

How to Embed a YouTube Video

To embed a YouTube video in VikingWeb, you need a Custom Content Portlet on your course page (About This Course portlet is a custom content portlet, or you can add a new one). Please refer to the resource titled Add a Portlet to a Page in the Other LMS Resources to learn how to add a portlet to a page. Also, you can refer to the About This Course/Custom Content resource under LMS Main Page Resources.

Important Note: An iFrame is an html element that allows a user to post a document inside an html document. You can use an iFrame to embed websites and YouTube videos on your course page.

Open YouTube in a separate window and find the video that you want to embed.

1. Log in to VikingWeb

2. Navigate to your course

On the Main Page of your course, at the top of the left-hand column, you should see an 'About This Course' portlet. (If you have already content to the portlet, please skip ahead to the top of page 5. If you want to add a new custom content portlet, see page 6.)

3. Click Create Content in the About This Course (or other custom content portlet)

About This Course

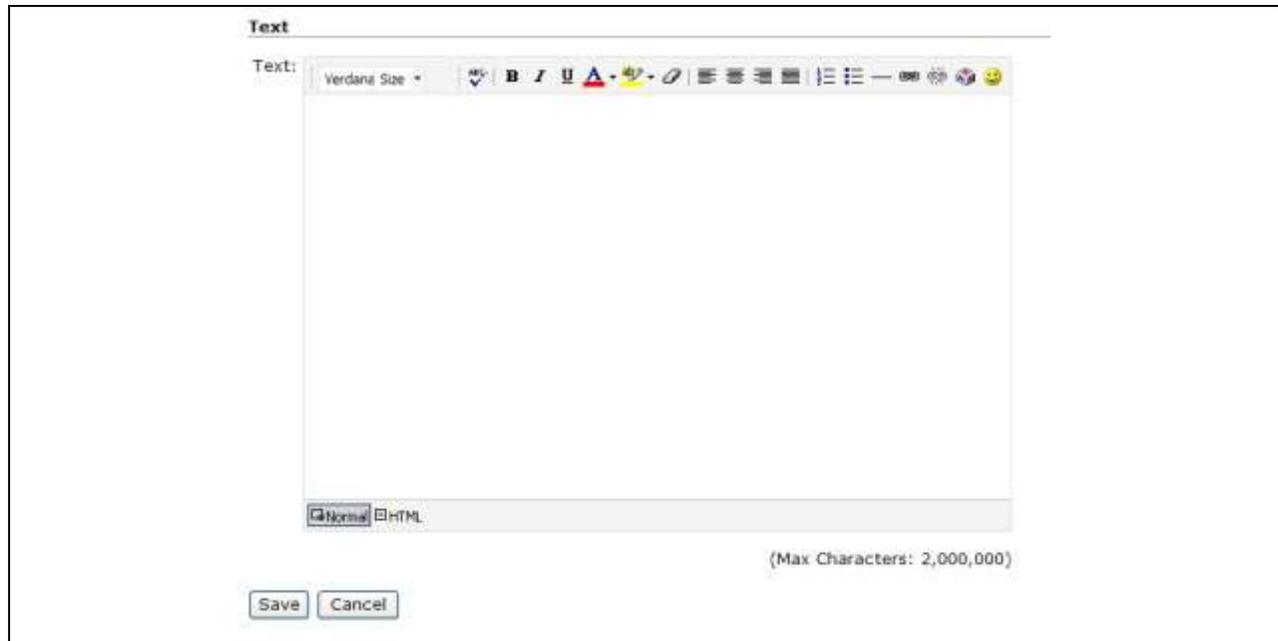
There is no content in this portlet.

You can add content in the following way(s):

[Create Content](#)

4. Scroll down the page to the text box.

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At the bottom of the text box, there are two modes: Normal and html.

5. Switch to HTML



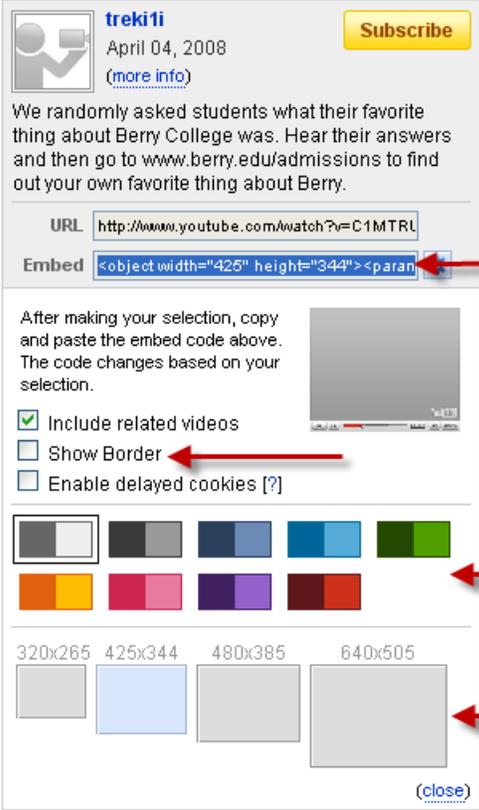
6. Go to the YouTube video.

On the right hand side of the video you should see a slightly grey box with some information about the video. There are two pieces of information you can get from this page – URL and Embed Code.

7. Click in the Embed box and the code will automatically be highlighted. Copy the code (right click the mouse and pick copy or click “Control C”).

When you click in the embed box, a few options for customization will appear. You have the option of adding a border, choosing the border color, and changing the size. If you make changes be sure to copy the embed code again.

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The screenshot shows the YouTube embed interface for a video. At the top, the user 'treki1i' is identified with a profile picture, a 'Subscribe' button, and the date 'April 04, 2008'. Below this is a text description: 'We randomly asked students what their favorite thing about Berry College was. Hear their answers and then go to www.berry.edu/admissions to find out your own favorite thing about Berry.' The 'URL' field contains 'http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=C1MTRL'. The 'Embed' field contains the code '<object width="425" height="344"><param'. Below the embed code are several options: 'Include related videos' (checked), 'Show Border' (unchecked), and 'Enable delayed cookies [?]'. There are two rows of color swatches for the video player's background. At the bottom, there are four size selection boxes: '320x265', '425x344', '480x385', and '640x505'. A '(close)' link is at the bottom right. Red arrows point to the 'Embed' field, the 'Show Border' checkbox, the color swatches, and the '425x344' size box.

Note: some videos have had embedding disabled. If this is the case, the embed line will look like this:



The screenshot shows the YouTube embed interface for a video where embedding is disabled. The 'URL' field contains 'http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=aVsFfzB-'. The 'Embed' field contains the text 'Embedding disabled by request'.

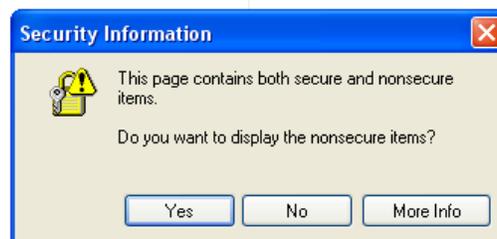
8. Paste the code from YouTube into the text area (make sure you are in html mode) of the custom content portlet.
9. Click Save.

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Text: `<object width="425" height="344"><param name="movie" value="http://www.youtube.com/v/C1MTRUJ_QqY&hl="><param name="allowFullScreen" value="true"></param><param name="allowsriptaccess" value="always"></param><embed src="http://www.youtube.com/v/C1MTRUJ_QqY&hl=" type="application/x-shockwave-flash" allowsriptaccess="always" allowfullscreen="true" width="425" height="344"></embed></object>`

(Max Characters: 2,000,000)

After clicking Save, you will be taken to a page with a full page 'About This Course' portlet. You will see a security warning. Unfortunately, there is nothing we can do about the warning. VikingWeb is a secure site (https) and when you embed a YouTube video, VikingWeb is streaming content from a nonsecure site. Each time the video loads, you will have to click Yes on the warning.



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