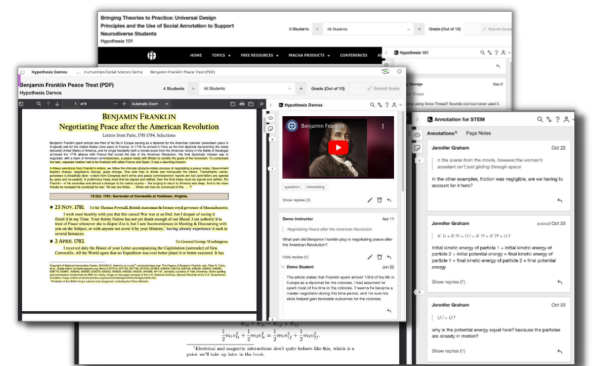# hypothes.is

Getting started - UCLA and Hypothesis

What is Hypothesis?

Hypothesis is an easy-to-use pedagogical tool that enables students and teachers to have conversations in the margins of digital texts.

This **social annotation tool** is installed directly in Bruin Learn and is available to you now. Adding Hypothesis to readings supports student success by placing active discussion right on top of course readings.

Why Use Hypothesis?

Critical Thinking:
Help students develop academic skills like deep reading and persuasive writing

Simplicity:
Skip complex setup, passwords and platforms
- get your students annotating their already assigned reading quickly and with support

Community:
Foster student connections as they annotate and learn together

Inclusion:
Make space for students to engage in class discussion and develop ideas at their own pace

How To Get Started?

See below for the support option that fits you best - guided or tutorial - to get started with social annotation in your course.

Or you can just email the Hypothesis Customer Success team and we will take it from there.

Guided Support: Choose from the following

- ### UCLA OTL Instructional Design Showcase Series

  February 2nd at 10am. Hear from the Hypothesis team as well as UCLA faculty who are currently using the tool. Learn how to get started, bring your questions and readings to this hands-on workshop. Register here

  After the showcase, find continued support at UCLA Online Teaching and Learning.

- ### Office Hours

  Click here any Tuesday from 12:00-12:30 between January 24 and May 30 for Hypothesis support. You can also RSVP here for a calendar reminder.

- ### Zoom meeting with Hypothesis Customer Success

  In this 1:1 walkthrough you will learn how to use Hypothesis for success specifically for your course.

- ### Departmental Workshops

  Hypothesis offers pedagogical support for using social annotation for the disciplines you teach. You can schedule this for your department or small group, we will take care of RSVPs as well as lunch or coffee. Email your UCLA Customer Success team to get started.

- ### Partner Workshop

  Register here for these training sessions open to all of our academic partners covering a range of social annotation topics.

Tutorials and Videos

- *How: The Basics of Getting Set Up*

  Using Hypothesis in Canvas Guide

  - How to set up graded Hypothesis readings through Canvas Assignments
  - How to set up Hypothesis readings through Canvas Modules
  - How to grade Hypothesis annotations in Canvas
  - Using Canvas Groups to create Hypothesis reading groups

- *What: Assignment Ideas*

  - Examples of Classroom Use
  - 10 Ways to Annotate With Students
  - Annotation Starter Assignments

- *Why: Social Annotation in Context*

  - Liquid Margins, our video series for social annotation
  - Resources for Social Annotation

Hypothesis Academy

This asynchronous two-week program will culminate with an official certification and teach participants the following:

- How to analyze and discuss the benefits of social annotation in courses.

- How to set up a Hypothesis-enabled assignment in the appropriate LMS and grade the assignment.

- How to design an activity that uses social annotation with Hypothesis.

Hypothesis Educator Forum

Join the Hypothesis Educator Forum, a social learning community designed to be a space where instructors can explore social annotation and connect with each other on how they're implementing it across their curriculum.

This is a cross-institutional community of educators coming together to share ideas, ask questions and support each other with social annotation.

Thanks for your interest in Hypothesis, we look forward to supporting you as you and your students get to know the tool. We welcome your feedback at any point, if there is support you need or anything you want to share, please do not hesitate to reach out.