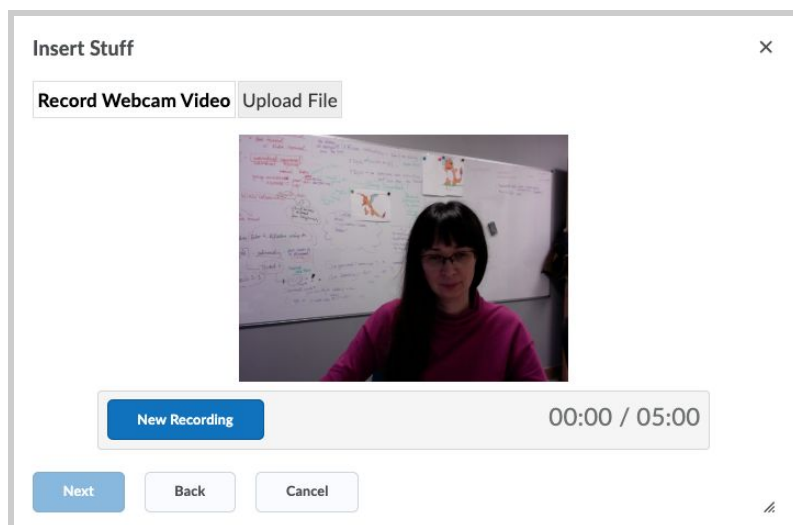
Step 1

Select Upload/Create and select **Create a File** - and select **Insert Stuff**  and select **Video Note**



Step 2

This action will open a new pop up with your webcam visible (below). Simply start the recording and finish whenever you need to.



Note: When working of Mac devices you might experience some issues with the Video Note in Safari and Chrome, use Firefox if necessary.

Step 3

Then you will be asked to provide your Video Note description which will enable all students, regardless of the visual abilities, to know what is the video about.

Insert Stuff

Video Note

Enter a video note description. A description is useful to users who are unable to view the video. You may also modify the title of the recording.

Title:

Description:

Step 4

You can now preview your video before saving and sharing with students. It takes few seconds to process, so if you see the notification like this one below please give it some time.

Insert Stuff

Video Note

Properties

[Refresh Preview](#)

Media file is currently being transformed. You may view this by refreshing in a bit, or you can insert the file and view it later.

