Adding a Creative Commons License to a Learning Management System Course

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For the specific case of a course export from a Learning Management System (LMS) such as *Blackboard Learn*, *Canvas by Instructure*, *Desire2Learn*, etc, you should add a content item to the course. This item, which becomes part of the course, will be included in the export and will be imported by anyone adopting the materials out of the Skills Commons repository.

In the LMS course, create a content item with the following HTML.

<p><a rel="license" href="http://creativecommons.org/licenses/by/4.0/" target="\_blank"><img alt="Creative Commons License" style="border-width: 0;" src="https://i.creativecommons.org/l/by/4.0/88x31.png" /></a><br /><br />This work is licensed under a <a rel="license" href="http://creativecommons.org/licenses/by/4.0/" target="\_blank">Creative Commons Attribution 4.0 International License</a>.</p>

The method for adding a content item varies by LMS, but the item will look something like this:



Note that your LMS may offer additional ways to add licensing information to the course metadata.

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