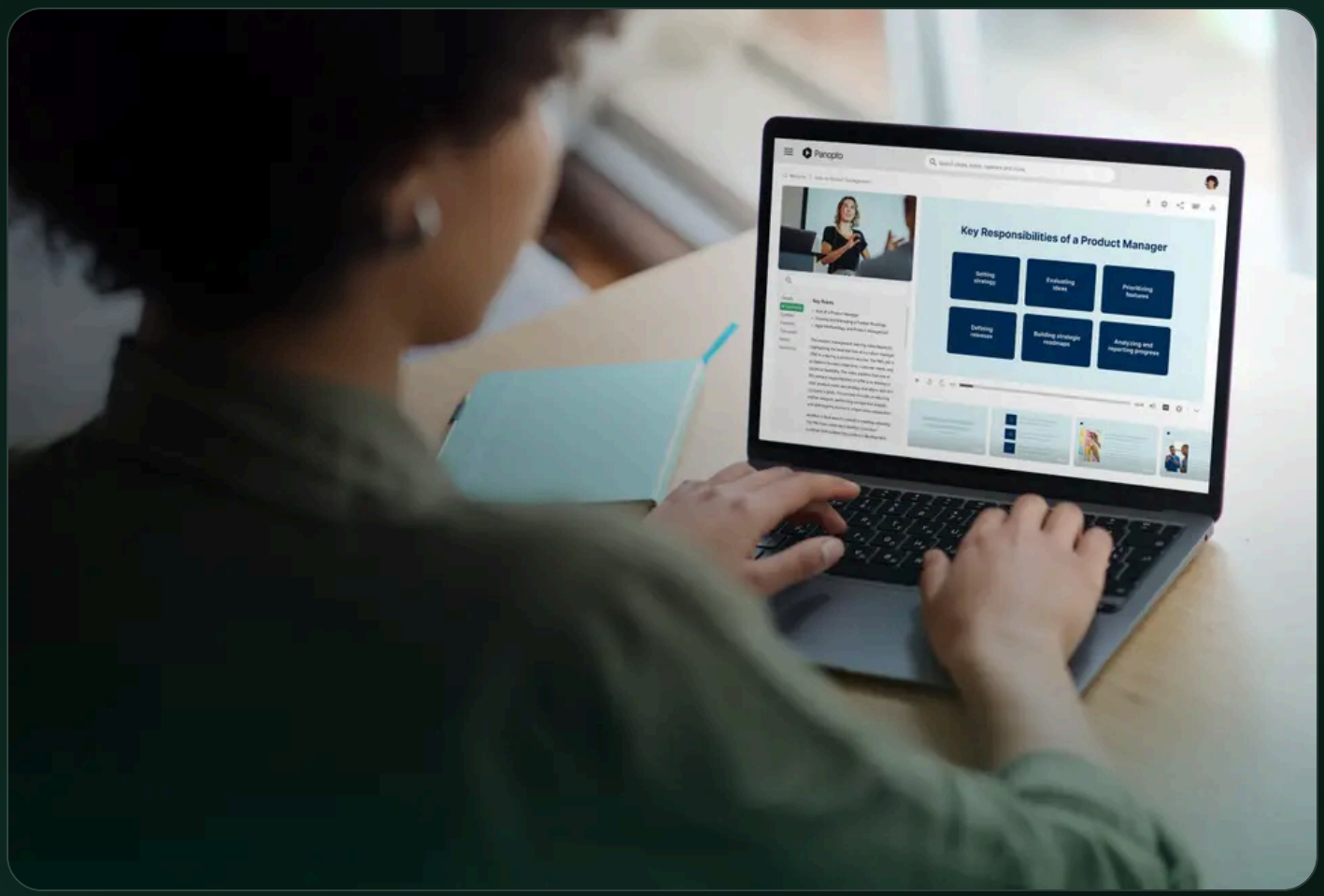
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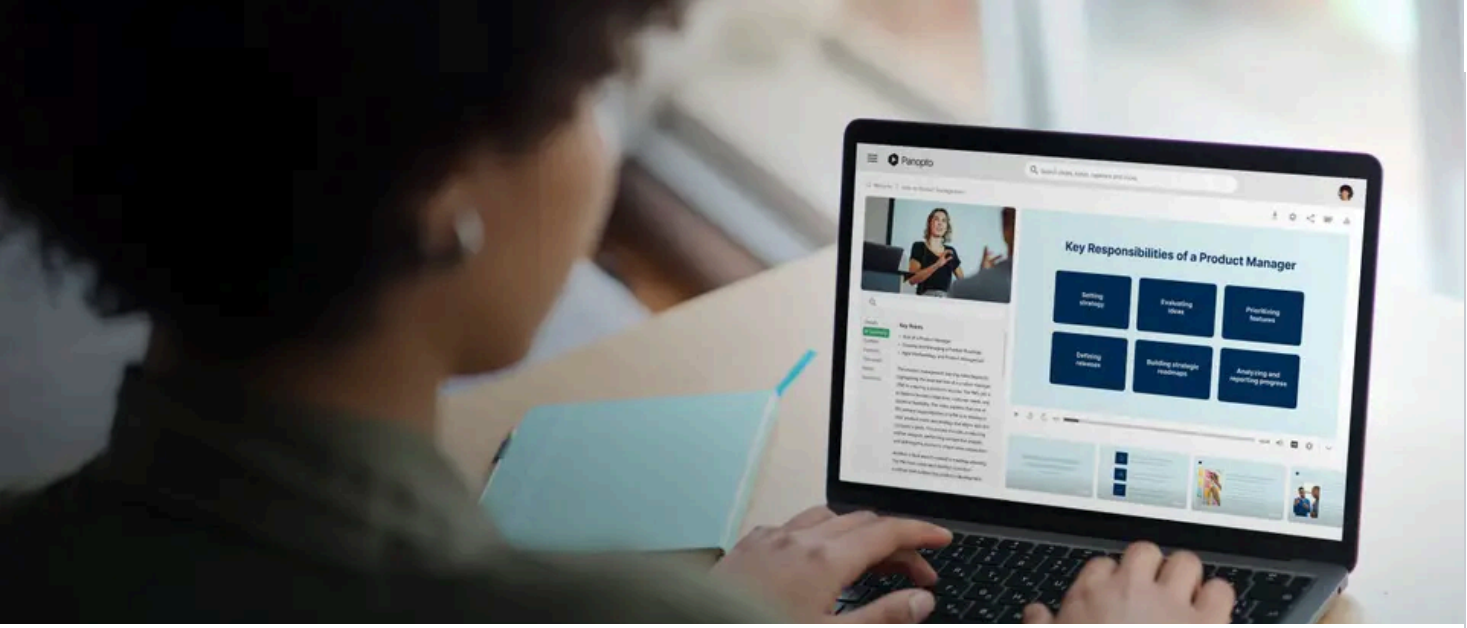
Enterprise video platform for lecture capture and training



Every plan, grade, refund rule and rival among screen recording and video tools, read from Panopto's own pages.

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Who made this guide, what else is on the site, and how to cite it

ToolGPA put this guide together from Panopto's own pages, its app-store listings and our grades. Every fact in it is on Panopto's page too, where it is kept up to date. Checked Nov 12, 2026.

Welcome

What it is, who it suits, its grades and the ten things to know first

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GPA, above 14 of the 133 other screen recording and video tools we grade

Panopto is a video content management platform sold to universities and enterprises for lecture capture, training and internal knowledge sharing. It combines recording tools, a searchable video library, AI captions and summaries, and LMS and meeting-tool integrations. Pricing is a custom quote for each organization.

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> **No store rating on record, and an institutional rollout takes setup.**
>
> From our grade for ease of use

To get you started, here are **7 things to know about Panopto**, taken from its own pages and our grades.

1 **Best for lecture capture and training video**

Every quote is scoped to the organization, so no price is shown anywhere.

2 **It runs on Web**

Web.

3 **Video CMS**

A central library with role-based permissions, adaptive streaming and support for 12 or more formats.

4 **Recording and editing**

A desktop and browser recorder, remote and multi-camera recording, and a smart editor with trimming.

5 **AI search and captions**

Search across spoken words and on-screen text, auto-captions in 20 or more languages, smart chapters and auto-generated summaries.

6 **A 2.0 GPA, above 14 of 133**

That is against the other screen recording and video tools we grade, on value, the free plan, features, ease of use and platforms.

7 **Keep it**

Nothing Panopto does is plain enough to make in a weekend. The 6 things listed below take a company.

Panopto at a glance

PRICING Paid	FREE PLAN No
FREE TRIAL None stated	RUNS ON Web
MADE BY Panopto	CATEGORY Screen Recording & Video
OUR GRADE 2.0 GPA, fair	

The report card

Best for lecture capture and training video

Panopto is a video library for universities and companies, with lecture capture, a searchable archive, AI captions and links to Canvas, Zoom and Teams. Every quote is scoped to the organization, so no price is shown anywhere.

TOOLGPA REPORT CARD	Panopto	Graded Nov 12, 2026

SUBJECT	GRADE	COMMENT
Value for money	C	No price is published; each quote is scoped to the organization. Graded in the middle until a number is on record.
Free plan and trial	F	No free plan and no trial are on record in the listing, so there is nothing to try before paying.
Features	B	Library, recording, search, captions and security. Nothing in the core job is missing, though AI video, Access AI and Connect are separate add-ons.
Ease of use	C	No store rating on record, and an institutional rollout takes setup.
Platforms and integrations	B	Web, with a desktop and browser recorder, and Canvas, Blackboard, Moodle, D2L, Zoom, Teams and Webex.
Grade point average		Fair, out of 4.0 **2.0**

An A is worth 4 points, a B 3, a C 2, a D 1 and an F nothing. The GPA is the average of the five.

Who Panopto is for

- ✓ Fits if you run lectures or training and want everything searchable
- ✓ Works for schools that already use Canvas, Moodle or D2L

Who it is not for

- ✕ Skip it if you want a price, as quotes are only given per organization
- ✕ Not for you if you're one creator, since it's sold to institutions
- ✕ Watch out: AI Video Studio, Access AI, Connect and Knowledge Insights are separate add-ons
- ✕ Watch out: the page doesn't say which operating systems the desktop recorder supports

Good to know

Good for

- ✓ Universities running lecture capture at scale
- ✓ Companies building a searchable library of training video
- ✓ Organizations that need LMS and SSO integration

Worth knowing

- ⓘ No price is published. The pricing page says every quote is scoped to the organization, so cost cannot be compared before talking to sales.
- ⓘ AI Video Studio, Access AI, Connect and Knowledge Insights are optional add-ons priced separately.
- ⓘ The pricing page does not state which operating systems the desktop recorder supports.

What it costs

Every plan, the free plan, ways to pay less and how prices have moved

Panopto's current pricing could not be confirmed from its own site.

> **No price is published; each quote is scoped to the organization.**
>
> From our grade for value for money

We could not confirm Panopto's current prices from its own site, so this guide lists no plans. panopto.com has them.

What it does

Its main features, where it runs, what it works with and who makes it

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Place it runs: Web

Enterprise video platform for lecture capture and training. Here is what it does, as its own site describes it, and what it covers: AI features, transcription, screen recording.

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Library, recording, search, captions and security.

From our grade for features

Video CMS

A central library with role-based permissions, adaptive streaming and support for 12 or more formats.

Recording and editing

A desktop and browser recorder, remote and multi-camera recording, and a smart editor with trimming.

AI search and captions

Search across spoken words and on-screen text, auto-captions in 20 or more languages, smart chapters and auto-generated summaries.

LMS and meeting integrations

Lists Canvas, Blackboard, Moodle and D2L, plus Zoom, Teams and Webex.

Security and accessibility

Says it meets SOC 2, GDPR and FERPA requirements, and supports SAML and OAuth sign-on, audit logging and caption editing. The page says it is evaluated against WCAG 2.1 AA.

Optional add-ons

AI Video Studio (Elai), Access AI, Connect and Knowledge Insights are priced separately.

Where it runs

- Web

What it works with

- Canvas
- Blackboard
- Moodle
- D2L Brightspace
- Zoom
- Microsoft Teams
- Webex

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Where it stands

Its grades against its category, and whether to keep it or make your own

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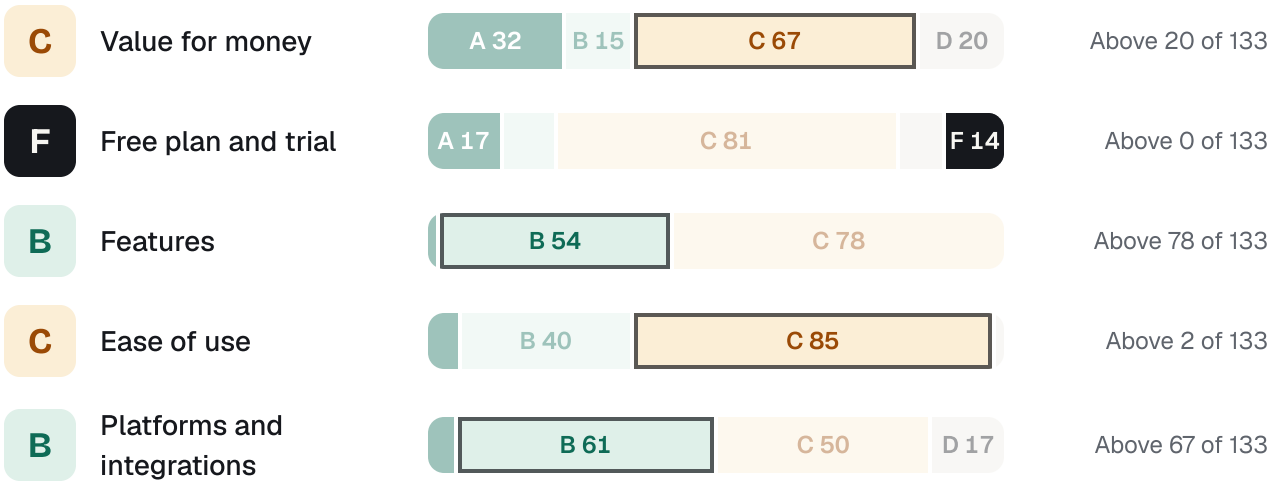
Other screen recording and video tools it is graded above

Panopto's GPA of 2.0 is higher than 14 of the 133 other screen recording and video tools we grade, and level with 27.

It stands best on features (B, above 78 of 133) and worst on free plan and trial (F, above 0).

Each grade against the category

Every bar is all 134 screen recording and video tools we grade, cut by the letter each got. Panopto's own letter is outlined.



Keep it, or make your own?

Whether this is something you could build for yourself with an AI app builder, and what you would give up.

Keep it

Nothing Panopto does is plain enough to make in a weekend. The 6 things listed below take a company.

That makes this kind of software worth paying for, not this one in particular: 92 of the 133 other screen recording and video tools grade higher.

What you could not

- ✕ Recording the screen with its sound, and somewhere to keep the video.
- ✕ Speech turned into text you can trust.
- ✕ It plugs into other products, Canvas, Blackboard and Moodle among them.
- ✕ AI features, unless you pay a model provider for each request yourself.
- ✕ What a company asks for before it lets staff use something: single sign-on, SOC 2 and roles and permissions.
- ✕ The depth: we grade its features B, which means it covers the whole job.

What this rests on. Panopto's listing: what it does, where it runs, what it plugs into and what it costs. It is a judgement about the kind of software this is. We have not built a replacement for it, and making your own means looking after it too. How we decide, and every tool's verdict.

The alternatives

The tools it is most often weighed against, side by side



Kaltura, Vimeo, Wistia, Vidyard and Brightcove

The 5 tools Panopto is most often weighed against, with where each one differs from it.

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Kaltura

Paid

Video platform for education, enterprise and media, sold by quote.

- Panopto also covers transcription and screen recording.
- Kaltura also covers video calls and webinars.

Panopto and Kaltura compared in full

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Vimeo

Free plan · from $12/mo

Ad-free video hosting with a customizable player and review tools.

- Vimeo has a free plan. Panopto does not.
- Only Vimeo lists macOS, iOS and Android apps.
- Vimeo also covers templates and video editing.

Panopto and Vimeo compared in full

Wistia

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Free plan · from $79/mo

Video hosting, recording and webinars for marketing teams.

- Wistia has a free plan. Panopto does not.
- Wistia also covers noise cancellation and video editing.

Panopto and Wistia compared in full

Vidyard

2.4 GPA

Free plan · from $59/mo

Video messaging, AI avatars and video hosting for sales teams.

- Vidyard has a free plan. Panopto does not.
- Only Vidyard lists macOS, Windows, iOS and Android apps.
- Only Vidyard lists a browser extension.

Panopto and Vidyard compared in full

Brightcove

2.0 GPA

Paid

Enterprise video hosting, player and live streaming platform.

- Panopto also covers transcription and screen recording.
- Brightcove also covers reports.

Panopto and Brightcove compared in full

Quick answers

The questions people ask about it, each answered in a line or two

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Questions, each answered in a line or two

The short version of everything above, for when you only need the answer. Each one is told in full in its part of the guide.

Is Panopto free?

No. Panopto is a paid product.

What platforms does Panopto work on?

Panopto is available on Web.

Does Panopto have an Android app?

No Android app was listed when its pages were read on Nov 12, 2026. Panopto is listed for Web.

Does Panopto have an iPhone app?

No iPhone app was listed when its pages were read on Nov 12, 2026. Panopto is listed for Web.

Is Panopto open source?

Panopto is not described as open source on its own site, as read on Nov 12, 2026.

What does Panopto integrate with?

Panopto's listing names Canvas, Blackboard, Moodle, D2L Brightspace, Zoom, Microsoft Teams and Webex.

Who makes Panopto?

Panopto is made by a company of the same name.

What are the alternatives to Panopto?

The closest alternatives to Panopto in our directory are Kaltura, Vimeo, Wistia, Vidyard and Brightcove.

How does Panopto compare with other screen recording and video tools?

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Could I make my own version of Panopto?

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Where this guide comes from

The prices, plans, platforms and features were read from Panopto's own pages on Nov 12, 2026, and the grades were given on Nov 12, 2026. Graded from this listing, whose facts were read from Panopto's own pages on 12 November 2026. Not based on using the product, and shorter than our full reviews.

Every tool we list gets five grades, A to F, each with its reason, and a GPA that averages them. How each is decided is at toolgpa.com/grades. This guide is ToolGPA's own work; it is not made, paid for or approved by Panopto. Prices change, so check panopto.com before you buy.

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Tools graded, in 95 categories

ToolGPA grades software the way a school report grades a pupil: five subjects, a letter for each with the reason written beside it, and a GPA that averages them. Prices, plans and platforms are read from each maker's own pages and dated, so you always know how fresh a figure is.

Every grade, review and ranking on ToolGPA is our own judgement. No company can pay for a grade or change one. Every tool on the site has a guide like this one, free to download and pass on. It all lives at toolgpa.com.

7,721	95	739	579
tools graded	categories	price changes on record	apps priced in 12 countries

What else is on toolgpa.com

Panopto, kept up to date

Everything in this guide, with prices and grades as they are today

toolgpa.com/tools/panopto

How grades are given

The rules behind every letter and every GPA

toolgpa.com/grades

Value charts

What each tool costs against what it scores, for every category

toolgpa.com/charts

Compare

Any two tools side by side, plan by plan

toolgpa.com/compare

Price changes

Every price rise and cut on record, each with its source

toolgpa.com/price-changes

Prices by country

What apps cost on the App Store in 12 countries

toolgpa.com/prices-by-country

Pay less

Every public discount: yearly billing, students, nonprofits

toolgpa.com/save

Keep or make

Which tools are worth paying for, and which you could build yourself

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