

Google File Embed

The **Google File Embed** activity places a link to a native Google Suite file - **Document, Sheet, or Presentation** - from the instructor's Drive directly into your AsULearn course, and provides students with **view-only** access to the file. Basically, it is a way for the instructor to avoid posting a share link to a file that is still private, and getting all those *Request access* emails. It will change the permission on the file to *Anyone with the link can view*, so be aware and use accordingly. **Note:** You must have the permissions to change file permissions and share the file **if you are not the file's owner**.



- For best results, use Google Chrome. This is an LTI tool authored by Google, like [Google Assignments](#).
- To create multiple Google File Embeds, each must be created separately. **You should not duplicate the activity** with the option in AsULearn.

Adding a Google File Embed

1. Navigate to your AsULearn course, enable **Edit mode**, and select **+Add activity or resource** in the topic where you wish to embed the Drive file.
2. Select **External Tool** from the Activity Chooser
3. In the **Preconfigured tool** menu, choose **Google File Embed**

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Select content

4. Before naming the activity, click **Select Content**. This is where you will select the file. Your **@appstate.edu Google account** will appear because you are logged in.

Select content



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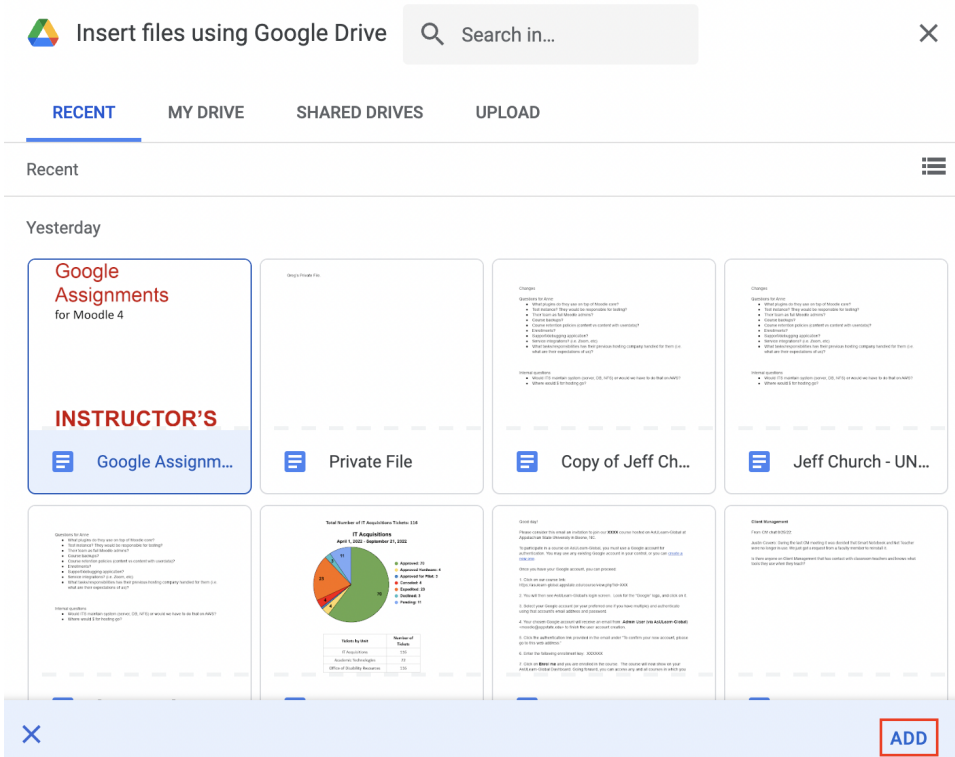
Post course materials

Select a file from your Google Drive

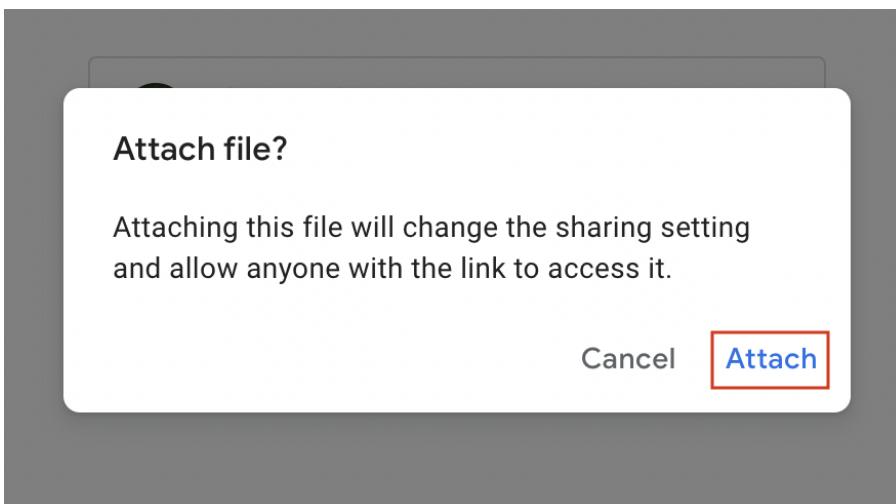
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5. Click **Select file** and search for the file in your Drive. You can select from icon or list view as you wish. Once found, click on the file, and click **Add**.



6. Google will remind you that it is about to change the share permission on that file to **Anyone with the link can view**.



7. Click **Attach** and you'll be returned to the Tool setup screen in your course. The **Activity name** is filled in with the name of the resource you just embedded. This is editable, but beware of creating confusion by changing the name of the shared file. Do not touch the Tool URL as it is filled in by the LTI, and any change will break the activity. Click **Save and return to course**.

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Tool URL



<https://assignments.google.com/lti/e/901093ahd-737-h788w2-97hbd6r33>

✓ Using tool configuration: Google File Embed

> Privacy

> Common module settings

> Restrict access

> Tags

☐ Send content change notification



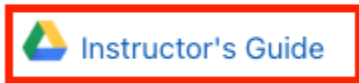
Save and return to course

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8. The file is added to your course with the Google File Embed icon, and your students will have **view access** to it.

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