Blackboard Help

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Assignment Grade Settings

⚠️ A special note from Product Management on COVID-19: The team has been taking several pre-emptive infrastructure measures to help prepare for significantly increased traffic as a growing number of schools move to fully online courses. We will continue to monitor closely and take any additional steps required to provide a seamless service.

About the Grading section   👍 👎

On the *Create Assignment* page, the *Grading* section is organized into three groups:

1. *Submission Details*: Select general settings, such as who the assignment is for and how many times students can submit it.
2. *Grading Options*: Set up anonymous and delegated grading.
3. *Display of Grades*: Select Grade Center column settings such as whether or not to show the grade to students.

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✱ Points Possible   100

Submission Details

Grading Options

Display of Grades

1. Submission Details   👍 👎

Select options about the student submissions:

Assignment Type: Select individual, group, or portfolio. You can require a portfolio as the assignment submission.

⊖ More on assigned portfolios

Number of Attempts: Allow single, multiple, or unlimited attempts. If you select more than one attempt, you can also decide which attempt to use in the Grade Center.

⊖ More on multiple assignment attempts

Plagiarism Tools: If your institution has enabled the SafeAssign service, select the plagiarism tool options you want to use. If SafeAssign isn't available, these options don't appear.

⊖ More on SafeAssign

2. Grading Options

You can choose to grade assignments anonymously and assign other graders to help you with your grading tasks.

Enable Anonymous Grading

⊘ Doesn't seem familiar? Jump to the "Ultra" help about enabling anonymous grading.

You can enable anonymous grading to eliminate grading bias for high-stake assignments. You can hide student names during grading, making them anonymous. You aren't unduly influenced by a student's previous performance, class participation, conflicts, race, gender, or perceived student aptitude. This practice can also contribute to the student-instructor relationship because students are assured that grading was unbiased.

After you select the *Enable Anonymous Grading* check box, choose when you want to automatically remove students' anonymity:

- *On specific date*: Provide the date you want to disable anonymous grading. The system automatically begins removing anonymity before the end of that date.

- *After all submissions are graded*: Provide a due date. After students submit attempts, the due date passes, **and** you've graded the attempts, student anonymity is disabled.

To manually disable anonymous grading, clear the *Enable Anonymous Grading* check box.

⊘ More on anonymous grading

Enable Delegated Grading

⊖ Doesn't seem familiar? Jump to the "Ultra" topic about enabling parallel grading.

Grading and feedback from more than one grader promote reliability, improve consistency, and remove bias. You can assign specific users in your course to grade particular sets of student assignment submissions. For large classes, you can divide up the grading tasks among teaching assistants and other graders.

On the *Create Assignment* page, choose the graders and final graders to help with grading tasks.

A. In the *Grading Options* section, after you select the check box for *Enable Delegated Grading*, you can view a list of potential graders and final graders. Use the *Show* menu to filter the list.

B. Use the menu next to each grader's name to assign submissions to grade:

- *All Submissions*
- *Random Set*: Grade a random set of the selected number of students. If you assign multiple graders to grade a random set, students are distributed evenly before any student is included in multiple random sets.
- *Groups*: Grade all students who are members of the selected course groups.
- *None*

C. All instructors in a course can see what other graders are assigned. If you want other roles to also view scores, feedback, and private notes added by others, select the check box in the *View Settings* column. Students **do not** see the private notes anyone adds.

D. In the *Reconcile Grades* column, choose who can determine the final grade and feedback for each student. All instructors can reconcile grades. Instructors can allow teaching assistants and graders to reconcile grades. Users who reconcile grades are also called **final graders**.

To help with the accuracy and consistency of grading, ask all delegated graders to use a rubric when they provide grades.

⊕ More on delegated grading

Watch a video about anonymous and delegated grading

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Video: Enable Anonymous and Delegated Grading on an Assignment explains how to use these features when you create an assignment.

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3. Display of Grades

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Choose how grades will appear in the Grade Center and to students in *My Grades*. Only your *Primary* selection appears to students.

You can also choose to include the assignment score in grading calculations.

Based on the assignment requirements, you can choose **not** to show the grade and statistical information to students in *My Grades*.

Display of Grades

Display grade as | Primary | and | Secondary
✓ Score
Letter
Text
Percentage
Complete/Incomplete

None ⇅

☑ Include in Grade Center grading calculations

☑ Show to students in My Grades

☐ Show average and median statistics for this column to students in My Grades

ULTRA: Enable anonymous grading   👍 👎

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You can enable anonymous grading for assignments and tests that don't contain the built-in question types. You may add only text and files to anonymously graded assignments and tests.

Student names are hidden while you grade and are revealed only after you post all grades.

You can't hide or show student names **after** students open an assignment or test or submit attempts.

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✕ **Assignment Settings**

Details & Information

Due date

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☐ Allow class conversations
You can't allow class conversations because student names are hidden

☐ Randomize questions

☐ Randomize answers

☐ Collect submissions offline
You can't collect submissions offline because student names are hidden

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Grading & Submissions

Grade category

Assignment   ▾

Attempts allowed

1   ▾

Grade using

Points   ▾

Maximum score

100

Anonymous grading

☑ Hide student names

When you hide names, you can't add questions, reuse questions, or select these settings:

• Allow class conversations

- Collect submissions offline
- Assign to groups

⊕ More on anonymous grading

ULTRA: Enable parallel grading

⊕ Doesn't seem familiar? Jump to the "Original" topic about enabling delegated grading.

You can have specific users in your courses grade sets of assignment submissions. Graders can't see other graders' grades, feedback, annotations on student files, and rubrics. They grade in **parallel** and provide **provisional grades**. The default grading roles include instructors, graders, and teaching assistants.

The instructor role is the default final grader or **reconciler**. The reconciler reviews the provisional grades and determines the final grades that students see. You can assign the ability to reconcile grades to one or more other users with grading privileges and remove your ability to reconcile.

⊕ More on parallel graders and reconcilers

You can enable parallel grading and assign graders when you create an assignment. You can also enable parallel grading even after students make submissions. The system randomly assigns graders you choose so each student has two graders for the assignment. The grading workload is distributed evenly among the graders. Graders can only open the submissions for the students assigned to them.

Students aren't notified that the assignment has more than one grader unless you inform them. Students see only the final grade and feedback the reconciler provides.

⊢ *At this time, you can't create groups or add questions when parallel grading is enabled. Graders, teaching assistants, and course builders can't enable or disable parallel grading.*

In the *Assignment Settings* panel, select the check box for *Two graders per student* in the *Parallel grading* section.

Select the *Assign graders* link that appears. On the *Assign Graders* page, you can choose your graders and reconcilers.

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Assignment Settings

Details & Information

Due date

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☐ Allow class conversations

☐ Randomize questions

☐ Randomize answers

☐ Collect submissions offline

Grading & Submissions

Grade category

Assignment

Attempts allowed

1

Grade using

Points

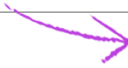**Maximum points**

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Anonymous grading

☐ Hide student names

Parallel grading

☐ Two graders per student

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Assign graders