In this video we add videos.brightcovelearning.com domain. Our prod stuff is on video.brightcovelearning.com

Brightcove provided domain used is brightcovetraining.brightcovegallery.com

In this video, you will learn how to host a Gallery site on a custom domain.

When you publish your Gallery site, it is assigned a random, static URL. The site URL is displayed as part of the experience properties after the site has been published…. If you don’t want to use the default domain, Gallery offers the option of using custom domains. There are two options. You can host the site on a Brightcove provided domain or you can host the site on your own custom domain. To use a custom domain, we’ll create the domain as part of the Gallery settings and then we’ll assign the domain to an experience as part of the experience properties.

Custom domains are created as part of the Gallery settings. I’ll click Settings… and then Custom Domains and SSL in the left navigation. You can see that right now I don’t have any custom domains. Let’s create one…

These first two options are for Brightcove provided domains. I can choose to host a site at a brightcovegallery.com or gallery.video domain. When I enter my specific domain, gallery will check to see if it’s available. If not, you’ll see a message… Once I find a valid domain, I’ll click save. So that’s an example of a Brightcove provided domain. Let’s create our own custom domain….This time I’ll select custom and then enter my custom domain... I can see the domain is valid so I’ll click Save.

Now, here’s the big difference. Notice that for the custom domain, there is a CNAME line below the domain. Whenever you are using your own custom domain, you must also create a CNAME record with your hosting provider and point it to the domain specified here. When using a Brightcove provided domain, no additional configuration is needed.

The process to add a CNAME zone file record will vary based upon the domain name registrar you have. I’ve logged into my hosting account and I can see the domain settings. What I am going to do is add another CNAME record…. I’m going to set the Host to videos. I’m doing this because I want to access my Gallery site at videos.brightcovelearning.com. Next, I need to enter the CNAME value that was in the Gallery UI. I’ll go back to Gallery, copy the value….and then paste it in. When I’m done I’ll click Save. Keep in mind that any DNS changes you make can take up to 48 hours to reflect on the Internet.

Now that we have some custom domains created, what we need to do next is assign them to a site. I’ll go back to Gallery…….and click on my experience to open the Gallery site Editor …. I’m going to click on Site Configuration…URL. I’ll click on Add Custom Domain. Notice that the two domains I added appear in the drop down list. All I have to do now is select the domain to assign the site to. To make things easy, I’ll assign this site to both of the domains I created…

I’m going to deactivate the initial URL that was assigned so that it doesn’t get indexed by search engines. When I’m done I’ll click Save.

I’ll go ahead and publish the changes….. The Brightcove provided domain should be available immediately. For the custom domain, once the DNS changes have taken place, you should be able to access your site using your custom domain name.