

## Learning Technology Services

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# SCORM

## What is SCORM and How Can I Use It?

SCORM is defined this way: “The Sharable Content Object Reference Model (SCORM) integrates a set of related technical standards, specifications, and guidelines designed to meet SCORM’s high-level requirements—accessible, interoperable, durable, and reusable content and systems. SCORM content can be delivered to your learners via any SCORM-conformant Learning Management System (LMS) using the same version of SCORM.” (Advanced Distributed Learning) <http://www.adlnet.gov/scorm/>

## What does that mean?

In a nutshell, this means that UW-Stout instructors may be able to use some products from outside Learn@UW-Stout to create objects that integrate with Learn@UW-Stout. These objects might do things like automatically create a gradebook item associated with the object, create learning activities from outside applications, or provide analytics on the object or activity created.

**If SCORM is used, does everything work perfectly?** Operability, usability, and performance will depend on how much the software developer has devoted to the SCORM aspect of the software. Different products that produce SCORM objects will have different capabilities and these vary on a product-to-product basis.

There are certain procedures which may help when you anticipate using SCORM content in your course:

1. Determine if the application you are using can produce SCORM content.
2. If it appears that your software can produce SCORM objects, determine what is necessary to produce a SCORM object. In some cases, an add-in or additional software may be necessary to produce a SCORM object.
3. If you are able to produce a SCORM object, import it and test it with Learn@UW-Stout. Test for usability and also, if analytics are involved, if it provides the analytics you want.

Learn@UW-Stout accepts the import of SCORM 1.2 and SCORM 2004 objects.

***If you have more questions about SCORM, please feel free to contact the consultant for your college:***

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