

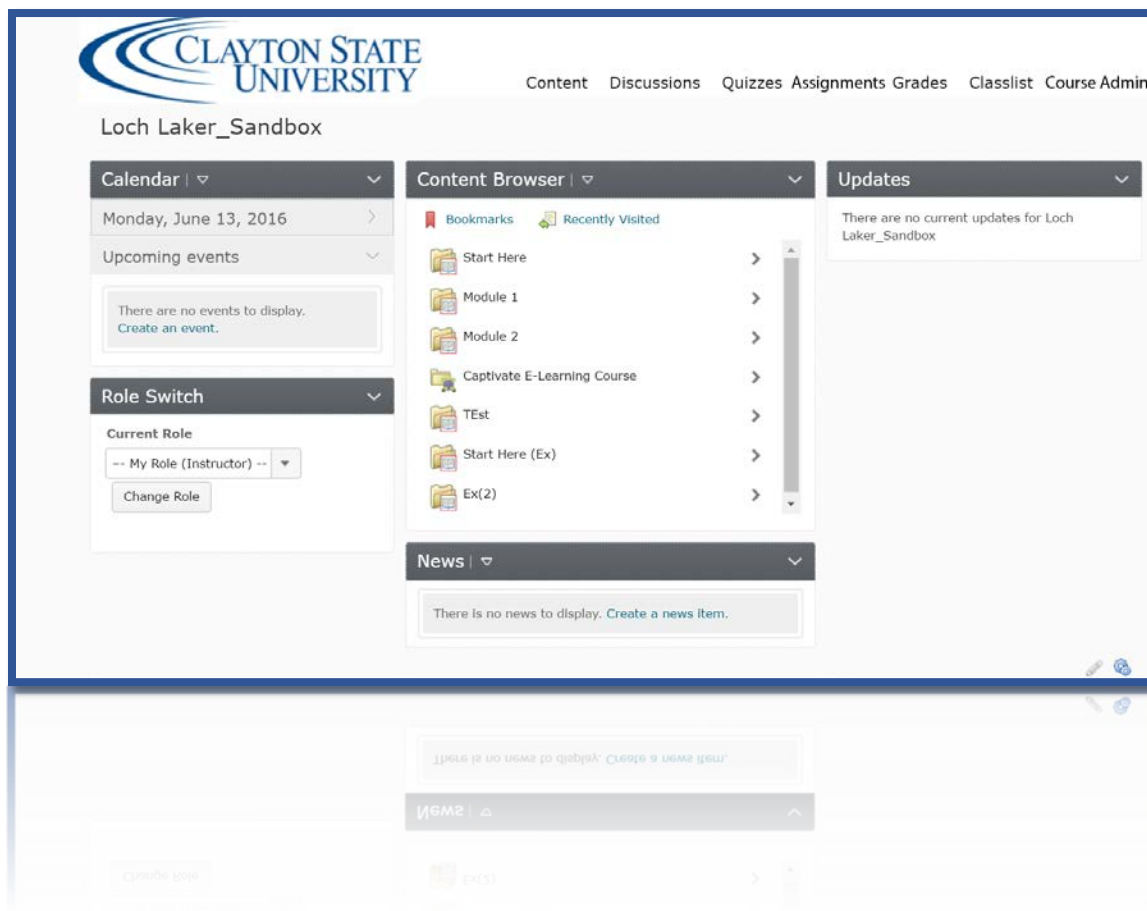
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Changing the Homepage Layout



How to change the homepage layout

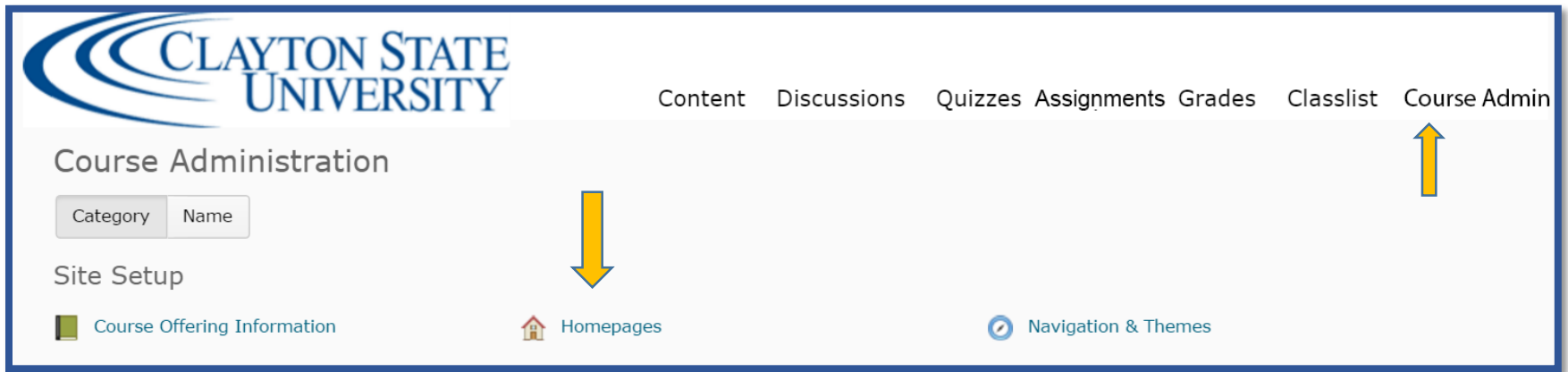
By Default, the layout for the homepage contains these widgets: Calendar, Content, Updates, News, and Role Switch. Students will see only Calendar, Content, Updates, and News. The homepage can be rearranged moving the current widgets and add others. Note: The News widget will increase in size throughout the semester, so it's a good idea to place it where it can expand easily and not push other important widgets to the bottom of the screen.



The Default homepage can be changed, but ALWAYS MAKE A COPY of the homepage that will be used and then edit the copy. The original will be available if the need arises.

Step 1: Click Course Admin in the top right corner of the NavBar.

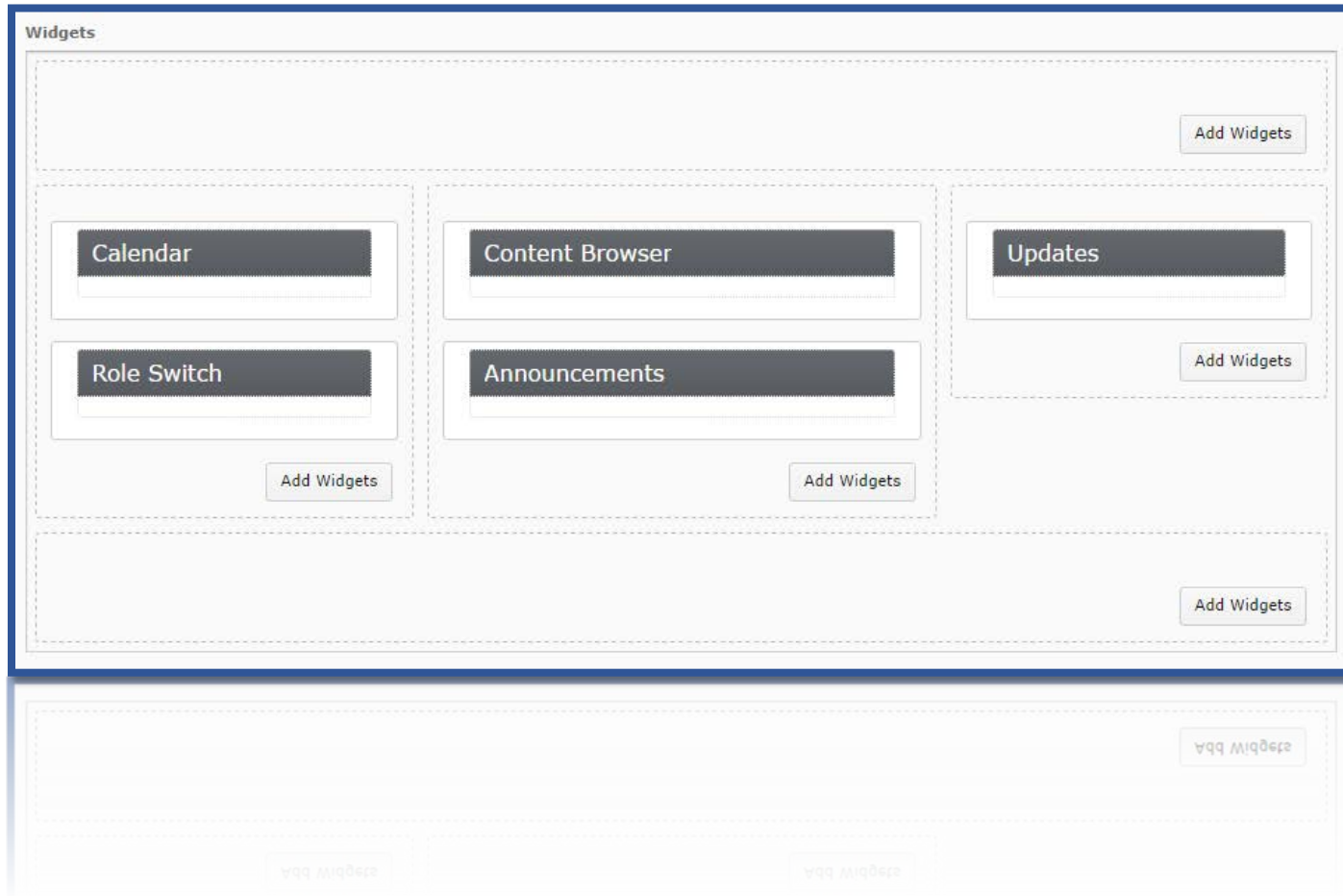
Step 2: Click on Homepages.



Note in the image below, the Course Default is the Active Homepage. Also, several other homepages are available for use.

Step 4: Click the Copy of the Course Default page to edit the page. The newly copied Homepage can be renamed by entering that name into the Name box on the Properties tab. Click on Save at the bottom of the screen.

The widgets on the homepage can be changed and the layout of those widgets by adding or moving widgets in the widgets section.



To add a new widget.

Click on the Add Widgets icon for one of the three columns or the header or footer section. Select the new widget from the list and click add.

To rearrange the widget.

Hover over the widget until your mouse changes to a quad-arrow then click and drag the widget to a new position.

To delete the widget.

Hover the mouse over the widget, then click on the X that appears in the top right corner.

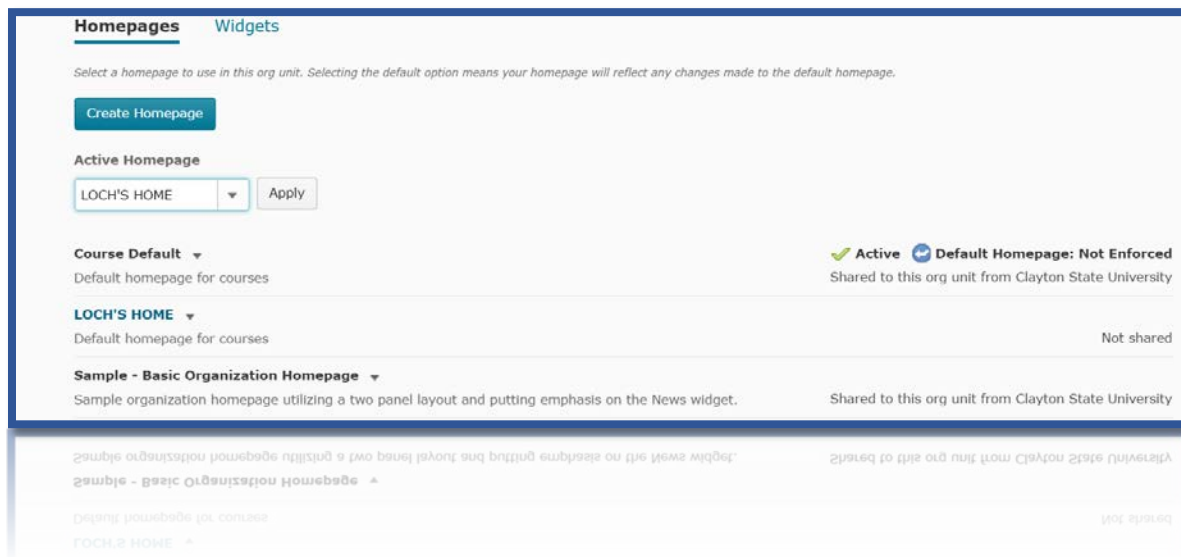
To edit the widget properties.

Double-click on a widget to go to the properties mode for the widget. Properties include title bar color, title, borders, etc.

When all edits have been completed, click on Save and Close at the bottom of the window.

To Use the New Homepage.

Under Active Homepage, click on the down arrow, select the NEW Homepage, and Apply.



The new homepage should appear when Course Home in the Navbar is clicked.

To delete the Homepage.

Click Course Admin, Homepages, click the arrow to the right of the homepage name, and delete. Note: An active homepage cannot be deleted, so make another page active first, then make the deletion.