

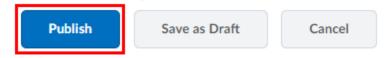
# Post a News Item

The News widget on a course home page is provided so faculty can publish course announcements. It is recommended that all courses have the following items at the beginning of the semester: (1) A news item with the course title and name of the instructor, (2) a course description, and (3) an explanation about how to get started. If you are teaching a course from a Master Copy, these items will most likely already be in the course that you copy.

In addition, you will want to post class announcements throughout the semester as the need arises.

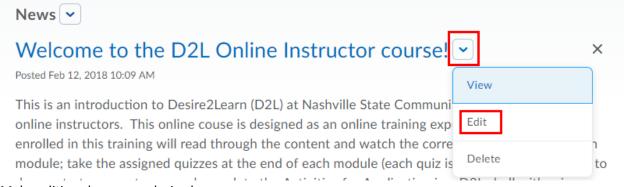
## To publish a News item

- 1. Enter the course by clicking on the title of the course.
- 2. Locate the News widget.
- 3. Click the "Create a news item" link. This will direct you to the "New Item" page.
- 4. Type the headline.
- 5. Add content.
- 6. Set start and end dates as desired.
- 7. Attach a file or record audio (1 min. or less) if desired.
- 8. Click on Publish to release the news item or Save as Draft to publish it later:



#### To edit a News item

1. Click the action arrow for the specific news item you wish to edit, click on Edit.

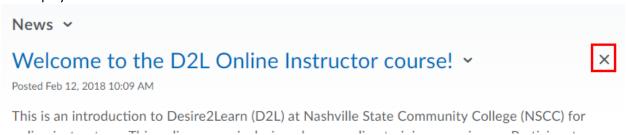


- 2. Make editing changes as desired.
- 3. Determine whether this is a major edit, which means you want to send another copy to students who have RSS feeds or Notifications set so they will be notified when the updated item is displayed:
  - Major edit send a notification and restore it for those who dismissed it
- 4. Click on Update.



### To dismiss a News item

• Click the "X" to the right of the News item. This does not delete the item, it only removes it from the display:



# To restore a News Item

Click the action arrow next to the News item's title on the News page, select "Restore":

