

# College Students Need A Platform to Unify All the Others

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## Problem Statement

"Because of the pandemic, colleges have transitioned most of their classes online. As an effect, the work that was previously completed in class and turned in physically have moved online. However, because every class has its own needs, no one platform can be used across the board in all classes. So, teachers have each used their own preferred programs and applications. This has made completing work and staying focused harder, especially on freshmen. So, students need a way to stay on top of all the work on each of these platforms, something that will list their work in one place. It is crucial for students to stay productive and have a clear method to complete their work. This will not only improve their workflow, but it will help them relieve any anxiety that they might have from feeling overwhelmed."

## Who is experiencing the Problem?

College students, especially freshmen, who are struggling to adapt to the new online based teaching because of the pandemic.

## What is the problem?

The coronavirus pandemic has changed the way classes are taught in college. But there is no standardized program that all teachers use for their classes. And this is because each class has different needs, so they use multiple different programs. This has resulted in each class using many different platforms, and no way for students to view all their work in one place. So, students haven't been able to efficiently stay on top of all their class work.

## Where does the problem present itself?

This problem occurs normally with freshmen even in face to face classes (where the homework is turned in online) but now especially because of the Covid-19 situation, most classes are delivered online and each use their own applications. It's present whenever a student is doing anything college related

## Why does it matter?

When new students or even returning students start a new year of college, they want to be able to stay on top of their work to focus and succeed. However, because this situation is new to everyone including the teachers, there is not a standardized method that is used by each teacher to deliver homework, quizzes, and tests. So, students tend to get overwhelmed and underperform because they cannot stay on top of their work. So, there needs to be a way to simplify this process and develop a method that will allow students to view and complete their work in one place, or at least something that will link all these programs. It would be a crucial upgrade in efficiency for not only the students, but the teachers as well, as they could link only one program or platform that will be the way for students to complete their work.