Course Formats in AsULearn Sites

Choose a format to determine how sections or topic blocks will behave on your course page. The **Topics format** is the default and is highly recommended. If you are familiar with earlier versions of AsULearn, you'll find that the Topics format in AsULearn 4 now combines the best features of Topics and Collapsed Topics.

Step-by-step guide

1. From your course homepage, select **Settings** from the Course Menu along the top.

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2. On the Settings page, Click on the **Course format** section to open the options.

⌄ Course format

Format	❓			Kickstart format

Format ❓ ✓ Topics format

Weekly format

Hidden sections ❓ Hidden sections are completely invisible ⬍

Course layout ❓ Show all sections on one page ⬍

3. Using the **Format** dropdown menu, select the desired format for your course.

Kickstart format: Allows you to select a template with ready-made content to get you started. The template is additive and will not replace content that you currently have in place.

Topics: Allows individual users to expand/collapse individual and all/none course Topics. This format avoids the need to scroll down a very long page to access the bottom sections of a course, and is very helpful on mobile devices.

Expand all:

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Collapse all:

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Weekly Format: Organizes course topics by **calendar week**, with a clear start and finish date. AsULearn creates and labels the topic for each week of your course based on the course Start date. The week labels are *not editable*, so this format can prove difficult if your course schedule requires altering in the heat of the semester.

4. Click the **Save and Display** button at the bottom of the page to retain any updates.

> ⓘ *Why are there fewer course formats to choose from now than in the past?* Great question! Our team works with the LMS Advisory Group to regularly review student survey data, and a common theme has been **difficulty navigating courses organized in different formats**. After testing and careful consideration, we've settled on the most adaptive, mobile-friendly, and accessible course formats. We hope that moving forward, our students will benefit from more overall consistency among courses in our LMS.

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