PL11233: Behaviors 201 for Padawan Learners

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Introduction



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Class introduction

In this "201" level of Vault Behaviors classes we will explore behaviors command usage and administration and observe what happens to Vault objects. At the conclusion of this you will be well on your journey to becoming a Vault Jedi Master.



Key learning objectives

At the end of this class, you will be able to:

- Understand how categories drive the initial behaviors of objects
- Understand how to use behavior change commands
- Understand how lifecycle changes affect other behaviors
- Interact with properties both manually and automatically



Behaviors 101 Re-cap



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Revision

 Identifying alpha-numeric value that represents the iteration of an object corresponding to a design milestone or release event

Lifecycle

- Describes the process or stages an object passes through from innovation to production or construction
- State is a status within that process

Property

- String, date, number or boolean that serves as a characteristic or an identifier.
- Category
 - Not a behavior but brings them all together and makes them available

Understand how categories drive the initial behaviors of objects



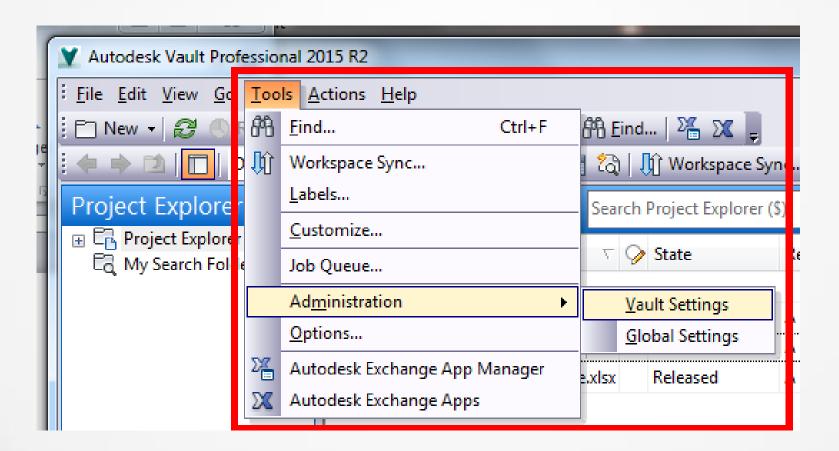
Category Assignment

- Objects are assigned to categories when they are created (initial checked-in, in the case of files)
- Category assignment rules
- Based on category, determines lifecycle, revision scheme and properties
- There is always a default behavior for any category
 - <None> "Opt-out" scenario in some cases



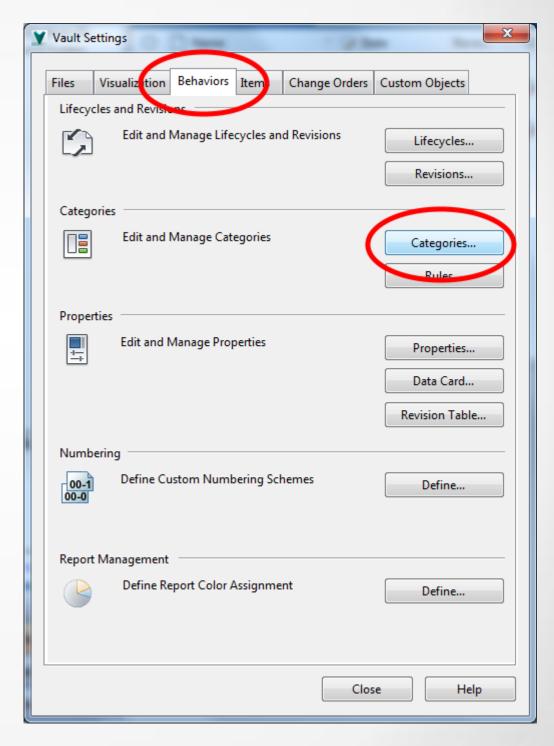


- Where to find the administration settings
- Tools->Administration->Vault Settings



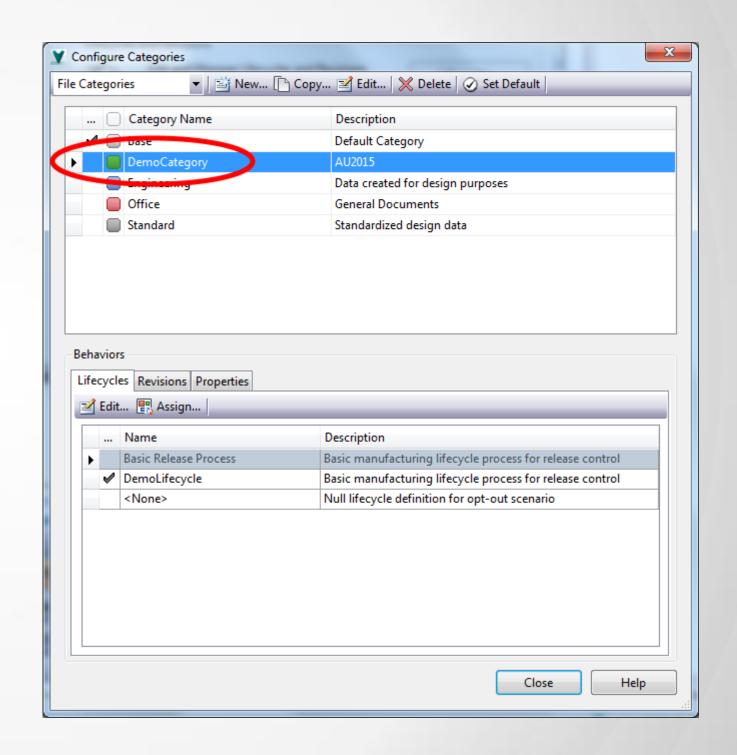


Behaviors tab, Categories button



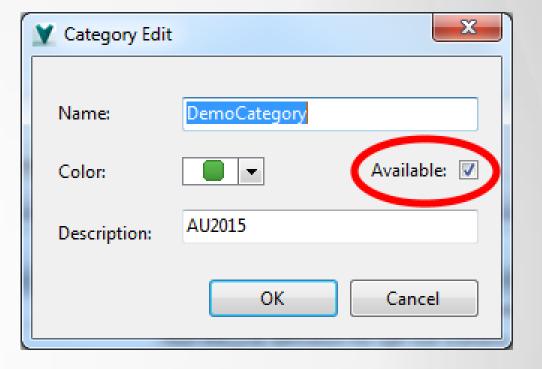


- Configure Categories Dialog
- "DemoCategory"
- Offers lifecyles, revisions, properties at the bottom
- There is always a default



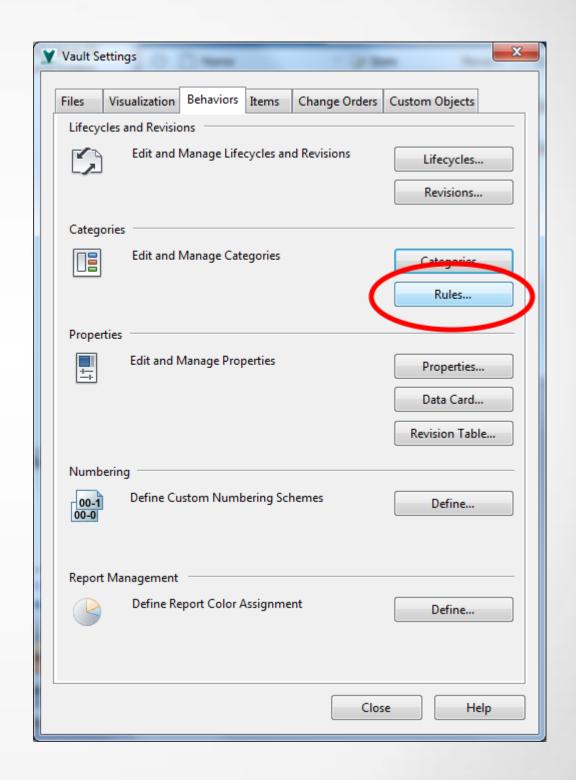


- Edit a category
- "Available"
 - Change Category command
 - Create Item



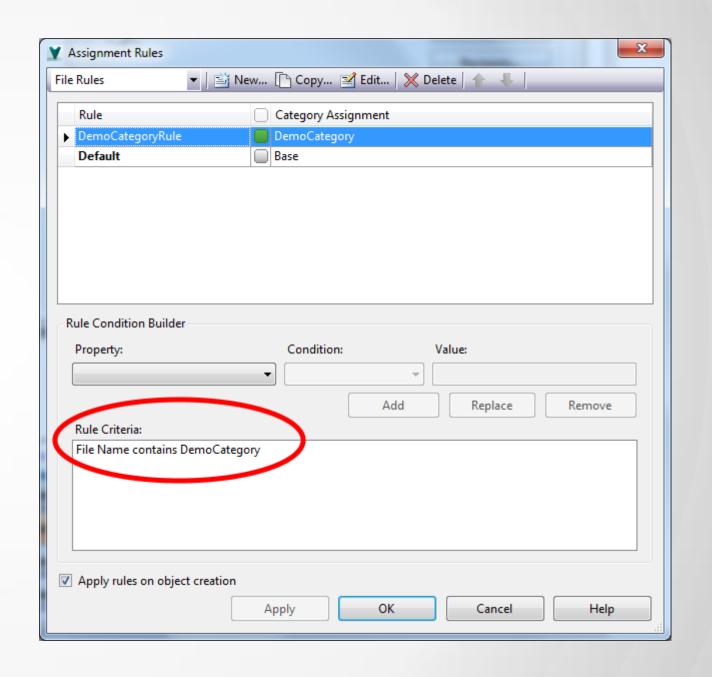


Category Assignment Rules



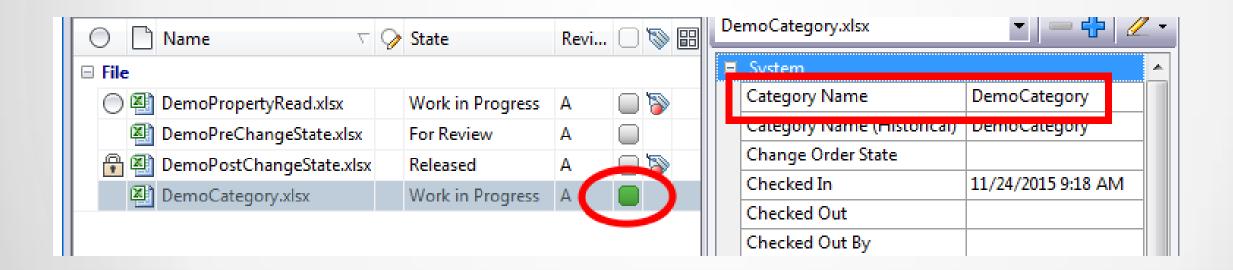


- Category Assignment Rules
- Based on properties
- Once a rule is satisfied that category is used and no other rules are evaluated



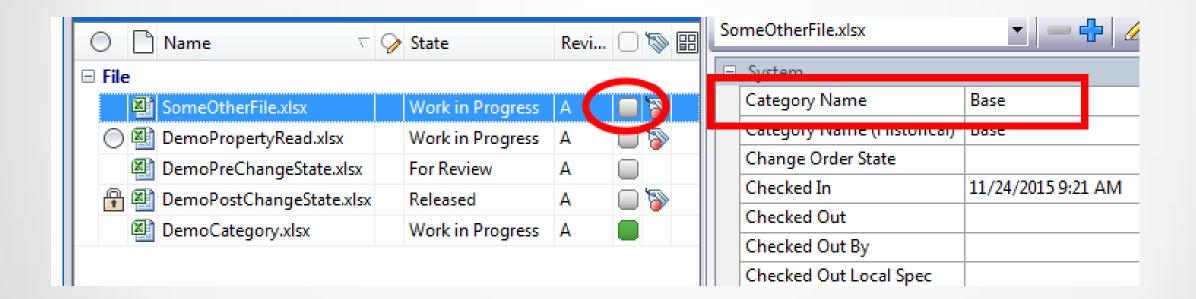


- Check in a file called "DemoCategory.xlsx"
- Assigned to the category "DemoCategory"





Check in another file and notice different category



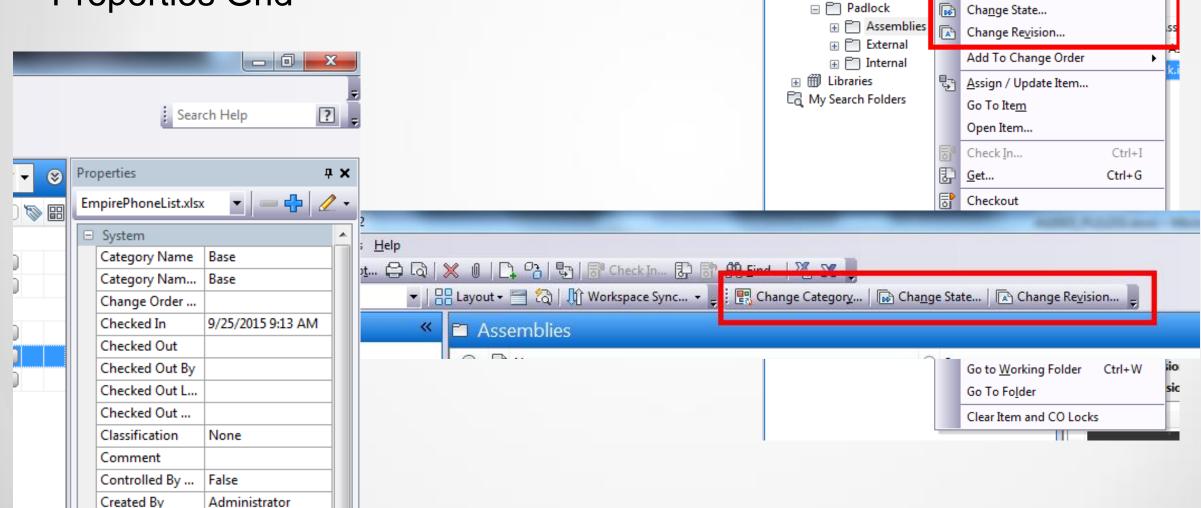


Understand how to use behavior change commands





- Finding the commands
 - Actions Menu
 - Behaviors Toolbar
 - Properties Grid



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File Edit View Go Tools Actions Help

View in Window...

Open with Viewer

Change Category...

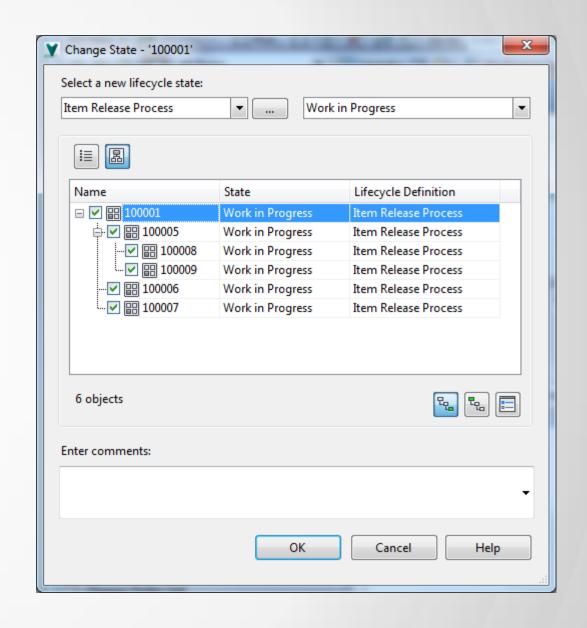
Update File Reference

Update View



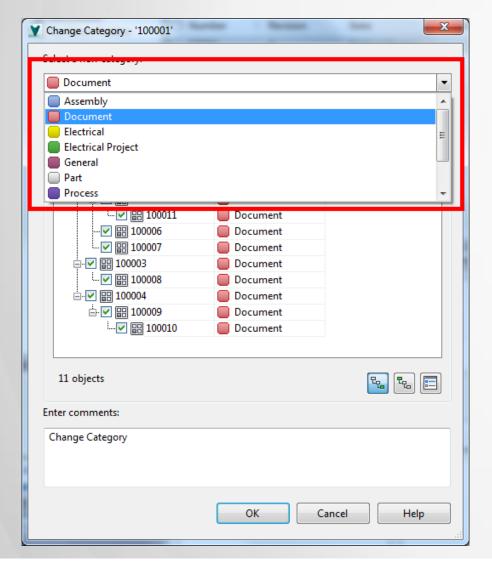
Relationship Gathering

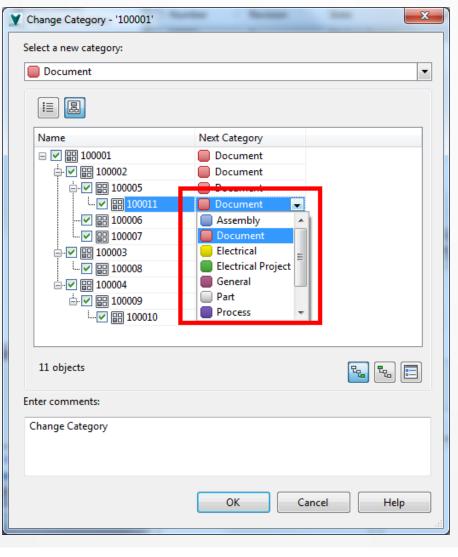
- A means to collect objects that have relationships to the initial selection
- Gathers parents, children, library files (content center), attachments
- Allows individual changes or changes to all objects
- May disallow changes to some objects (i.e., checked-out files)
- Cloaked objects appear as "Inaccessible"
- Uncheck objects to avoid changing them





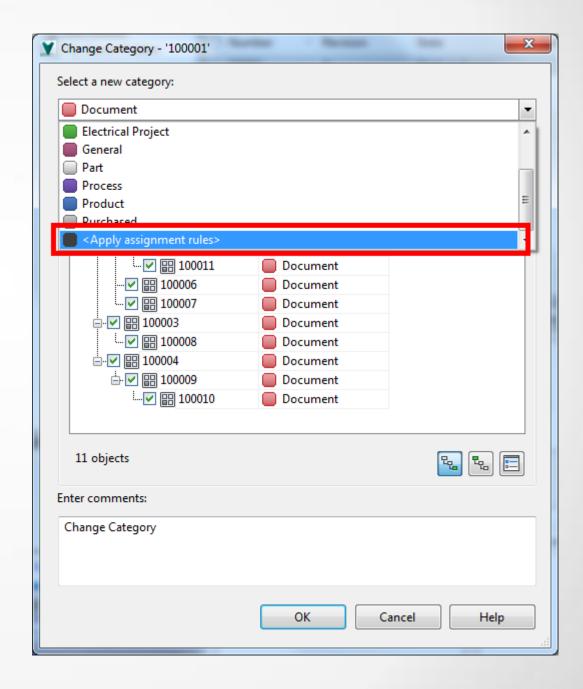
- Change Category
- Change all from the top pull down
- Change individually





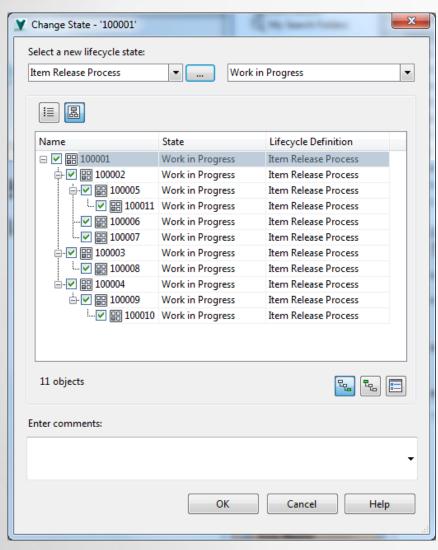


- Category Assignment Rules
- Just like initial object creation





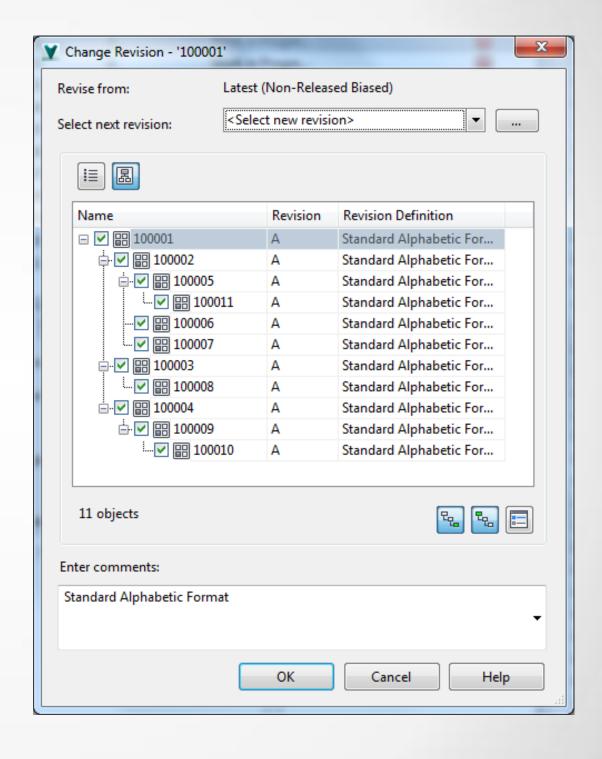
- Change State
- Change Definition from the upper left, or states from upper right
- Like Change Category, can change all from the top or individually



Changing to another definition will set the state to the default state of that new definition



- Change Revision
 - Primary
 - Secondary
 - Tertiary
 - From user defined property
- Like Change Category, can change all from the top or individually
- Can manually enter values
- Can also change to another revision scheme





Understand how lifecycle changes affect other behaviors



Lifecycle State Changes

- Transition availability may be configured by user/group
- Transition success may be enforced based on criteria
 - Criteria is properties-based
 - "Property Compliance"
- Key behavior affected is properties



Post-Lifecycle State Changes

- Automatically 'bump' a revision
 - Primary
 - Secondary
 - Tertiary
- Synchronize Properties
 - Does not occur immediately
 - Handled by a properly configured job server
- Key behaviors affected are revisions & properties

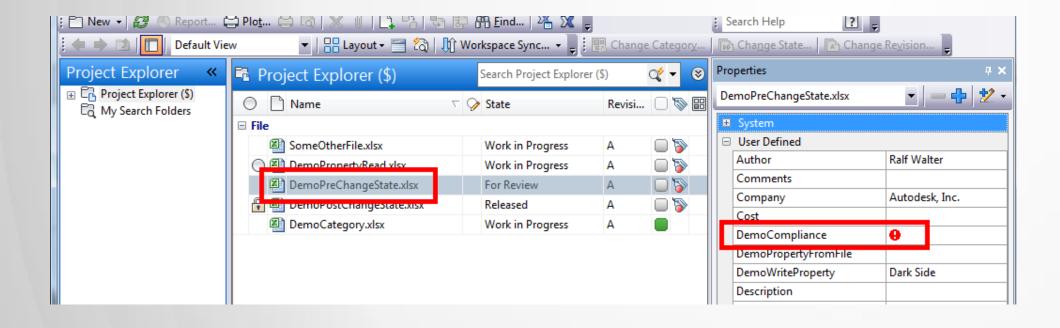


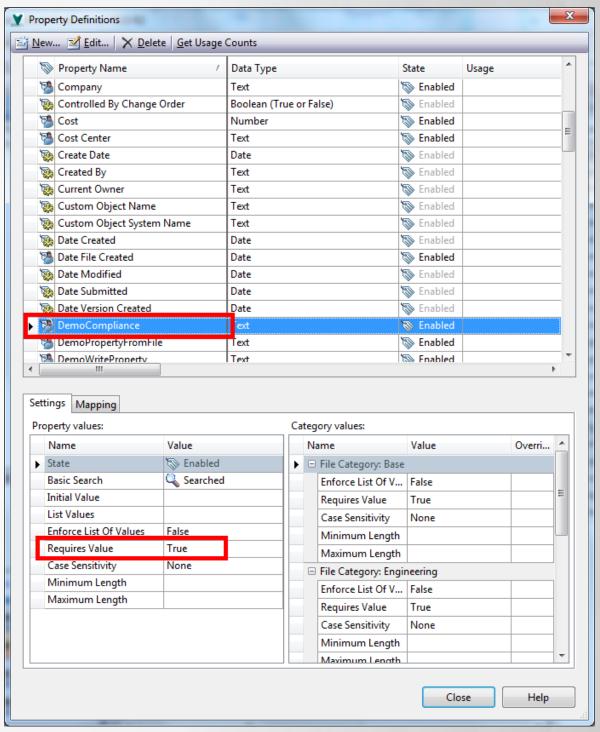


- Pre-State Change
 - Behavior affected is Properties
- Post-State Change
 - Behaviors affected
 - Revisions
 - Properties



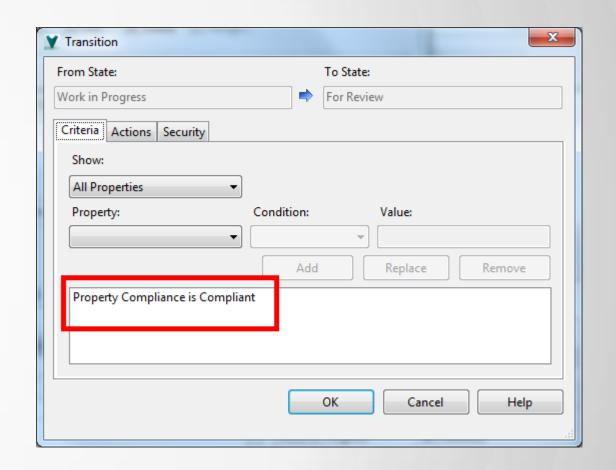
- Pre-State Change
- Non-compliant property "DemoCompliance"





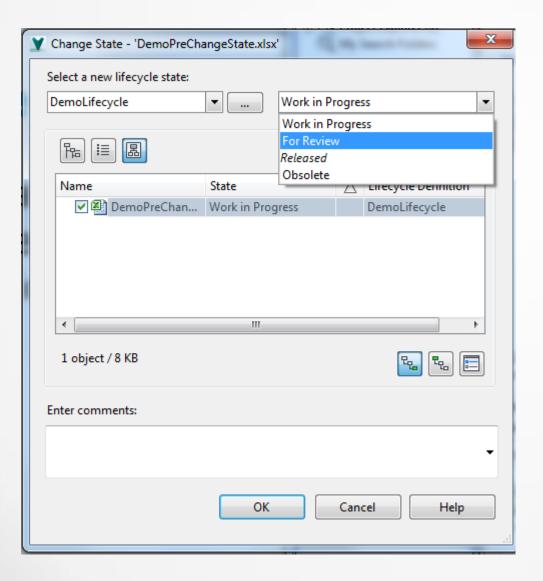


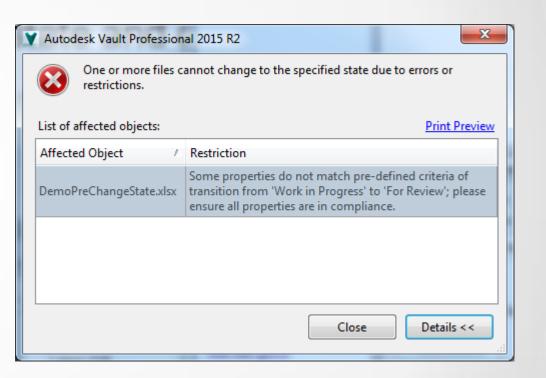
- Look at the state transition for "Work in Progress" to "For Review" for this file's lifecycle
- "Criteria", properties-based
- This transition can only be successful if the criteria is met
- "Property Compliance" is, in itself, a Vault system property





Change the state and observe a restriction







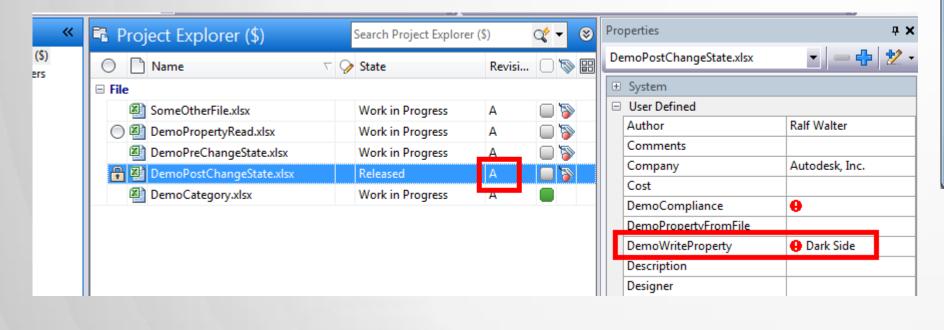
Post-Change State

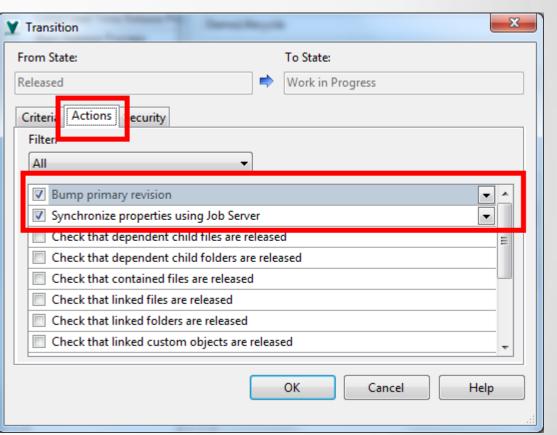
Observe State Transition Action for "Released" to "Work in

Progress"

We can bump the revision

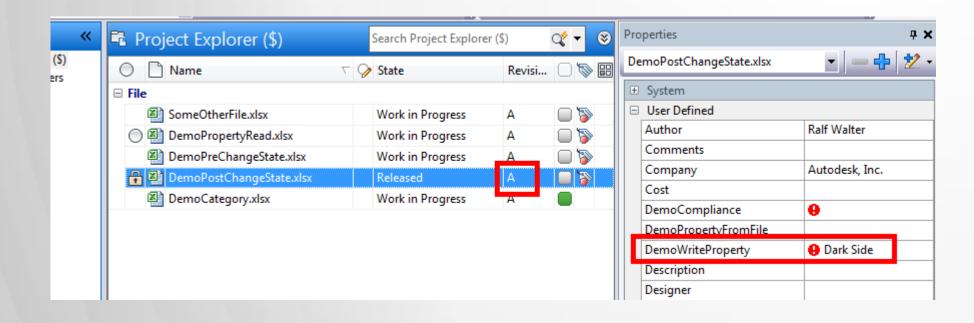
Also Synchronize Properties

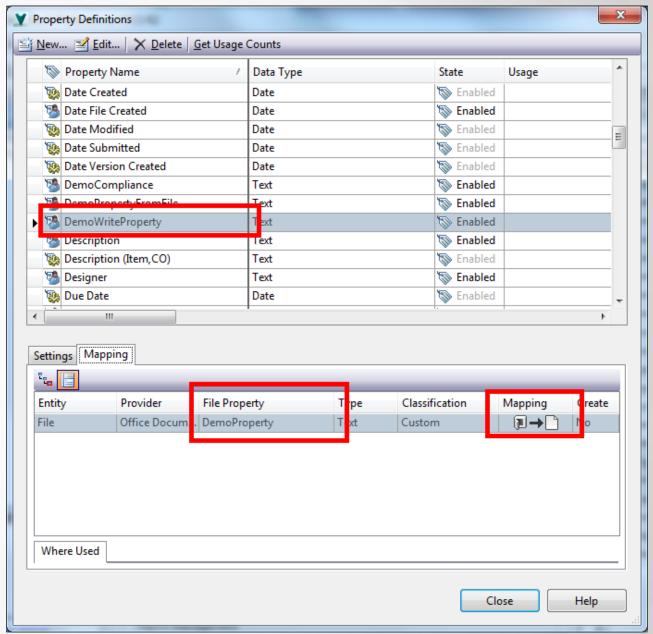




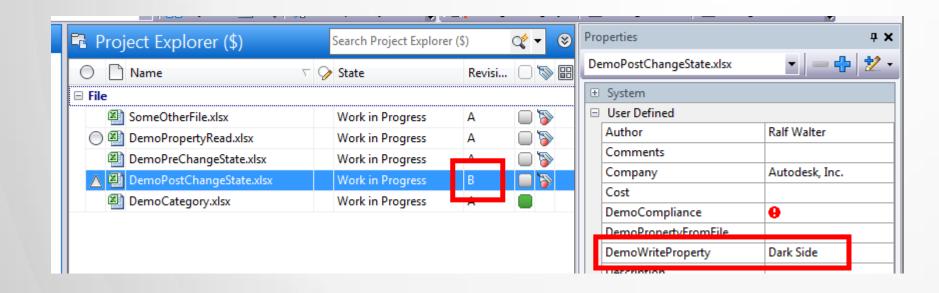


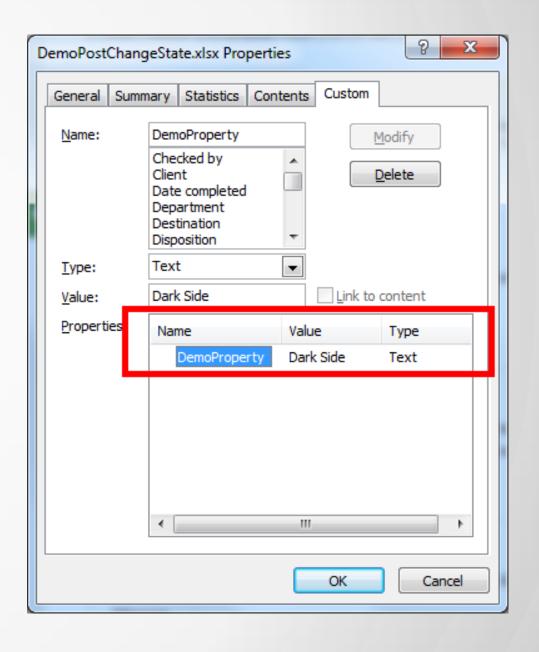
- The property "DemoWriteProperty" maps to a file property called "DemoProperty"
- The Vault to file icon denotes a writemapping





- Change the state to "Work in Progress"
- Revision is bumped
- Property is changed in the file
- Property is compliant





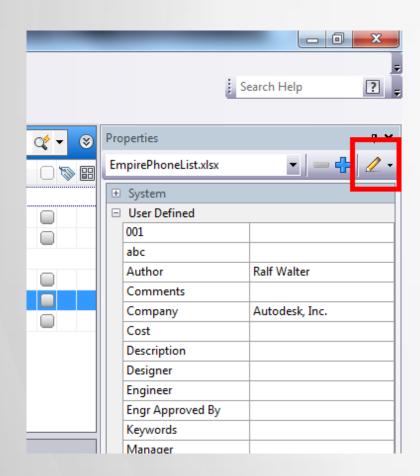


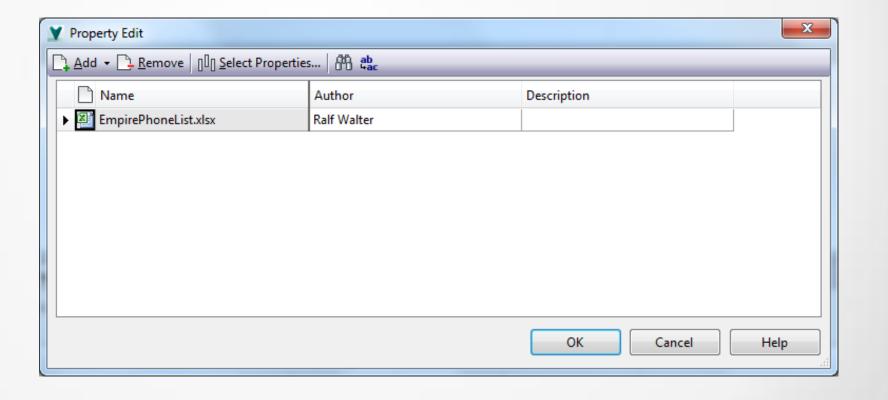
Interact with properties both manually and automatically



Manual Property Edits

- Property editor
- Single or multiple objects
- Causes files to be checked out then checked in









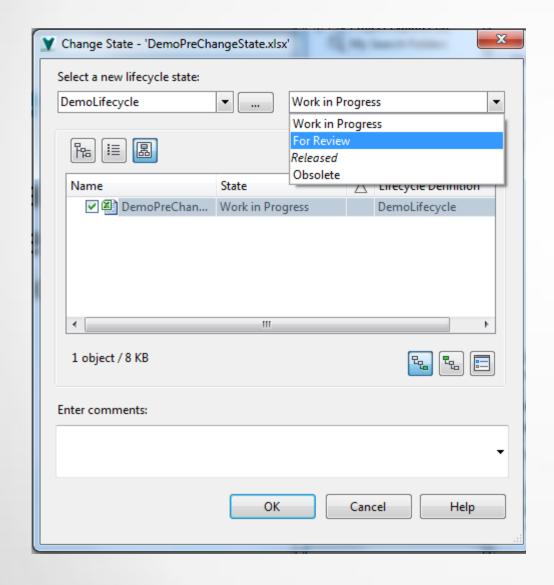
Automatic Property Edits

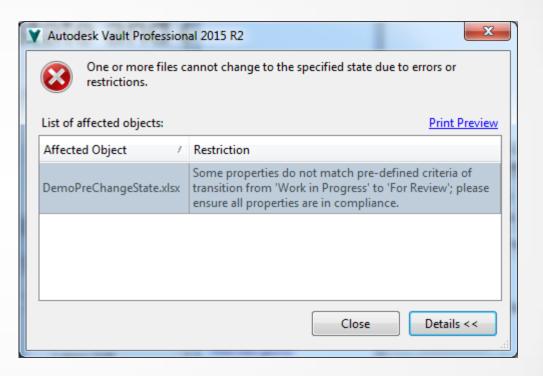
- Based on mappings, administrator
 - Write-mappings (to file)
 - When properties are manually edited (causes check-out & check-in)
 - Properties synchronization due to lifecycle change
 - Read-mappings (from file) occur when files are checked in
- Read-mappings may cause properties to become non-compliant, and therefore may disallow state changes





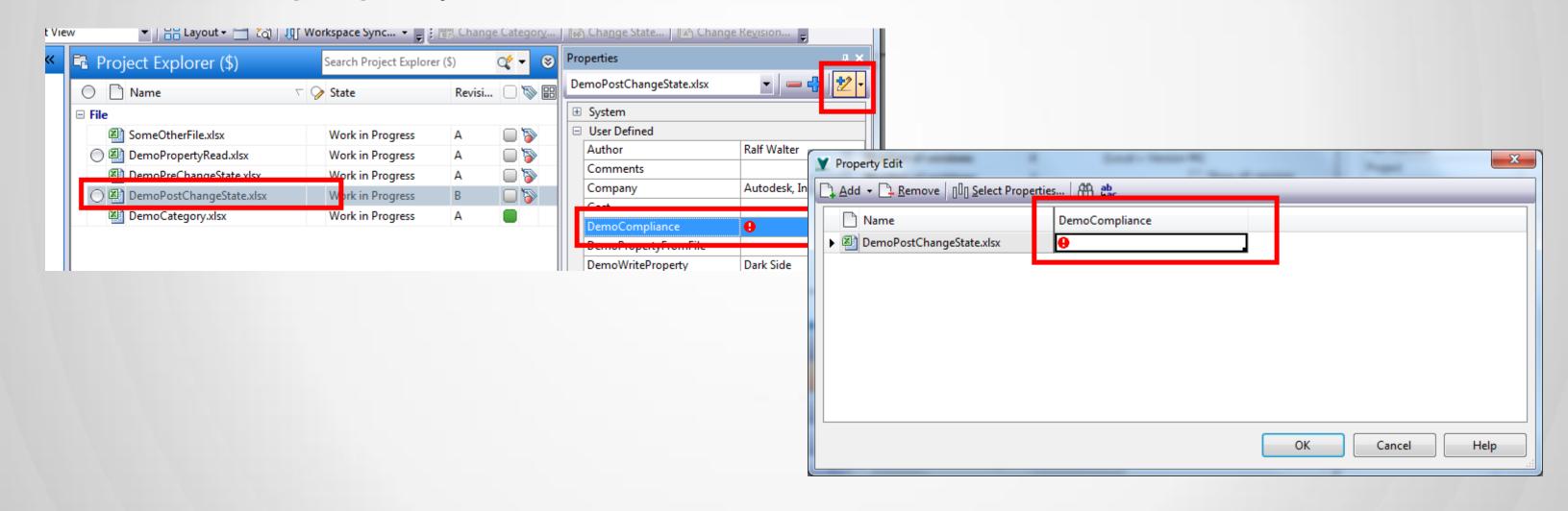
Remember that failed state change from earlier?





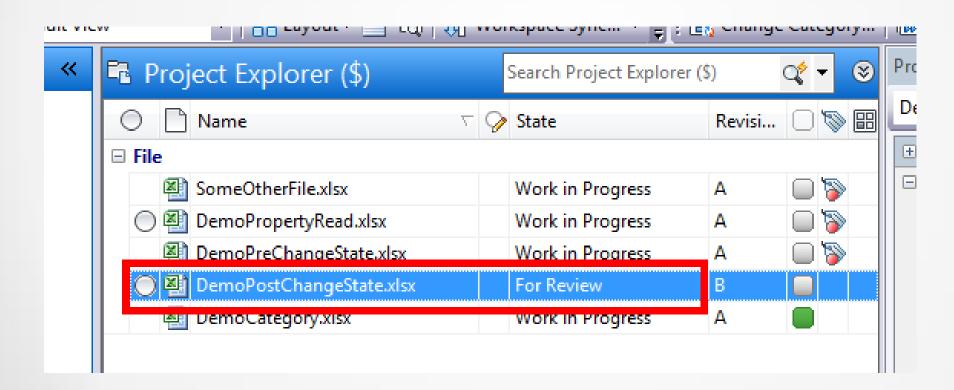


- Let's fix it by manually editing the property
- Select the Property Edit button in the property grid
- Give the property a value





- Now try the state change from "Work in Progress" to "For Review" again
- Success!

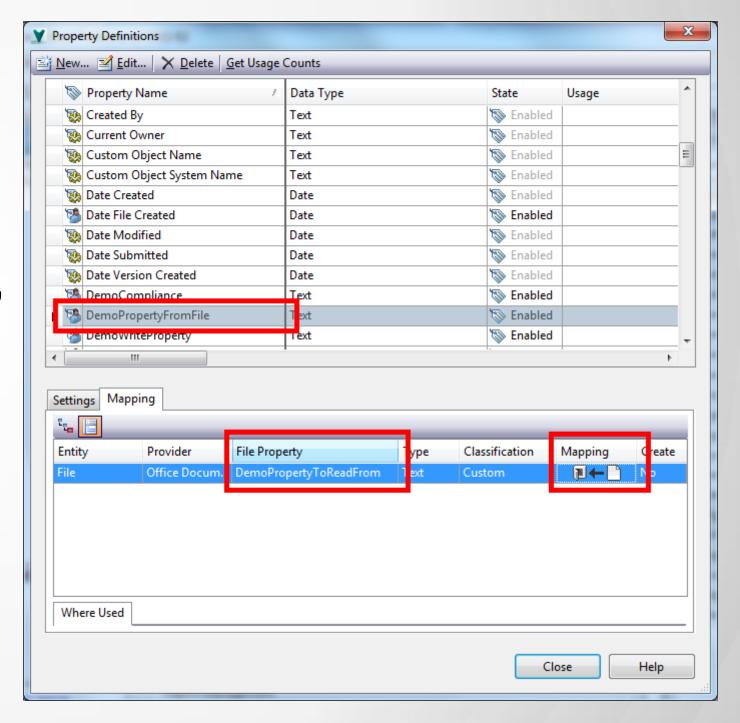




- Automatic property edit
- One example we already saw was due to a lifecycle state change that synchronized properties
- Let's observe a read-mapping
 - When we check a file in

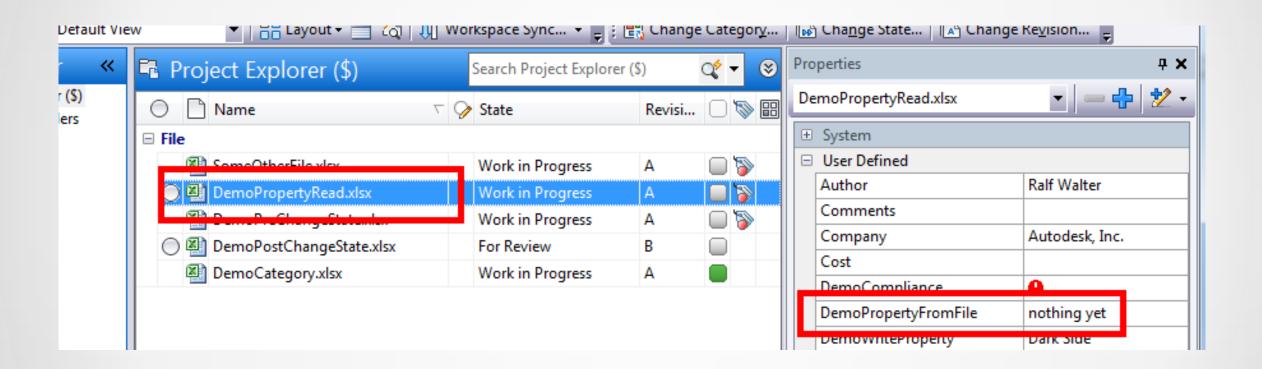


- "DemoPropertyRead.xlsx"
- Vault property is "DemoPropertyFromFile", let's take a look
- It's maps to a property in the file called "DemoPropertyToReadFrom"
- The Vault from file icon denotes this is a read-mapping



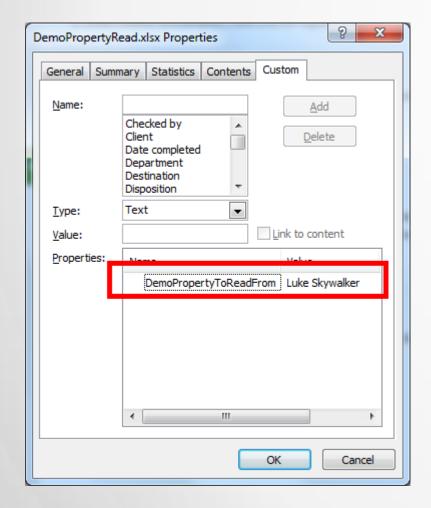


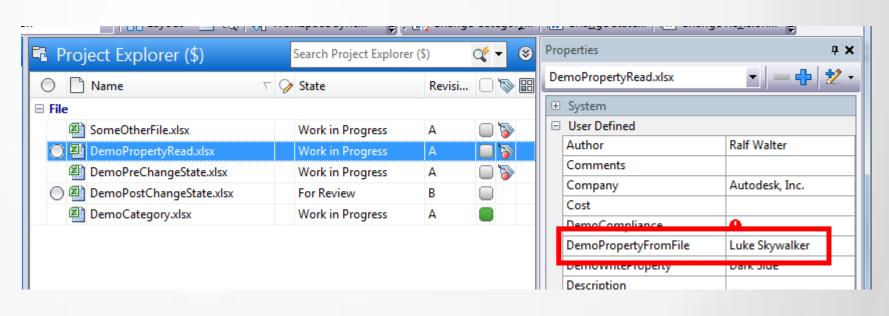
It's Vault value is "nothing yet"





- Check out and open the file and modify the property
- Check the file in
- Success!







Conclusion

Key learning objectives met

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Related Classes

- Good material to download!
- PL10597 Behaviors (101) for Younglings (yesterday)
- PL11664 Behaviors 301 for the Jedi Master (tomorrow, 10:00-11:30)
- Other Vault Classes
 - PL10593 Data Management Avengers III (tomorrow, 3:00-4:00)
 - PL11224 Moving from Files to Items in Vault—Part 1 (yesterday, 5:00-6:00)
 - PL11458 Moving from Files to Items in Vault—Part 2 (same time as this class)
 - PL11319 Evolve with Vault: What's New in Vault 2016 (yesterday, 1:30-2:30)



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