

# Torus Product Roadmap

Snapshot as of 07 February, 2025

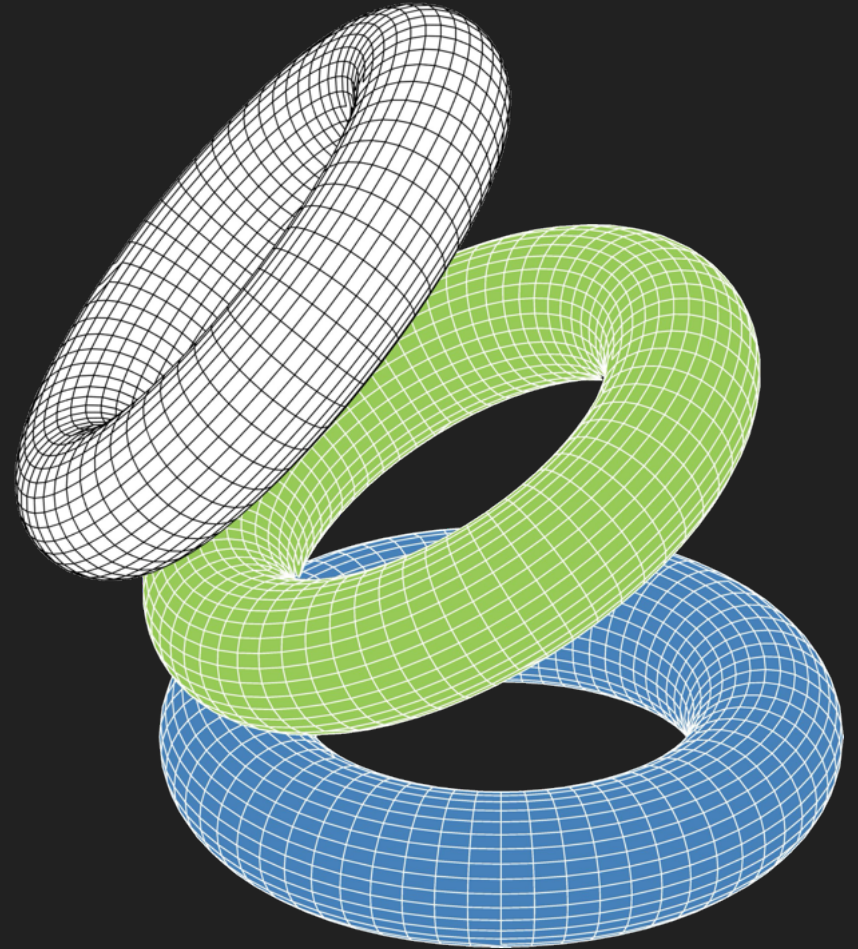


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# Product Vision

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# Torus Roadmap

# Torus v30

Release: April 7, 2025

Authoring Analytics Improvements

AI Trigger Points

Certificate Capabilities

# Torus v31\*

Release: Jul/Aug 2025

User Preview Improvements

LTI Activities

Scheduling Improvements

Score-as-you-go

# Torus v32

Release: Dec 25/Jan 26

Product / Organization Improvements

General UX Improvements: Admin Interface

Usage Analytics

Mobile Responsiveness

Instructor Analytics

# Torus v33

Release: Mar/Apr 2026

General UX Improvements: Author Interface

Advanced Pages Improvements

TBD



# Changes Since Last Roadmap Snapshot

- Torus v31 is now a four-month rather than three-month release, with a release date in late July or early August. Torus v32 is also a four-month rather than three-month release, with a release date in late December or early January. Quarterly releases will resume in 2026, with v33 scheduled for release in March or April 2026.
- User Preview roadmap item moved from Torus v30 to v31.
- Product Improvements roadmap item moved from Torus v30 to v32.
- General UX Improvements: Admin and Mobile Responsiveness moved from Torus v31 to v32.
- General UX Improvements: Author moved from Torus v32 to v33.
- Instructor Analytics added to Torus v33 up v32 because v33 is now a mid-semester release and we'll avoid making significant changes to the instructor interface mid-semester.
- General UX Improvements: Student and Student Analytics removed from roadmap snapshot - Torus v33 is now a mid-semester release, so we will not make significant changes to the student-facing interface mid-semester. These will most likely be in Torus v34 when that appears in the snapshot.
- Updates to release detail pages
- Changed "Demos and Documentation for Previous Versions" on p14 to be a general link to Torus resources



Possible statuses:

- Not started
- Research
- Design
- Ready for implementation
- Implementation

# Torus v30 Features

Release: April 7, 2025

Code Freeze: March 3, 2025

## Certificate Capabilities

**Status:** Implementation

**Interface:** Student / Author

Authors will be able to set achievement goals that will result in students receiving a certificate, delivered and tracked by Torus.

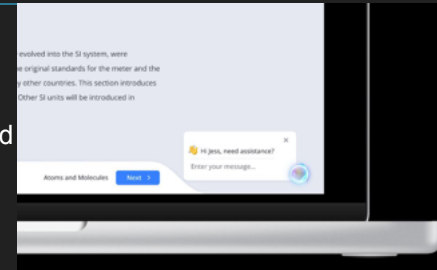


## AI Trigger Points

**Status:** Implementation

**Interface:** Author

A Torus author is able to introduce an AI Trigger point in an activity, page, or group element. When a student reaches the Trigger Point, the DOT AI assistant is activated and will interact with the student based on the author's prompt settings.

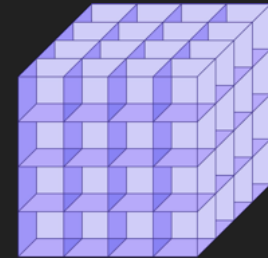


## Authoring Analytics Improvements

**Status:** Implementation

**Interface:** Author

We will implement a basic data warehousing solution that will allow more efficient data reporting and export in the authoring interface.



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- Not started
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- Design
- Ready for implementation
- Implementation

# Torus v31 Features

Release: July/August 2025

Code Freeze: July 7, 2025



## User Preview Improvements

**Status:** Implementation

**Interface:** Multiple

The capability to preview pages of a course as though logged in as a different type of user is key for course design, customer support, troubleshooting, and more. This feature will be overhauled to improve consistency and usability in every place that it appears in Torus.

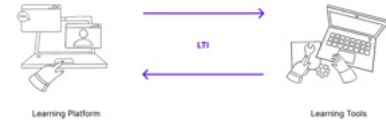
A rectangular button with a blue border, containing a document icon and the word "Preview" in blue text.

## Integrate LTI Activities

**Status:** Design

**Interface:** Author

The LTI (Learning Tools Interoperability) standard allows educational technologies to interact with each other. Torus already supports integration with any Learning Management System that supports LTI, such as Canvas and Blackboard, allowing Torus to “talk” with the other system. This feature will allow authors to place LTI-compliant activities directly onto Torus pages, instantly giving authors access to thousands of activities from third parties such as Pearson or McGraw-Hill as well as the ability to design custom activities.

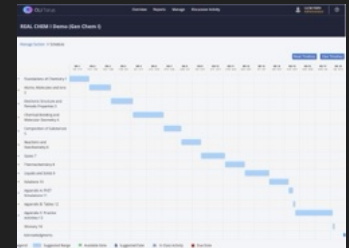


## Scheduling and Gating

**Status:** Design

**Interface:** Student / Instructor

Improve the usability and robustness of course section scheduling in Torus. This includes hard (enforced) schedules and soft (recommended) schedules, pacing, assessment settings, gating, student exceptions, and other features that allow instructors to control or guide student access to course content.



## Score-as-you-go

**Status:** Design

**Interface:** Author / Student

For score-as-you-go assessments, students will be scored based on each action taken on the page rather than upon submitting at the end.

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- Research
- Design
- Ready for implementation
- Implementation

# Torus v32 Features

Release: December 2025/January 2026

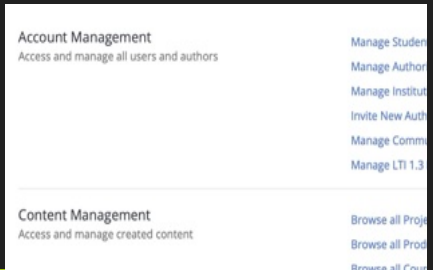
Code Freeze: November 10, 2025

## General UX Improvements: Admin Interface

**Status:** Design

**Interface:** Author

Our Torus administrators work diligently to support all Torus users, but features to make their lives easier often fall off the radar because there are many fewer of this type of user than other user types. It's time to give our admins some love! Our UX Designers will take a holistic view of what improvements will be most helpful to our admins as they help you.



## Usage Analytics

**Status:** Research

**Interface:** None

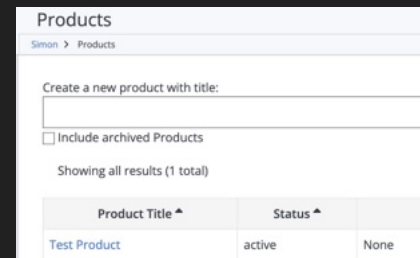
Usage analytics enhance the quantitative data available to Torus's design and implementation teams about how users interact with torus.

## Product / Organization Improvements

**Status:** Ready for Implementation

**Interface:** Author

The feature that allows authors to remix parts of courses, or tailor different versions of a course for different venues or audiences, is known as "Products" in Torus and was known as "Organizations" in the OLI Legacy System. This feature will be redesigned to improve the user experience and enhanced to include in-demand capabilities.



## Instructor Analytics

**Status:** Research

**Interface:** Instructor

Improvements to reporting and visualizations available in the instructor interface.

## Mobile Responsiveness

**Status:** Design

**Interface:** Student

A mobile responsive version of the new NG student interface. This is too big to be completed in a single release so a Part 2 will come later.

Possible statuses:

- Not started
- Research
- Design
- Ready for implementation
- Implementation

# Torus v33 Features

Release: March/April 2026

Code Freeze: March 2, 2026

## General UX Improvements: Author Interface

**Status:** Not started

**Interface:** Author

Our UX Designers will take a holistic look at how students interact with Torus at present and want to interact with Torus in the future. Tickets previously submitted through the (now outdated) GitHub process or the (current) Torus Triage process will be considered, though fresh user experience research will be the primary guide of what is implemented in this release.

## Advanced Pages Improvements

**Status:** Research

**Interface:** Author

The scope of research for this feature set will include both requests from current authors of advanced pages and a design effort to reduce the barrier of entry for advanced pages by increasing usability

Remaining items to be determined

# Torus Resources

[https://oli.cmu.edu/torus/the-torus-project#torus\\_resources](https://oli.cmu.edu/torus/the-torus-project#torus_resources)



- Upcoming and past release information
- Torus Community Meeting recordings and schedules
- Feature demos
- Documentation
- ...and more!

Do you have questions about the Torus  
roadmap? Do you want to discuss it in more  
detail?

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