Configuring InScribe for edX

Setting up InScribe within edX is a multi part process: sharing a key/secret and configuring edX for LTI generally (for more info see: edX LTI setup docs, and configuring each LTI location/item.
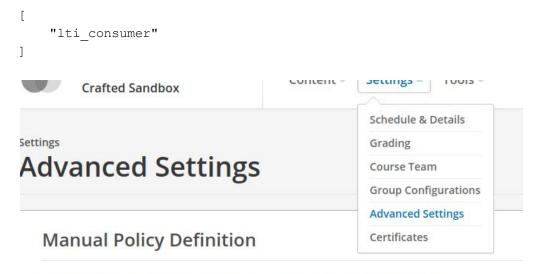
Get Your Secret and Key

Contact the InScribe team to get (or share) a secret and a key identifier for usage during the edX Tool Provider setup process. To request or share a secret and key - please email us at support@inscribeapp.com.

Note - We will share the actual secret via a separate secure mechanism.

Configure edX for LTI

Step 1 - Within Settings -> Advanced Settings:

1. First, ensure that "lti_consumer" is in the Advanced Module List.

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[
    "lti_consumer"
]
```

2. Add InScribe as an LTI tool in "LTI Passports" e.g.

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[
    "testuniversity.dU0J6csd:testuniversity.dU0J6csd:qmBvGgz3c3jSfNGny2LaKey2M"
]
```


Allow username and email

InScribe needs the LTI tool setup so that "Request user's email" and "Request user's username" settings show up in the LTI Consumer edit screens so they can be set to True. We use these values to provision/identify users when they launch InScribe and to send notifications via email (which can be opted out of). We do not share this (or any) information outside of InScribe.

By default, these settings which will show when adding an LTI item, are not available in Studio.

Adding Links to InScribe from edX

There are two types of links that you can create from your edX courses.

1. ## Embedded Homepage

   The Embedded Homepage launches a specialized view of InScribe that loads in an iFrame within the edX experience. When launching an embedded view, you have the option to "pre-filter" the content that the user will see by:
   - Channel
   - Topc
   - Channel + Topic

2. ## Link to InScribe in a Second Tab

   Linking out to InScribe launches a new tab in the user's browser. When linking out, you have several options for where the user lands initially within InScribe:
   - Homepage
   - Topic Page
   - Specific Channel
   - Specific Channel, pre-filtered to a specific topic
   - Specific Conversation or Resource

InScribe Custom Parameters

When adding links to InScribe, you will be asked to provide certain custom parameters depending on the type of link and whether you want to pre-filter the user's view. Here is a list of the custom parameters and where to find them:

Custom Parameter	What it is	Where to find it
inscribe_community_id	The unique identifier for your community in InScribe.	Your community id in the 16 digit number located in the URL when you are in your community in InScribe. In the example below - the inscribe_community_id is **1111222233334444** https://inscribe.education/main/inscribe/1111222233334444
inscribe_channel	The identifier for a specific channel (aka sub-group) in InScribe.	The channel id appears in the InScribe url (just after the community id) when you are in a specific channel. In the example below, your inscribe_channel is **fall-2019-cohort** https://inscribe.education/main/inscribe/1111222233334444/fall-2019-cohort

inscribe_category_code	The unique identifier for a topic.	The category code appears in the InScribe url when you are viewing a particular topic area. It is referred to as the "topic-slug". In the example below, your inscribe_category_code is **introduce+yourself** https://inscribe.education/main/inscribe/1111222233334444/questions?topicSlug=introduce+yourself
resource_type	Specifies whether the resource is a conversation or an item from the resources area.	If you are linking to a specific conversation, the resource_type is **questions**. If you are linking to a specific resource, the resource_type is **compositions**.
resource_id	Unique identifier for a conversation or resource in InScribe.	The resource id is a 16 digit number and can be found in the InScribe URL when viewing a specific conversation or resource. In the example below, the resource_id is **0000999988887777**. https://inscribe.education/main/inscribe/11112222333344444/questions/0000999988887777

In most cases, the InScribe URL will take care of encoding any special characters you use when creating channels and topics. If you run into any issues, please let us know via the InScribe Support Community.

Adding the "Embedded Community Homepage"

1. Using "Add New Component", select Advanced, then LTI Consumer. This will add an LTI Consumer to that location, which then needs to be Edited.

2. Click "Edit".

   Display Name: InScribe

   LTI Application Information: Your school is using InScribe communities to provide a place to go to find solutions to problems, share knowledge and ideas, and connect with experts and peers. InScribe uses your email address as a way to identify you and will send you email notifications about community activity unless you opt out of receiving them. InScribe respects your privacy and will never sell, rent, lease, or give away your information.

   LTI ID: [The identifier that was setup in the LTI Passport] e.g.
   `testuniversity.dU0J6csd`

LTI URL:
To launch to an overall community view:
This will show all the activity, across the community that the user has access to.

https://inscribe.education/ltilaunch?linktype=widget&landingarea=embeddedhomepage

To launch a view that is pre-filtered to a specific channel.
Note: This launch will also automatically add the user to the specified channel in InScribe. This is necessary for them to see and interact with the content for that channel.

https://inscribe.education/ltilaunch?linktype=widget&landingarea=embeddedhomepage-channel

Custom Parameters:
Required:
inscribe_community_id

Required if you are launching to a specific channel:
inscribe_channel

Optional:
inscribe_category_code

Customer Parameter Format
["inscribe_community_id=<your_community_id>",
"inscribe_channel=<your_channel_id>", "inscribe_category_code=<your_topic_slug>"]

LTI Launch Target: Inline
Button Text:
Inline Height: 1200
Modal Height: 100
Modal Width: 96
Scored: False
Weight: 1.0
Hide External Tool: False
Accept grades past deadline: True
Request user's username: True**
Request user's email: True **
Request user's full name: True **

*[**If these settings are missing they need to be enabled by an Administrator within edX]*

3. Click "Save"

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Adding Links to Launch InScribe in a New Tab

1. Using "Add New Component", select Advanced, then LTI Consumer. This will add an LTI Consumer to that location, which then needs to be Edited.
2. Click "Edit".

Display Name: InScribe

LTI Application Information: Your school is using InScribe communities to provide a place to go to find solutions to problems, share knowledge and ideas, and connect with experts and peers. InScribe uses your email address as a way to identify you and will send you email notifications about community activity unless you opt out of receiving them. InScribe respects your privacy and will never sell, rent, lease, or give away your information.

LTI ID: [The identifier that was setup in the LTI Passport] e.g.
`testuniversity.dU0J6csd`

LTI URL: Multiple url options depending on the desired landing location in InScribe.

Link to Community Homepage
https://inscribe.education/ltilaunch?linktype=link-full-window&landingarea=communityhomepage
Required Custom Param: inscribe_community_id

Link to Topic page
https://inscribe.education/ltilaunch?linktype=link-full-window&landingarea=all-content
Required Custom Param: inscribe_community_id, inscribe_category_code

Link to Specific Channel
https://inscribe.education/ltilaunch?linktype=link-full-window&landingarea=channel
Required Custom Param: inscribe_community_id, inscribe_channel

Link to Specific Channel, Pre-Filtered to a Topic
https://inscribe.education/ltilaunch?linktype=link-full-window&landingarea=channel
Required Custom Param: inscribe_community_id, inscribe_channel, inscribe_category_code

Link to Conversation or Resource
https://inscribe.education/ltilaunch?linktype=link-full-window&landingarea=conversationorresource
Required Custom Param: inscribe_community_id, resource_type, resource_id

Custom Parameters: [“inscribe_community_id=<your_community_id>”, “inscribe_channel=<your_channel_id>”, "inscribe_category_code=<your_topic_slug>"]

LTI Launch Target: New Window
Button Text:
Inline Height: 800
Modal Height: 800
Modal Width: 96
Scored: False
Weight: 1.0
Hide External Tool: False
Accept grades past deadline: True
Request user's username: True [** If these settings are missing they need to be enabled by an Administrator within edX]
Request user's email: True **
Request user's full name: True **

3. Click "Save"