CANVAS NAVIGATION MENU CUSTOM LINK
REDIRECT TOOL

This tutorial will show you how to use the frequently overlooked Redirect Tool, which allows you to create a link in the main navigation menu of a Canvas course.
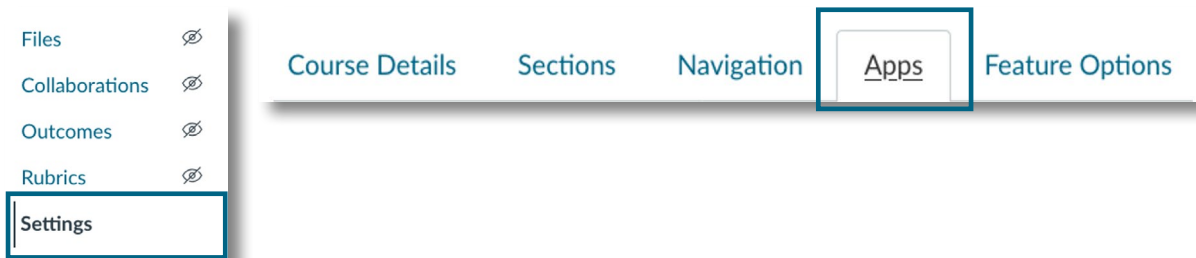
▶ Get the URL of the Link

Copy any link you choose to use and paste it in an open text file for retrieval later.
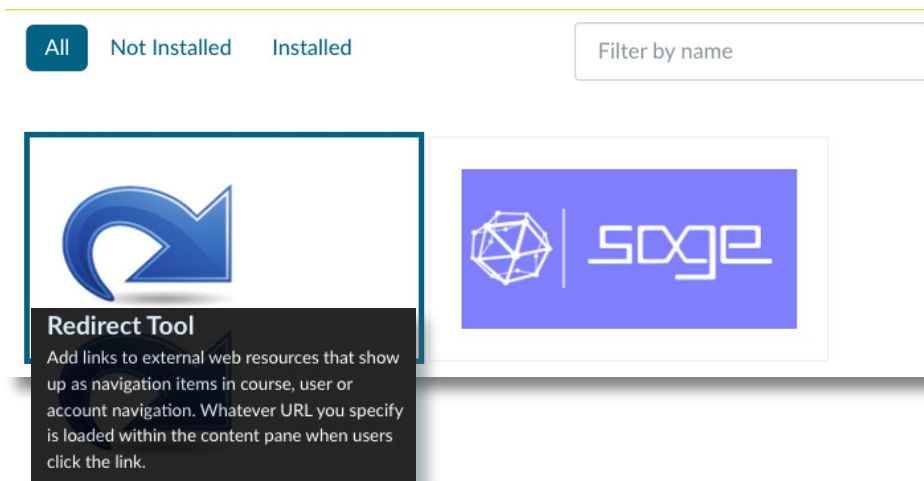
▶ Setting up the Link in Canvas

01 Choose **Settings** in your Canvas course, then select the **Apps** tab.

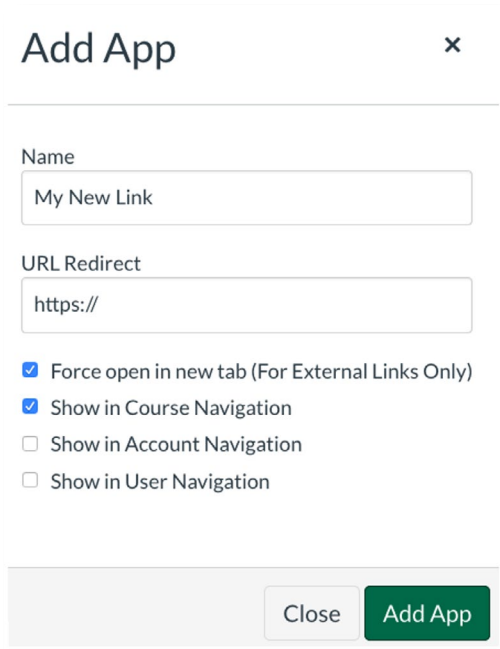**02** Choose the app with the image of a blue arrow. It will show the name **Redirect Tool** when you hover over it.

Redirect Tool
Add links to external web resources that show up as navigation items in course, user or account navigation. Whatever URL you specify is loaded within the content pane when users click the link.

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In the dialog box that appears, change the **Name** (by default, the name Redirect Tool is there) to whatever you'd like to call your link, then copy the URL from the text doc you have open and paste it into the **URL Redirect** field. Make sure that you've checked the **Force Open in New Tab** and **Show in Course Navigation** boxes, then select **Add App**.
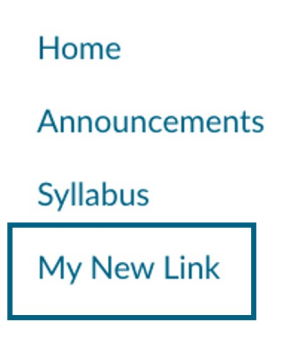
Add App ✕

Name

My New Link

URL Redirect

https://

☑ Force open in new tab (For External Links Only)
☑ Show in Course Navigation
☐ Show in Account Navigation
☐ Show in User Navigation

Close   Add App

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The link now appears in your navigation menu.

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NOTE
Any change in the link address (URL) will break the link you create. It will be necessary to delete the link and create a new one.
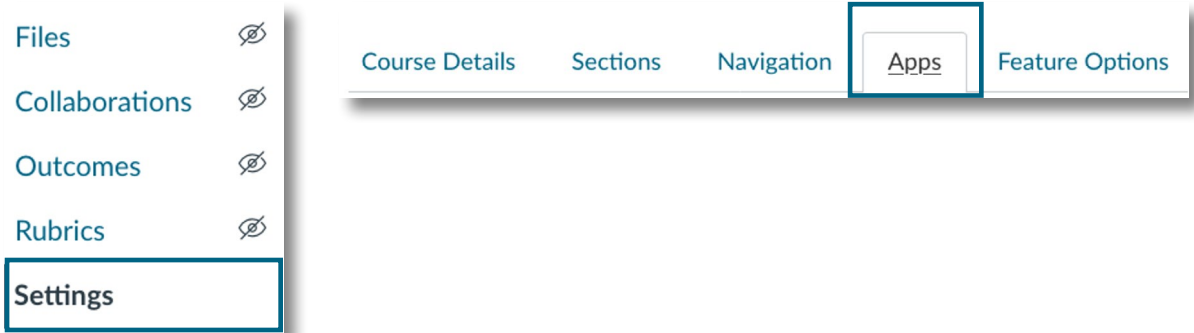
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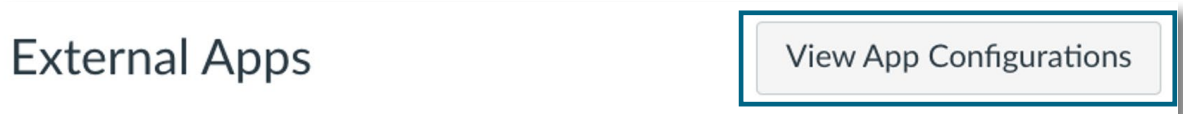Developed by Digital Learning, USF Innovative Education • Visit us on LinkedIn
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Deleting the Link in Canvas

01 Choose **Settings** in your Canvas course, then select the **Apps** tab.

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Settings

Course Details | Sections | Navigation | Apps | Feature Options

02 Choose **View App Configuration**s at the top of the page.

External Apps   View App Configurations

03 In the list that appears, find your link, select the **gear icon**, and then **Delete**.

My New Link   ⚙ ▾

My Reviewers   ✎ Edit
                                                        ⓘ Placements
MyBusinessCourse   🗑 Delete

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