## A GitBook Example for Teaching

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This is a test GitBook based on A GitBook Example for Teaching.		

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# Prerequisites

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- University of Pittsburgh OER: Big List of Open Educational Resources.
- MERLOT: Online learning and support materials and content creation tools, led by an international community of educators, learners and researchers.

# Compatibility with existing systems

Many universities offer digital platforms for learning. You might wish to embed your GitBook within these existing systems. Here are two ways in which you might do that. Currently, this section only discusses BlackBoard, but the same principles should apply to other platforms.

#### 7.1 Add a hyperlink

You can add a link to your GitBook in the BlackBoard course menu by following this tutorial.

#### 7.2 Embed the whole book

You can add a Blank Page to your BlackBoard course menu, and fill that page with a full-size "iframe" - a web page within the web page. This tutorial explains how to do it. It is possible that your university is blocking this feature, however.

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