

Archive or Restore a Course

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To Access the Form: Scroll down to the red button under [Ready to fill out the form?](#).

Alternatively, you can access this form by selecting **[VTAC Self-Service Forms]** in the upper-left navigation menu, then choose the appropriate form from the list.

The **Archive and Restore Courses** form can be used to restore or archive courses and sandboxes. The toggle switch allows you to simply toggle a course's state between **archived** or **available**.

NOTE: All archived courses will be kept for **no more than 7 years** before they are purged. See the [D2L Course Purge \(https://vtac.lonestar.edu/help/course-purge\)](https://vtac.lonestar.edu/help/course-purge) article for more details on the purging process.

1. When opening the form, go to **Select Term** and click **[Select One]**. Then, choose the semester for the desired course from the list.



The screenshot shows the 'Archive and Restore Courses' form interface. At the top, there are two large arrows: a blue arrow pointing left labeled 'ARCHIVE' and a blue arrow pointing right labeled 'RESTORE'. Below these arrows is a 'Select Term' dropdown menu with 'Select One' selected. Underneath the dropdown is a 'Courses Available' section, which is currently empty. A mouse cursor is visible over the empty area.

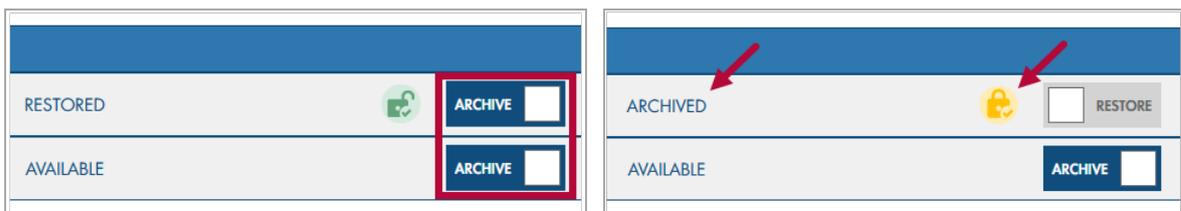
2. Once you have chosen a semester, all relevant courses and sandboxes will appear under **Courses Available**. For each course you will see the following info:
 - A. **Course Title:** This column displays the *Course Title*.
 - B. **Course Offering Code:** This column displays the *Course Offering Code*.
 - C. **Content State:** This column displays whether the course has content.
 - D. **Course Status:** This column will display either *AVAILABLE* or *ARCHIVED*, depending on the current availability of your course.
 - E. **Archive/Restore Switch:** The **[Archive/Restore switch]** changes based on your course's current status (D Column).
 - If the course is *AVAILABLE*, the switch will display a blue *ARCHIVE* button.
 - If the course is *ARCHIVED*, it will display a gray *RESTORE* button.

Courses Available						
Courses						
1	ENGL0119	020134-05-12	NO CONTENT	AVAILABLE	ARCHIVE <input type="checkbox"/>	
2	ENGL0219	NCBO FOR READING AND WRITING	021607-05-12	NO CONTENT	AVAILABLE	ARCHIVE <input type="checkbox"/>
3	ENGL-1301	COMPOSITION & RHETORIC I	018427-05-12	AVAILABLE	ARCHIVE <input type="checkbox"/>	
4	ENGL-1301	COMPOSITION & RHETORIC I	018427-05-12	AVAILABLE	ARCHIVE <input type="checkbox"/>	
5					ARCHIVE <input type="checkbox"/>	
6					ARCHIVE <input type="checkbox"/>	
7					ARCHIVE <input type="checkbox"/>	
Sandboxes						
1	SANDBOX:	SA_		ARCHIVED	<input type="checkbox"/> RESTORE	
2	SANDBOX:	SA_		ARCHIVED	<input type="checkbox"/> RESTORE	
3	SANDBOX:	SA_		ARCHIVED	<input type="checkbox"/> RESTORE	

3. Click the **[Restore]** switch next to any archived course to restore it. Once restored, the course status will change to *RESTORED*, and a green open lock icon will indicate completion. The course will then appear on your D2L dashboard for immediate use (a page refresh may be required for it to appear).



4. Click the **[Archive]** toggle-switch next to any **Available/Restored** course to archive the course. Once you have archived a course, the course's status will change to **Archived** and you will see a yellow closed lock icon indicating the process is complete. The course will then be cleared from your D2L dashboard (a page refresh may be required for it to appear).



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Click below to get started

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