

# Trent University Moves Learning to the Cloud with YuJa

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Established

251

Academic staff

70%

Web-based

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Ontario's Undergraduate

## Challenges

In an effort to provide a robust, scalable cloud-based solution, Instructional Technologist Jeff Gardiner compared several video platform solutions to their video platform solution at the time.

## About Trent University

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Because Canada requires data sovereignty—meaning data is subjected to the laws and governance within the nation it’s collected in—Gardiner sought a vendor that could support the requirement of storing data within Canada.

## Solution

Gardiner selected YuJa as their cloud-based video platform provider and decided to stay with Blackboard’s LMS, but move the latter from a premise-based solution to their cloud solution.

During their transition to Blackboard’s cloud, Gardiner and his team were able to leverage the help of YuJa’s Professional Services team to expedite the setup of custom Blackboard modules for their instance. These modules helped the university provide a deeper integration between the two systems.

In addition to providing the cloud-based solution Trent University needed, YuJa provided a lecture capture solution, software stations within classrooms and flipped, classroom-style recording. YuJa was also able to meet data sovereignty requirements by storing data in an AWS data center within Canada.

However, the main project challenge was that the team at Trent needed assistance moving off their current premise-based solutions, both their current video platform and Blackboard, without disrupting the learning process.

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Gardiner said

YuJa has also been used to provide Trent University with the ability to automatically schedule recordings and live stream special events, and guest visits from influential Canadian entrepreneurs such as Don Tapscott.

Lastly, YuJa assisted in the transition to YuJa, as well as ensuring Blackboard was uninterrupted as well.



# Highlights

01.

YuJa aids Trent University in the transition from premise-based solutions to cloud-based

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YuJa provides the complete solution needed to engage learners with interactive content

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YuJa moves learning to the cloud by utilizing Canada-based data center

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Deep Blackboard integration and assistance during the transition to the SaaS-based version of Blackboard

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