

Google Forms vs Canvas Surveys

QUESTION TYPES: What kind of question(s) do you want in your survey?

	Google Forms	Canvas Surveys
Short Answer Text	✔ Text	✔ Fill-in-the-blank
Numerical Answer	✔ Text	✔ Numerical Answer
Paragraph Text/Essay	✔ Paragraph Text	✔ Essay
Multiple Choice	✔ Multiple Choice	✔ Multiple Choice
Multiple Answer	✔ Checkboxes	✔ Multiple Answers
True/False	✔ Multiple Choice	✔ True/False
Fill-in-Multiple-Blanks	✘ Not Available	✔ Fill-in-Multiple-Blanks
Matching	✘ Not Available	✔ Matching
Drop-down List	✔ Choose from a list	✔ Multiple Drop-down
Answer on a Scale (e.g., Likert)	✔ Scale	✘ Not Available
Date (e.g. calendar picker)	✔ Date	✘ Not Available
Time (e.g. time of day or duration)	✔ Time	✘ Not Available
File Upload	✘ Not Available	✔ File Upload
Formula	👉 Workaround - need to install g(Math) Add-on and add item as a Header	✔ Formula

FEATURES:

	Google Forms	Canvas Surveys
Logic Branching	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✔ Available with Multiple Choice or Choose from list 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✘ Not Available
Images and Videos	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✔ Images and videos can be added as a Header but are outside the question and may need to be (re)arranged. ✘ Answers cannot be images. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✔ Images and videos can be added within each question. ✔ Answers can be images.
Customize Survey Style	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✔ Themes available and can be customized. Images can be uploaded and added to Theme. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✘ Not available.
Likert	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✔ Likert questions present in a continuum. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 👉 Likert questions are presented in drop-down format rather than a continuum of radio buttons.
Grid	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✔ Multiple questions can be combined into one question that displays in grid format. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✘ Not available.
Security	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✔ Form settings can require Maricopa MEID login to access form, which may include an additional login if not on college network. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✔ Must be logged in to Canvas to access either a Google Form or Canvas Survey located in the course.

RESULTS AND GRADING:

	Google Forms	Canvas Surveys
Viewing and Downloading Results	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✔ Summary of results presented in bar graphs, pie charts, and text. ✔ View results in spreadsheet using Google Sheets, or download as Excel file for further analysis. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✔ Summary of results presented in bar graphs and text. ✔ Option to download .CSV file for further analysis with Excel.
Allow Anonymous Responses	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✔ Unless you include questions that ask for identifiers, like a name, section, etc., responses will be anonymous. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✔ Survey setting can be selected to have submissions be anonymous or not.
Track Anonymous Responses	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 👉 The only way to know if the student has taken the survey is to ask for the Submission Confirmation receipt. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✔ When viewing "Moderate this Survey," the student list will indicate whether it has been completed or not.
Grading	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 👉 To determine if student has completed the survey, either identifier questions will be needed, or the student will need to submit the Submission Confirmation receipt. 👉 If participation is graded, then that information may need to be entered manually into Canvas Grades. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✔ Survey can be created as a "Ungraded Survey" or "Graded Survey." "Ungraded Survey" will not have points and will not appear in Grades. ✔ "Graded Survey" can award points for submission and will appear in Grades automatically.
Forced Completion	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✔ Questions can be set as required and must be answered to successfully complete the survey. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✘ Questions do not have an option to make them required. ✘ Student can submit Survey without answering any questions!! If ungraded, it will show as completed and if graded, it will award points. Survey results will need to be viewed to insure all questions were answered by each student.
Number of Submissions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✔ Can be set to only one submission, or to unlimited submissions. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✔ Can be set to a specific maximum number of submissions.