Planning to Use the Blackboard Grade Center

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Learning Objectives Participants will be able to...

- Planning your Grade Center
- Set up a New Columns
- Create and Set Categories
- Review your Grade Center Points
- Review and Reorganize your Grade Center Columns
- Setup a Smart View
- How to Use Rubrics
- Understand what a Student Sees My Grades

PLANNING

- Acknowledge that grading can be unique, and one model might not fit every course
- What is your grading policy?
 - 1 What are all of the assignments and assessments worth in your course?
 - 2 Based on how students perform on those, what grade will they earn.

Grading Policy 🐴

Students will be evaluated through the following activities.

Participation in class discussion & activities - 25%

Each module will have a discussion section in which we will share ideas and ask questions to better understand the topic and readings under study. Each class member is expected to participate in these discussions by posting an initial response based on the course readings and subsequently replying to the posts of classmates in order to engage in meaningful discourse. Your MINIMUM participation is three-posts-per-module (one initial post and at least two responses to classmates' posts). I anticipate that you will be compelled to respond much more frequently than this. In addition, your postings to the discussion should be contributed over the duration of the module, not within the same brief session, to receive the maximum score. Your initial post should be within the first two days of the opening of the module and your responses to classmates should be within the first week.

Module guizzes - 10%

At the end of each module (except Module 5), you will take a quiz (2 points each) on the course readings. These quizzes will help you to organize and formalize your understandings of the readings.

Experimenting with Web 2.0 Tools - 15%

Final Project - Building your online course - 40% (comprised of several assignments)

Personal Reflection Journals - 10%

In each Module, you will reflect on the module readings, the class discussion, and your personal construction of knowledge from the learning activities. You will write a concise summary of your reflections in a journal at the end of every module. This should be no more than 2 paragraphs and submitted on the last day of the module.

And the grade distribution for this course is as follows:

94 and above= A

90-93 = A-

85-89 = B+

80-84 = B

69-79 = C

Less than 69 = E

[Students on Pass/Fail must achieve a 70 or higher.]

All work should be submitted on time ... points will be deducted for work handed in late.

Instructor Response and Feedback

Students should expect to receive feedback on their assignment grades within one week after the due date.

- Benefits to the faculty member
 - Efficiency
 - Use this as the vehicle to collect and review all assignments and assessments
 - This can include other elements attendance/participation or activities with tools outside of Blackboard
 - Provide and share feedback to your students
 - All of this is retained and archived in your course
 - Saving time at the end of the semester for final grading let the grade center calculate the totals

- Benefits to the student
 - Ability to monitor their work and progress
 - Through **MY GRADES** Students can see all assignments and assessments
 - Students can have access to rubrics if available
 - They can track and confirm what they have submitted
 - They can see their score and feedback
 - They can see their running total for the course

y Grades		
All Graded Upcoming Submitted		Order by: Course Order \$
ITEM	LAST ACTIVITY	GRADE
Total View Description Grading Criteria		-
Course Information Quiz Test	UPCOMING	,n
Discussion - Module 1 Discussion	UPCOMING	. /5
Course Profile Assignment and Peer Discussion Discussion View Rubrid	UPCOMING	/5
Quiz - Module 1 Test	UPCOMING	<u>,</u> /2
Journal - Module 1 Journal	UPCOMING	- /2
Journal - Module 2 Journal	UPCOMING	- /2
Discussion - Module 3 Discussion	UPCOMING	- /5
Learning Objectives Table Assignment and Peer Discussion Discussion View Rubrid	UPCOMING	/10
Journal - Module 3 Journal	UPCOMING	- /2
Discussion - Module 4 Discussion	UPCOMING	- /5
Discussion - Module 4 Web Tools Discussion	UPCOMING	/15
Instructional Resources and Tools assignment Discussion View Rubrig	UPCOMING	- /5
Journal - Module 4 Journal	UPCOMING	- /2
Online Course Peer Review Discussion	UPCOMING	- /5
Journal - Module 5 Journal	UPCOMING	- /5
Journal - Module 6 Journal	UPCOMING	 /2

OTHER GRADING EXAMPLES

Example 1

Student mastery of course material will be assessed as follows:

Activity	% Grade
Class attendance & participation (includes Discussions)	15
Legal research exercise	10
Public Comment on proposed regulations	35
Community health coalition project	
1 page overview of your coalition	10
5 page policy brief on coalition's priority issue	20
Group Presentation on coalition policy	5
Voting exercise	5
TOTAL	100

Example 2

- 4 Exams each worth 15%
- Final project worth 20%
- Group study projects 10%
- Attendance and participation 10%

GRADE CENTER COLUMNS

Columns Created Automatically

- Every Test/Quiz that is "Deployed"
- Every Assignment created
- Every Discussion board where Grading is Enabled
- Every Journal where Grading is enabled
- Every Wiki where Grading is enabled

Assessment Tests and Assignments

- When added to a Content Area these will automatically create grade center columns
- Tests points based on test created
- Assignment set points upon creation

Discussion, Journals, Wiki

	anonymousiy. Those options will be set for you automatically.
Grade	○ No Grading in Forum
	Grade Discussion Forum: Points possible: 2
	○ Grade Threads
GRADE SETTINGS	
If a Due Date is set, subm	issions are accepted after this date, but are marked late.
Grade Journal	No grading
	● Grade : Points possible : 10
Grade Wiki	○ No grading
	Grade : Points possible : 6

Other Tools with Grading Capabilites

- Voicethread One column per Assignment, when using Assignment Builder
- Yellowdig One column for all activity
- Qwickly Attendance
- Perusall One column per assignment

Due Dates



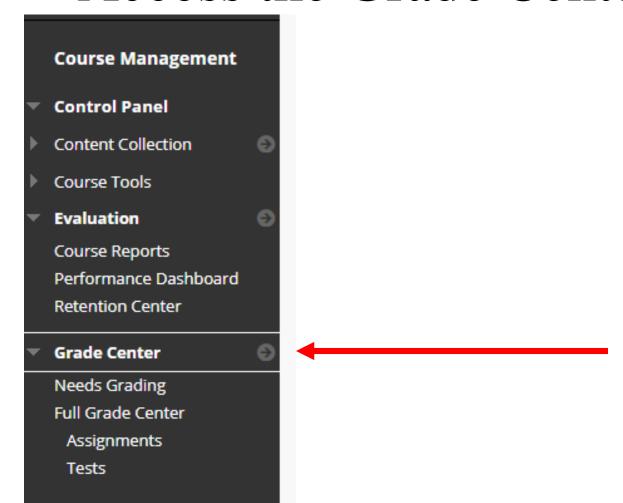
- Adding Due Dates to Gradable Items will
 - Add them to the Upcoming Items in Activity
 Stream
 - Add them to the Course Calendar, seen by all members of the course on the Calendar page
 - Be included in daily email notification

CREATE NEW COLUMNS TO GRADE OTHER THINGS

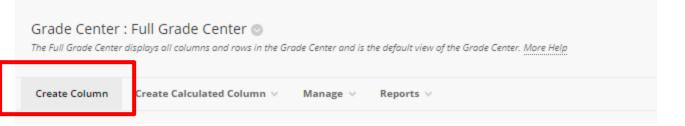
Like...

- In-person Presentation
- Performance
- Physical object (Artwork)

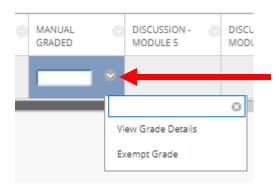
Access the Grade Center



Create Column



Use this to create a manual entry grade column

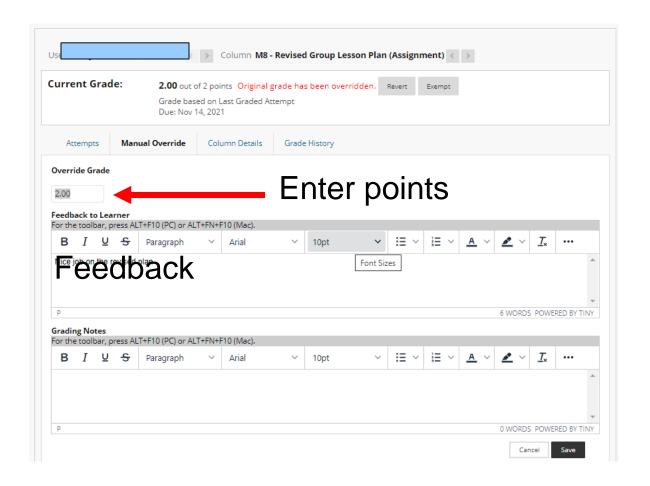


Click in the cell and type in number of points Hit enter.

or

Use View Grade Details

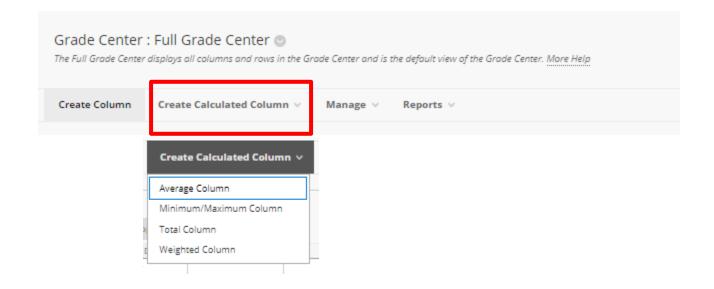
Grade Details



Or

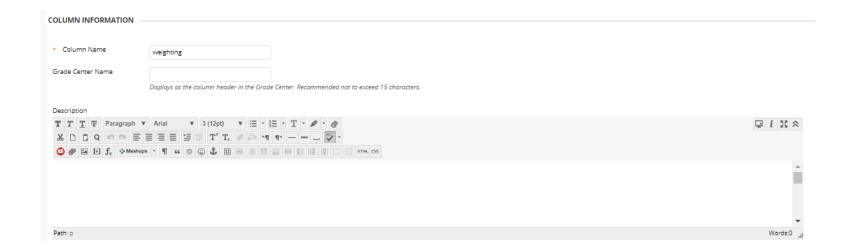
Weighted / Calculated totals

Create Calculated Column

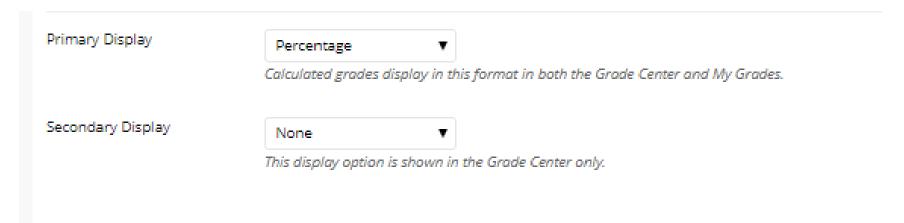


Use this to create column that either Averages, totals, or weights graded items.

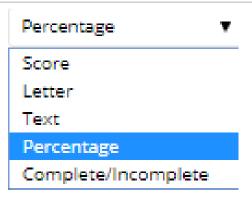
Provide Column Name



Select How Displayed



For weighted columns, please use the percentage.
Unless your new points for this adds to 100.



Choose Weighting Options

columns and categories to includ	de in this weighted grade and then set the weight percentages.		
n Weighted Grade			
Columns to Select:		Selected Columns:	
Weighted Total	4	Enter the weight percentage for each item. Percentages should add up to 100 percent.	
Total Quiz - Module 1 Quiz - Module 2 Quiz - Module 3		★ % Category: Discussion	•
Quiz - Module 4	₹	Weight Columns: Equally ○ Proportionally	
Column Information Categories to Select:		Drop Grades OR Use only the Drop Highest Grades Highest Grades Highest Value to Calculate Highest Value to Calculate	
Survey Test Blog		Drop Lowest Grades	
Journal Self and Peer		→ % Category: Assignment	0
/	Y	Weight Columns: ⊚ Equally ⊙ Proportionally	
Category Information		Drop Grades OR	

Column Options

Select I

Select No for the first option to	exclude this Grade Center column from calculations.
Include this column in Grade Center calculations	Yes No
Show this column to students	Yes ○ No
Show Statistics (average and	○ Yes ⊛ No

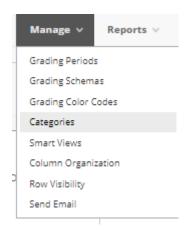
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OPTIONS

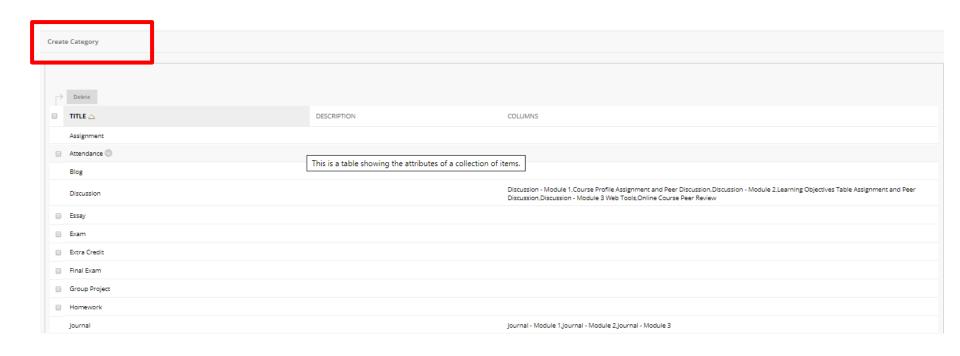
CREATE CATEGORIES USED FOR WEIGHTING OR DROPPING GRADES



Manage Categories



Create Category

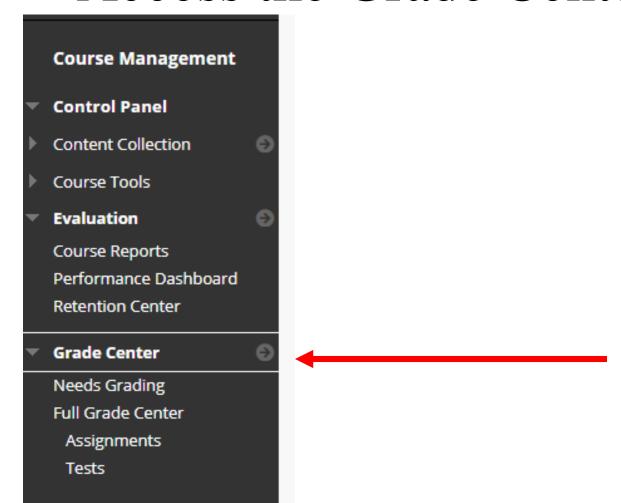


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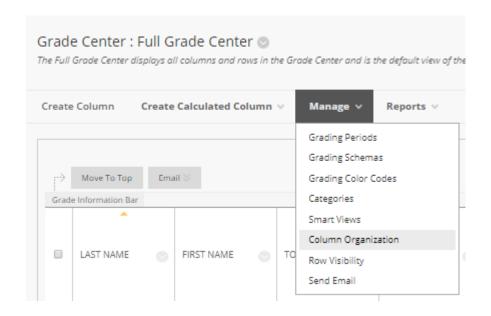
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* Name	
Description	

REVIEW YOUR GRADE CENTER POINTS

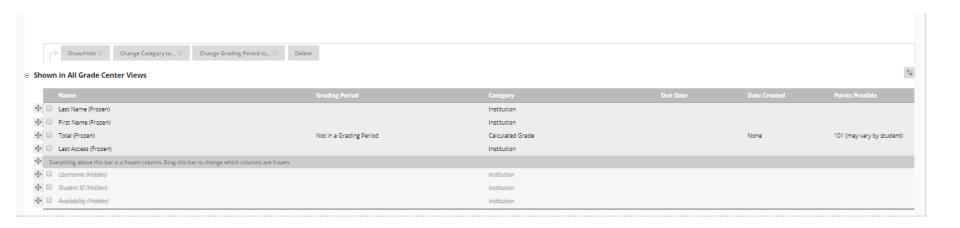
Access the Grade Center



Manage, Column Organization



Default Grade Center Columns



Graded Items - Points

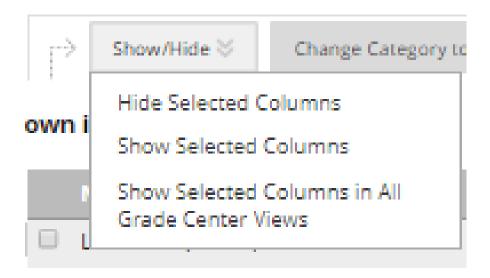
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Course Information Quiz	Not in a Grading Period	Test	None	Dec 1, 2013	1
Discussion - Module 1	Not in a Grading Period	Discussion	None	May 18, 2016	5
Course Profile Assignment and Peer Discussion	Not in a Grading Period	Discussion	None	Jul 9, 2020	20
Quiz - Module 1	Not in a Grading Period	Test	None	Mar 11, 2013	5
Journal - Module 1	Not in a Grading Period	Journal	None	May 13, 2019	5
Discussion - Module 2	Not in a Grading Period	Discussion	None	May 18, 2016	5
 Learning Objectives Table Assignment and Peer Discussion 	Not in a Grading Period	Discussion	None	Jul 9, 2020	20
Module 2 - Voicethread on COI	Not in a Grading Period	No Category	None	None	5
Quiz - Module 2	Not in a Grading Period	Test	None	Mar 18, 2013	5
Journal - Module 2	Not in a Grading Period	Journal	None	May 13, 2019	5
Discussion - Module 3 Web Tools	Not in a Grading Period	Discussion	None	May 18, 2016	0
Journal - Module 3	Not in a Grading Period	Journal	None	May 13, 2019	5
Online Course Peer Review	Not in a Grading Period	Discussion	None	Jul 9, 2020	20
■ Test - All Question Types	Not in a Grading Period	Test	None	Jul 14, 2020	0

REVIEW AND REORGANIZE YOUR GRADE CENTER COLUMNS

Graded Items – Due Dates

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Show/Hide Selected Columns

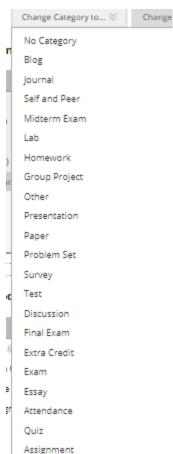


Note, this is hiding them from you the instructor, not hiding them from the student.

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Set Categories on Selected Columns



Reordering Graded Items

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Drag and Drop Items to Reorder

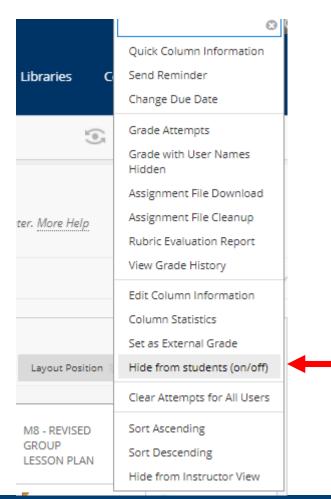
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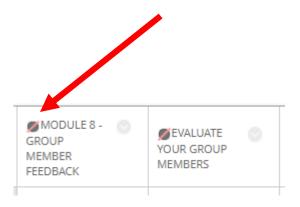
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Cancel Submit
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OTHER GRADE CENTER FEATURES

Hide columns from students

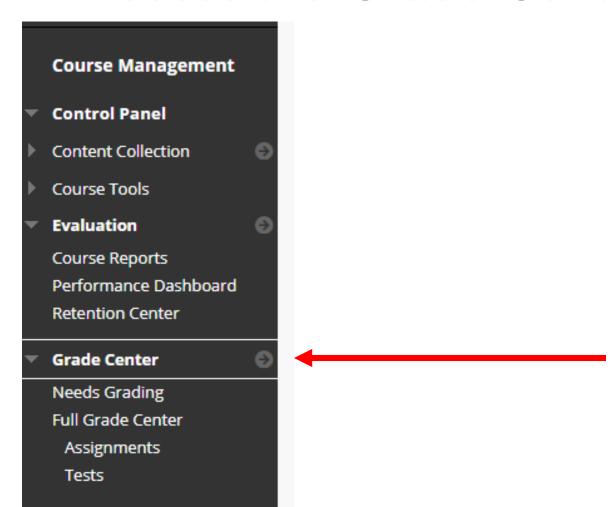




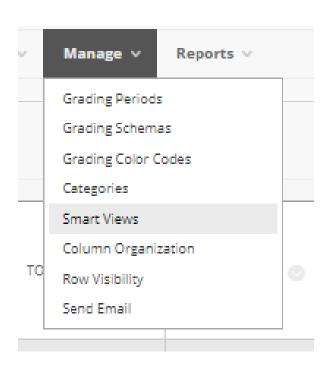
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OPTIONS	
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Include this column in Grade Center calculations	Yes No
Show this column to students	Yes No ✓
Show Statistics (average and median) for this column to Students in My Grades	○ Yes ® No

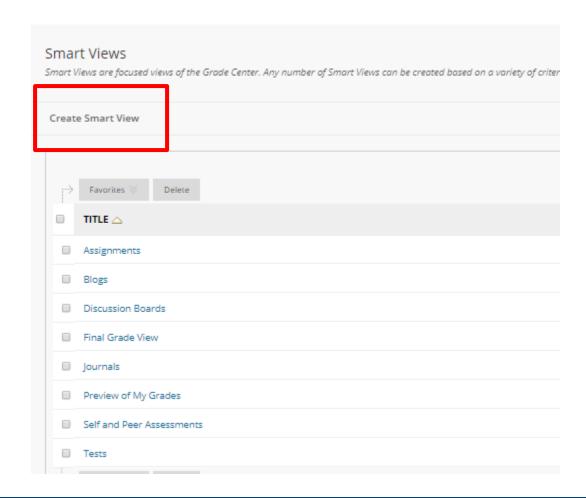
Access the Grade Center



Manage – Smart Views



Create a Smart View



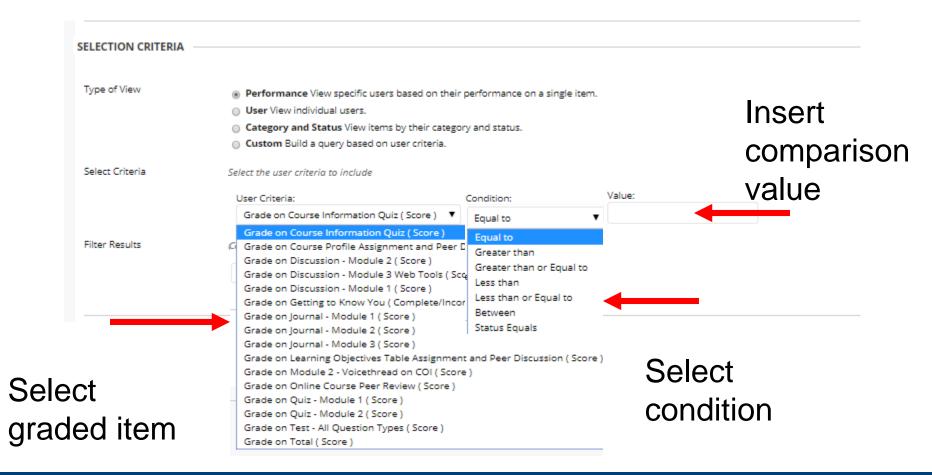
Provide a Name and Description

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SMART VIEW INFORMATIO	N
* Name	
Description	
Type	Custom
Add as Favorite	

Choose a Type

- Performance
 - View users based on performance of a single graded item
- User
 - View selected users
- Category and Status
- Custom

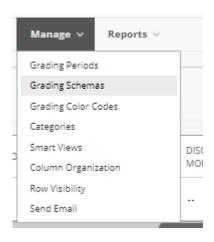
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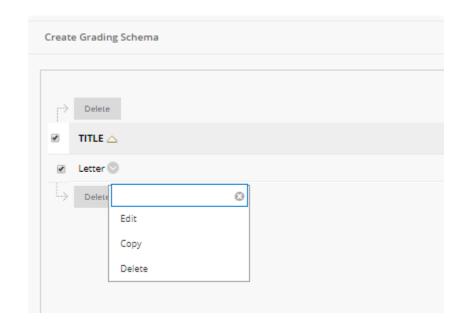


Custom Build

SELECTION CRITERIA —								
Type of View	 Performance View specific users based on their performance on a single item. User View individual users. Category and Status View items by their category and status. Custom Build a query based on user criteria. 							
Select Criteria	Select the users' grade criteria to benchmark.							
	1 User Criteria: Condition: Availability ▼ Equal to ▼ ® Available / ○ Unavailable Add User Criteria							
Formula Editor	Change the operators and insert parentheticals to edit the formula. 1 Manually Edit							
Filter Results	Columns to Display in Results: Columns Used in Criteria ■ Include Hidden Information							

Grading Schemas



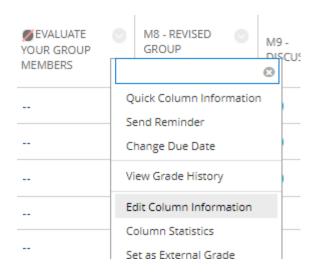


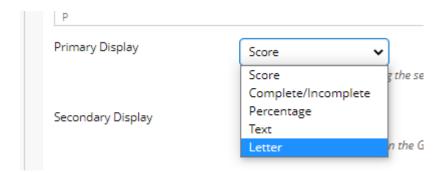
Edit Letter Grading Schema

Nar	ne		l	Letter					
escrip	tion								
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irade	es Scored E	Between		Will Equal	Grades Manually Entered as	Will Ca	lculate :	as	Insert Rows
97	% and	100	%	A+	A÷	98.5	96		€
94	% and I	Less Than	97%	A	A	95	96	Delete Row	€
90	% and I	Less Than	94%	A-	A-	91.5	96	Delete Row	
87	% and I	Less Than	90%	B+	B+	88.5	96	Delete Row	+
84	% and I	Less Than	87%	В	В	85	96	Delete Row	E
80	% and I	Less Than	84%	B-	B-	81.5	96	Delete Row	E
77	% and I	Less Than	80%	C+	C÷	78.5	96	Delete Row	€
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74	% and I	Less Than	74%	C-	С-	71.5	96	Delete Row	
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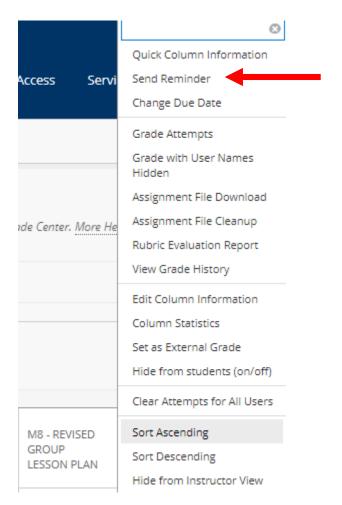
Make sure that you review this and update based on your course and UR standards

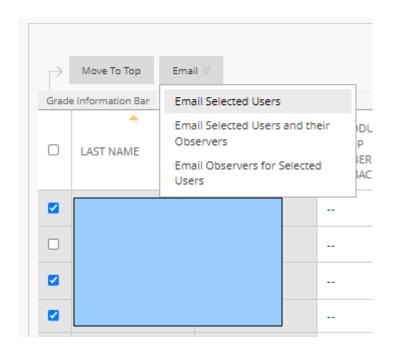
Setting a Letter Grade



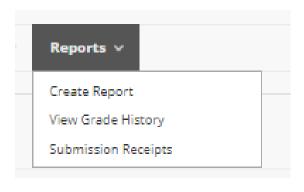


Email from Grade Center





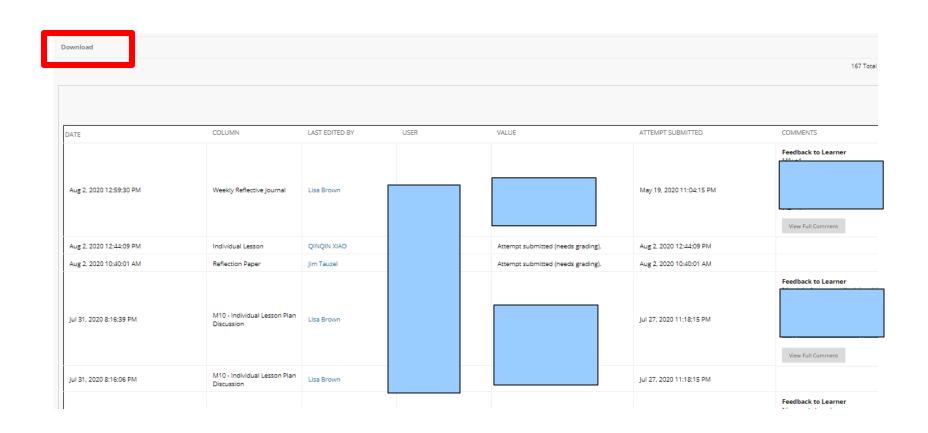
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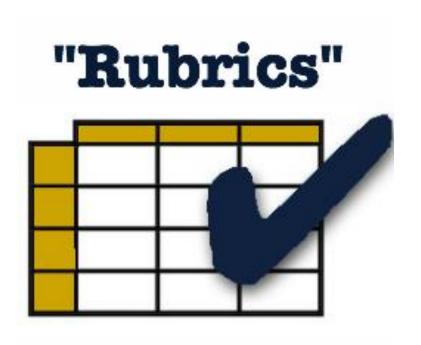
Submission Receipts

CONFIRMATION NUMBER	STUDENT	SUBMITTER	COURSEWORK	DATE	SUBMISSION	SIZE
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c0e71ca1-cf4d-4755-917f-0d9be15fdfb5			Reflection Paper	Aug 2, 2020 10:40 AM	EDE484 Final Reflection Paper JTauzel.pdf	127.8kb
dc0709b2-2369-49ef-943c-2c83d640e9cd	CIETI DUI EC		M8 - Group Project - Revised Plan	Jul 25, 2020 11:35 PM	Lesson Plan-Flipping the Classroon-EDE 484 online.docx	44.6kb

Grade History



Using Rubrics



- Consistency in Grading
- Efficiency in Grading
- Sharing with students prior to submission can impact performance

Create a Rubric

Course Tools

Achievements

Announcements

Blogs

Contacts

Course Calendar

Date Management

Discussion Board

Glossary

Journals

Qwickly Attendance

Rubrics

Send Email

Tasks

Tests, Surveys, and Pools

Wikis

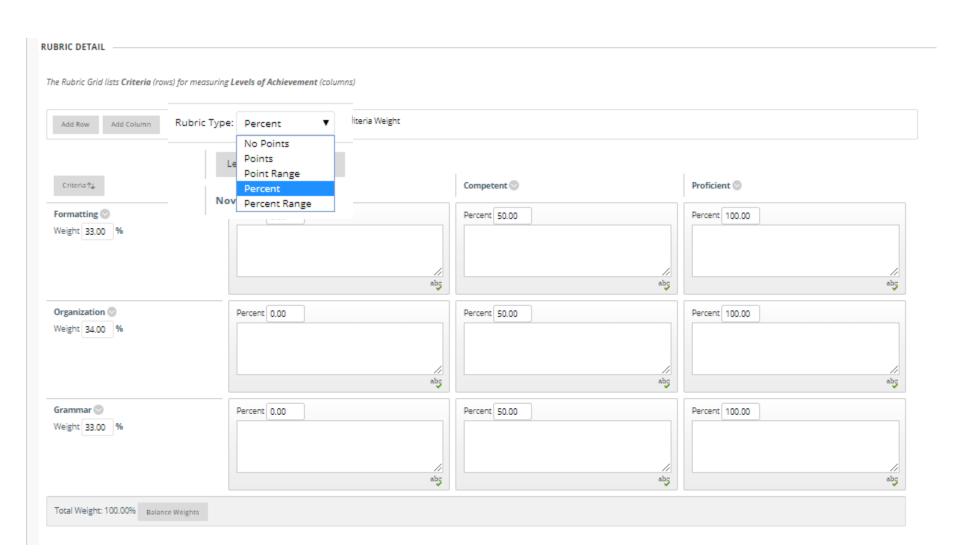
- From the Control Panel
- Click on Course Tools
- Click on Rubrics

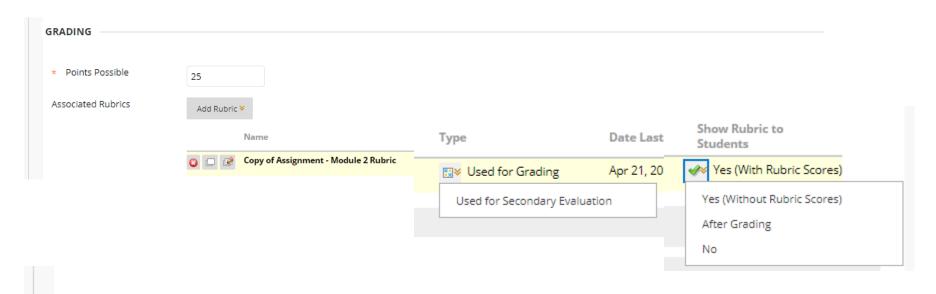
Assignment Rubrics

Edit Assignment: Assignment - Module 1 Assignments are a form of assessment that adds a column to the Grade Center. Use the Grade Center to assign grades and give feedback to each student. More Help Indicates a required field. ASSIGNMENT INFORMATION Name and Color Assignment - Module 1 ■ Slack T T T T Paragraph + Arial + 3 (12pt) + = T T -% D D Q M M ≡ ≡ ≡ ≡ ≡ ≡ T* T, Ø ₺ M ¶ - - - -Place instructions for assignment here. Note, this is currently set for 1 point. You will need to determine how many points you want to assign to this assessment. It is also set to a single attempt - a student may only submit once. Path: p ASSIGNMENT FILES Attach File Browse My Computer Browse Content Collection **DUE DATES** Submissions are accepted after this date, but are marked Late. Due Date Enter dates as mm/dd/yyyy. Time may be entered in any increment. GRADING * Points Possible Associated Rubrics Add Rubric ¥ Select Rubric Date Last Edited Show Rubric to Students Create New Rubric **Submission Details** Create From Existing

Assignment Rubrics

Create Rubric Rubrics are made up of rows and columns. The rows correspond to the various criteria of an assignment. The columns correspond to the level of achievement expressed for each criterion. A description and point value for each cell in the rubric define the evaluation and score of an assignment. You can create as many rubrics as needed. More Help * Indicates a required field RUBRIC INFORMATION * Name Description Character count: 0 RUBRIC DETAIL The Rubric Grid lists Criteria (rows) for n chievement (columns) Points Point Range Show Criteria Weight Add Row Add Column Criteria 1 Competent 💮 Proficient Percent o Percent 50 Percent 100 Formatting Weight 33.00 % Organization 💮 Percent 0 Percent 50 Percent 100 Weight 34.00 % Percent 0 Percent 50 Percent 100 Grammar 💮 Weight 33.00 % Total Weight: 100.00% Balance Weights Click Submit to proceed. Click Cancel to go back.





ASSIGNMENT INFORMATION

Points Possible

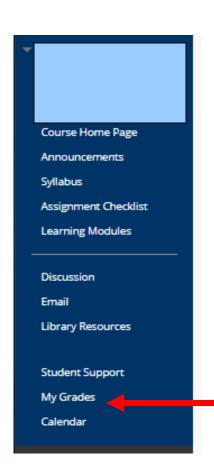
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View Rubric

What the Student Sees If YES chosen

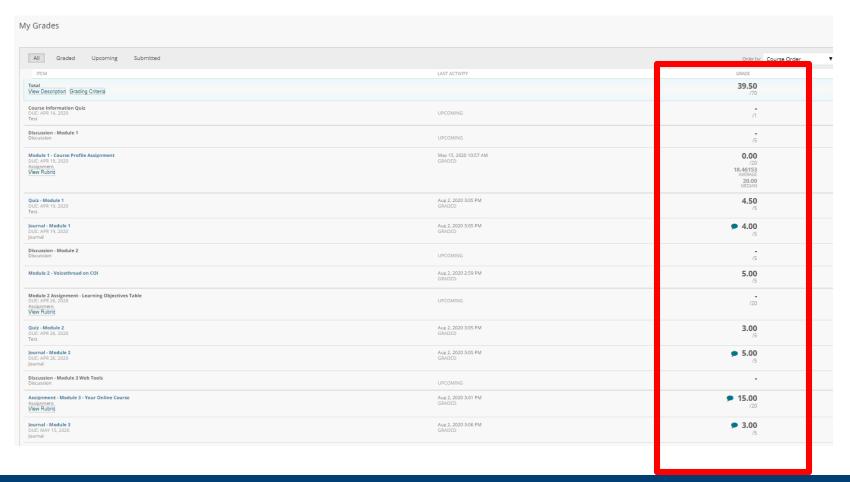
MY GRADES

Student Access to Grades

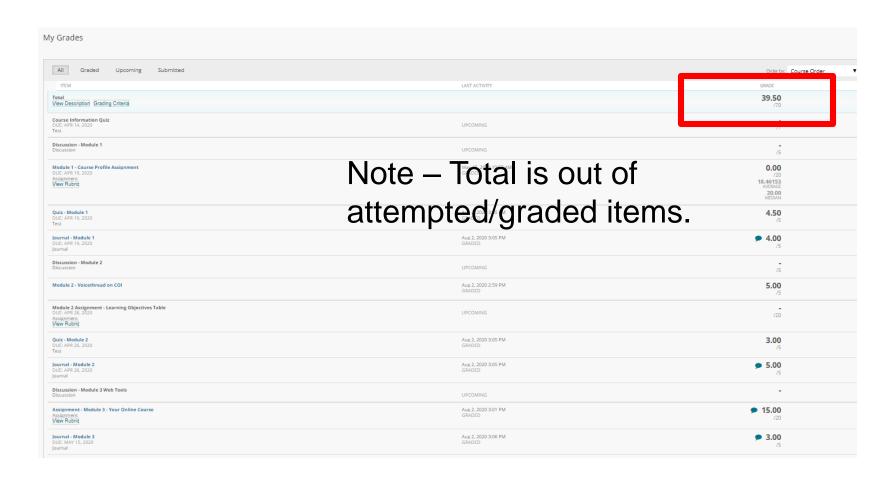


Make sure this is part of your course menu, available to students

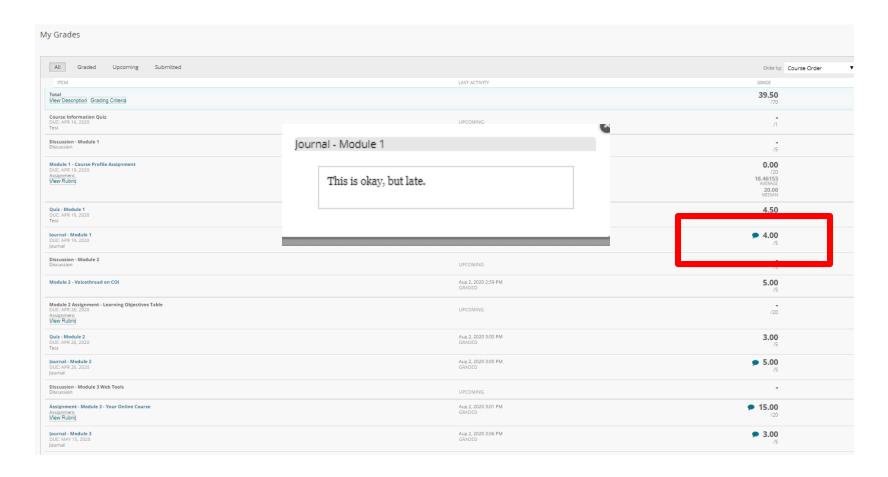
List of Items in Course



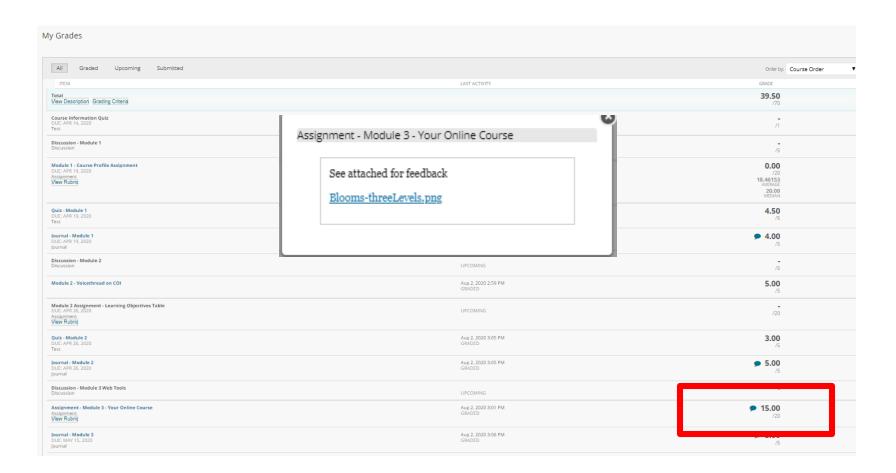
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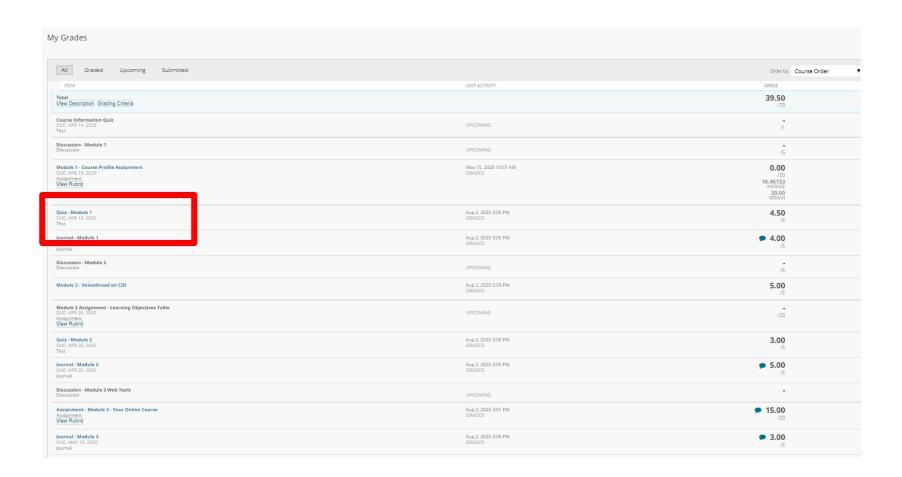
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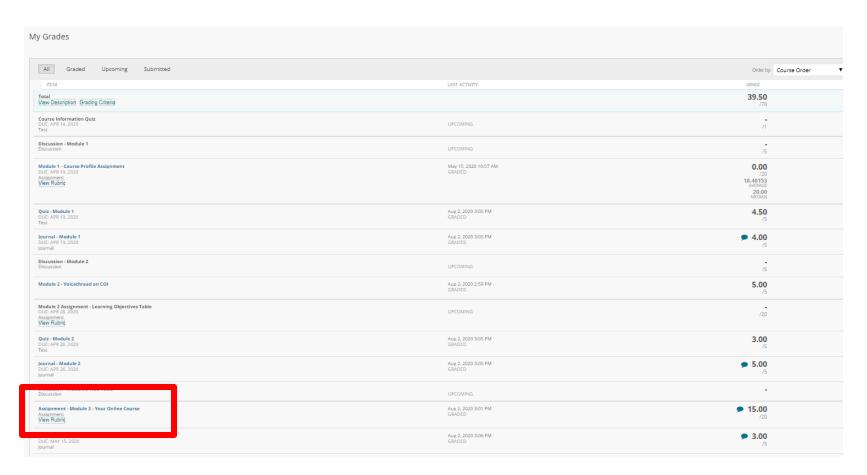
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Click Links to Review Submissions



Click View Rubric to Review Points Distribution



RETURN TO EXAMPLES

Example 1

Student mastery of course material will be assessed as follows:

Activity	% Grade
Class attendance & participation (includes Discussions)	15
Legal research exercise	10
Public Comment on proposed regulations	35
Community health coalition project	
1 page overview of your coalition	10
5 page policy brief on coalition's priority issue	20
Group Presentation on coalition policy	5
Voting exercise	5
TOTAL	100

How to Setup

- Make each individual item listed the number of points noted in the list.
- Make the attendance, discussions add up to 15.
- Grade Column Total should add up to 100

Example 2

- 4 Exams each worth 15%
- Final project worth 20%
- Group study projects 10%
- Attendance and participation 10%

How to Setup

- Make 4 Categories
 - Exams, Final, Project, Participation
- Assign Graded Items into Categories
- Set up Weighted Column

Additional Workshops in August

- **-** Add Interactivity to your Class: Poll Everywhere
- **+** How-to Pre-Record and Deliver Video Content to your Students
- **How to Facilitate a Live, Interactive Zoom Session**
- Collaborative Annotation using Perusall
- **-** Building Community in your Course with Yellowdig
- ***** Enhancing your Discussion and Student Interaction using VoiceThread
- **-** Improve the Accessibility of your Course with Ally
- How to Use Padlet: A Digital Discussion Board
- Qwickly Tools for Attendance and Course Management
- Enhancing your Discussion and Student Interaction using Harmonize
- Repurpose, Reuse & Upcycle Video Content with PlayPosit! (Sept)

Getting Help

Online Documentation

https://tech.rochester.edu/services/learning-management-system/

Upcoming Workshops

http://rochester.edu/online-learning/

Reach Out!

Blackboard Support Digital Instructional Design Support

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THANK YOU QUESTIONS?