

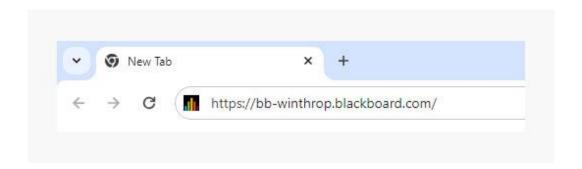
Blackboard Ultra Quick Reference Guide

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How To Sign In To Blackboard

1. Go to https://bb-winthrop.blackboard.com/



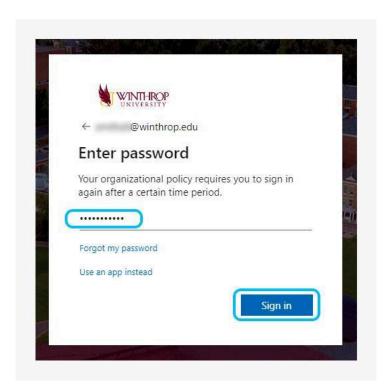
2. Click the Secure Login With Winthrop Email (SSO) button.



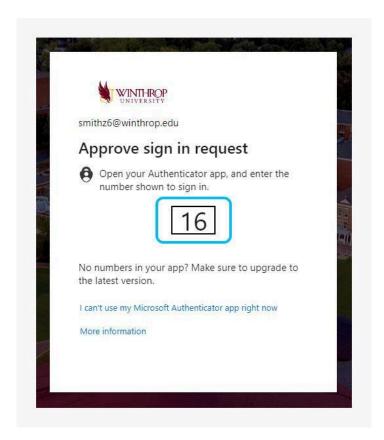
- 3. Type in your Winthrop email address and press *Next*.
 - Pro-Tip: Your Winthrop email address is your Winthrop username + @winthrop.edu



4. Type in your Winthrop Password and press Sign In.

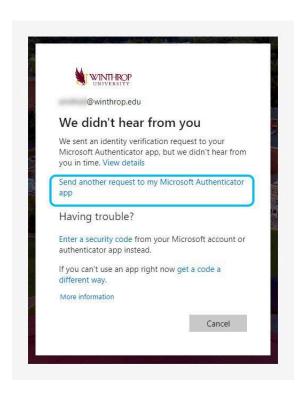


- 5. Download the Authenticator app on your phone. Follow the instructions in this short video to download Microsoft Authenticator. You will only need to do this once. If you have already downloaded the Authenticator App, skip to step 6.
- 6. Approve your sign in request.
 - A. Note the number that pops up on the screen.
 - In this example the number is 16, but the system will give you a randomly-generated number to type into your Authenticator app.

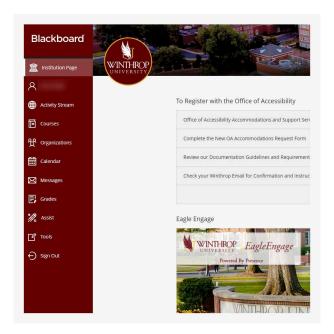


- B. Get your phone out and go to the Microsoft Authenticator app.
- C. Inside the Authenticator app, type in the number that popped up on your screen during sign in (step A). Then confirm the sign in with your chosen PIN number.

D. The number expires after about a minute. If this happens before you can approve your sign in, it's no problem. Just request a new number by pressing **Send another request to my Microsoft Authenticator app**.

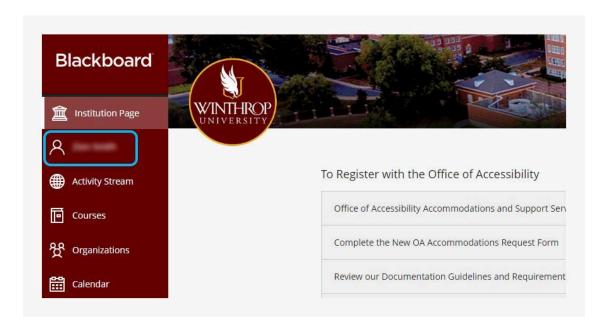


7. Once you approve the sign in request successfully, Blackboard will open. You're in!

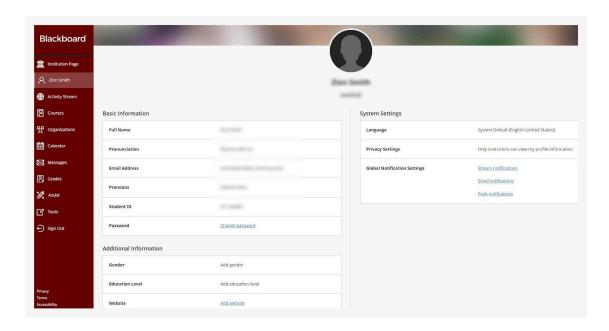


How To Add A Picture To Your Blackboard Profile

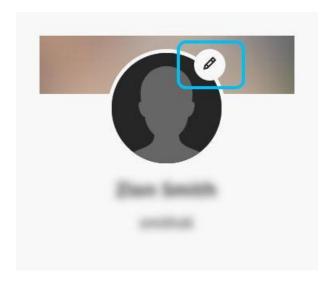
- 1. The *Institution Page* is the first screen you see when you sign in.
- 2. To get to your profile, click your first and last name on the left sidebar.



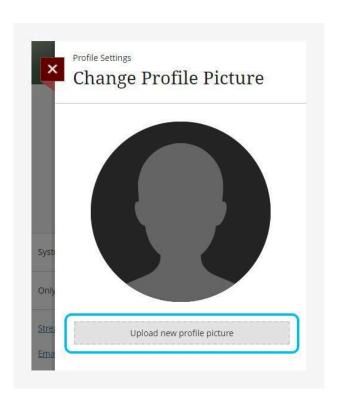
3. This will take you to your profile where you can see and add details about yourself.



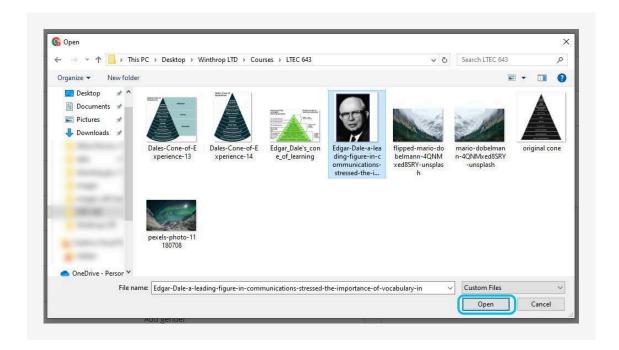
4. To add a picture to your profile, click the pencil above the profile picture. You may need to hover over the profile picture or click on it for the pencil to appear.



5. Click the *Upload new profile picture* button.



6. Find a nice picture of yourself on your computer and press *Open*.

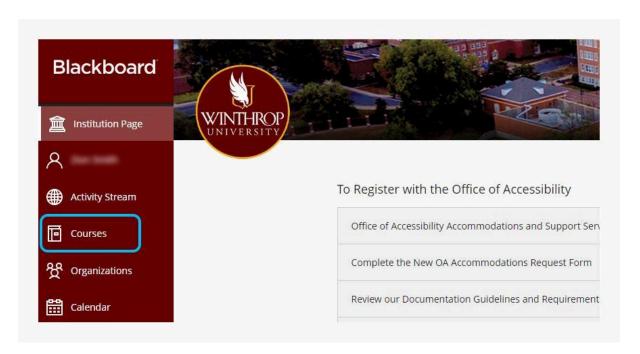


7. Done. Click the X to close the profile menu.

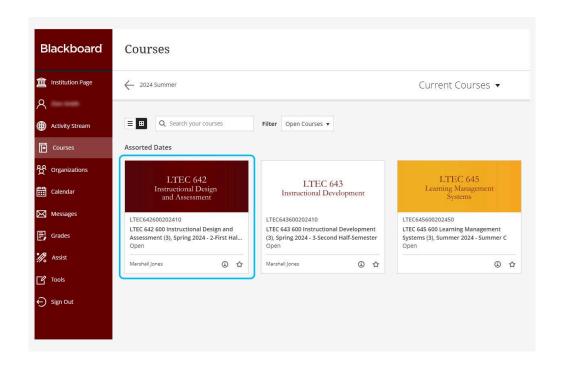


How To Find Your Classes

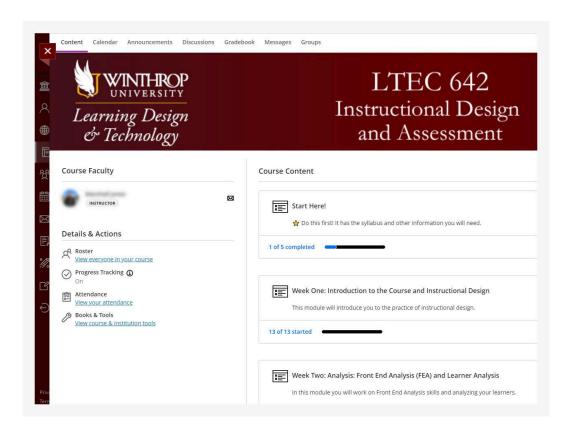
1. From the Institution page (the home screen), click *Courses* on the left sidebar.



2. The Courses page contains your current classes. Just click the course you want.



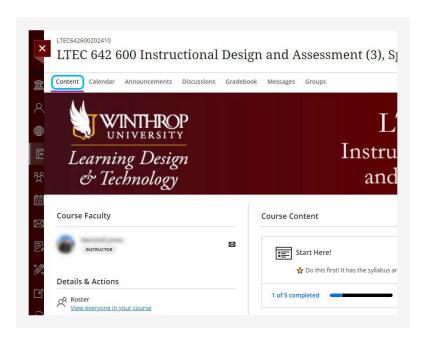
3. Your course will open.



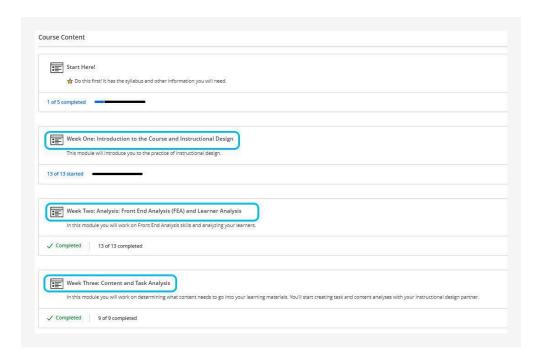
How To Navigate Your Course Materials

How Content Is Organized

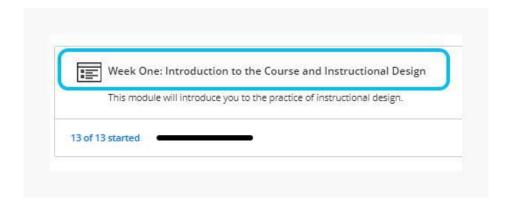
1. Your course opens in the Content tab. The Content tab is where your course materials live.



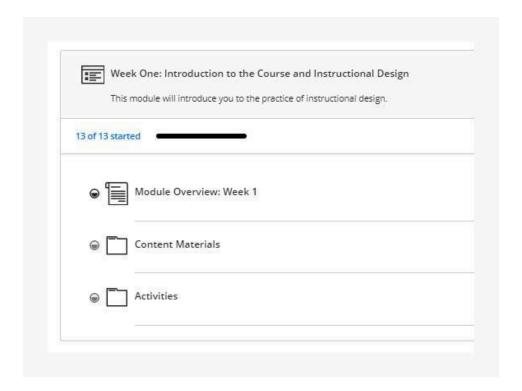
2. Your course is organized in Modules by week.



3. To open a Module, just click it.

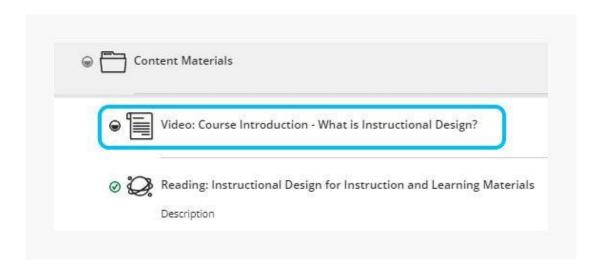


- 4. Inside Each Module is:
 - A. A Module Overview: a list of things that you will learn in the module.
 - B. **Content Materials:** readings, videos, interactive elements, and more.
 - C. **Activities:** practice activities, discussions, quizzes, and links to assignments.

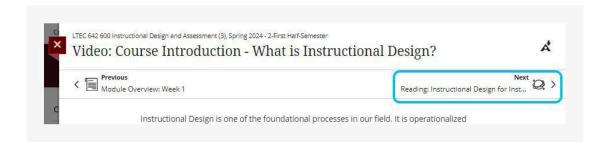


How To Move Through A Module

1. To move through a Module, start by pressing the first item on the list.



2. Once finished with the item, click the *Next* button on the top right to go to the next item on the list. (There is also a *Previous* button on the top left that will take you backward).

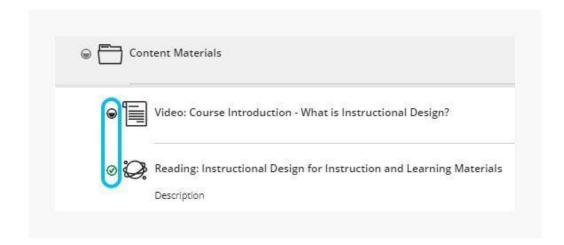


3. When ready to close the item, press the X button on the top left.



How To Check Off Items

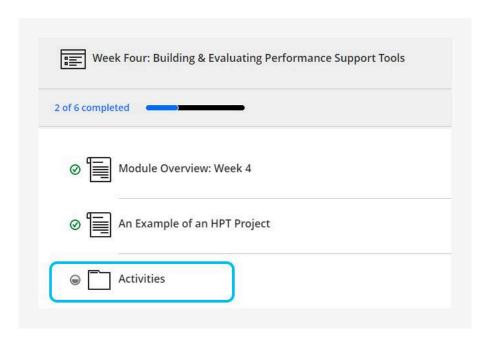
There is a little circle to the left of each item. The circle is empty if the item has never been opened. Once it is opened, the circle becomes half-full. To check it off, just click it.



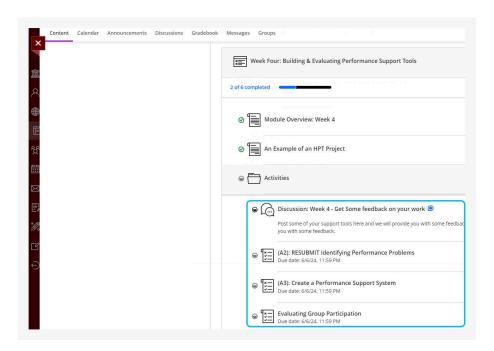
Assignments

How To Find Your Assignments

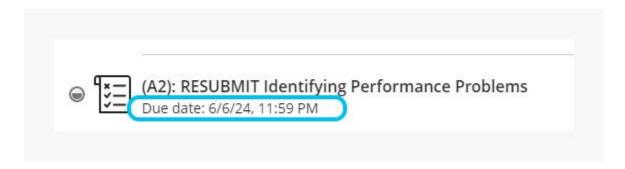
1. Go to the *Activities* folder inside a Module.



2. Your assignments for the week will display.

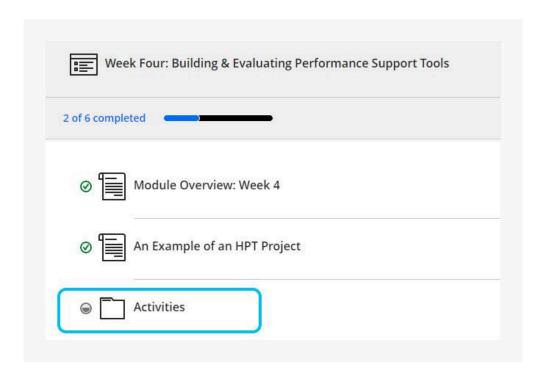


3. Note the due dates on your assignments.

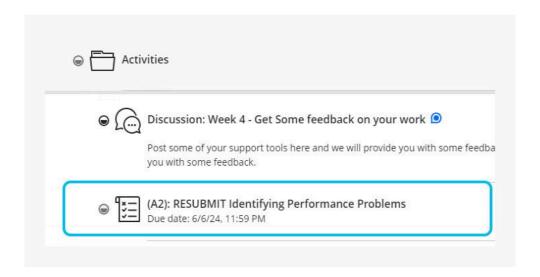


How To Submit An Assignment

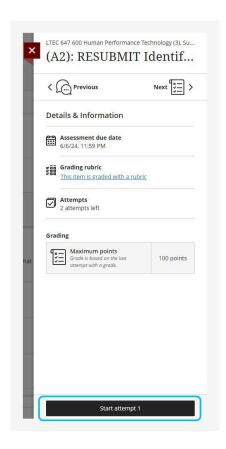
1. Go to the **Activities** folder of a Module.



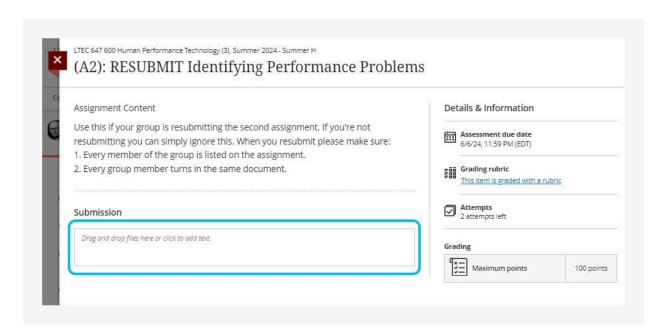
2. Click an assignment to start the submission process.



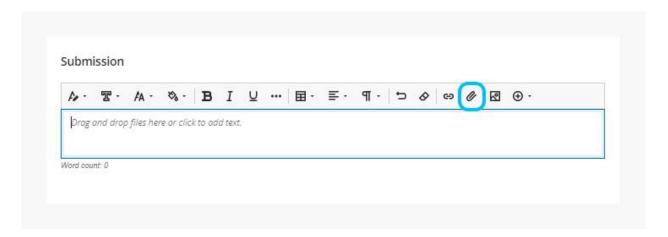
3. Press Start Attempt 1.



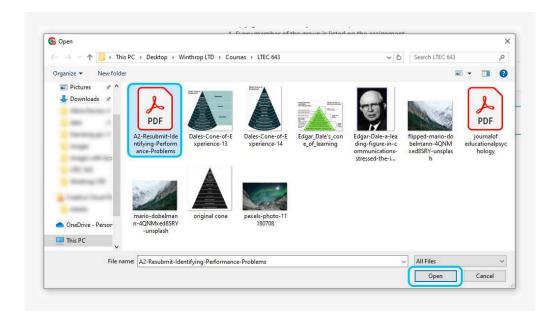
4. Click the *text box* inside the assignment submission screen.



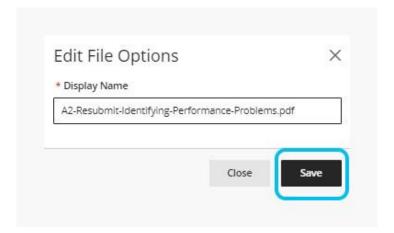
5. A tool menu will pop up above the text box. Click the *paperclip* to add your attachment.



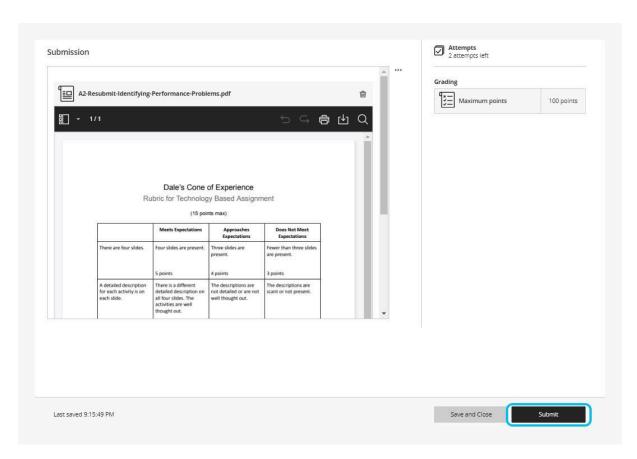
6. Find the attachment on your computer, select it, and press *Open*.



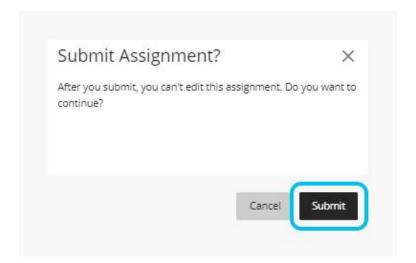
7. Press Save.



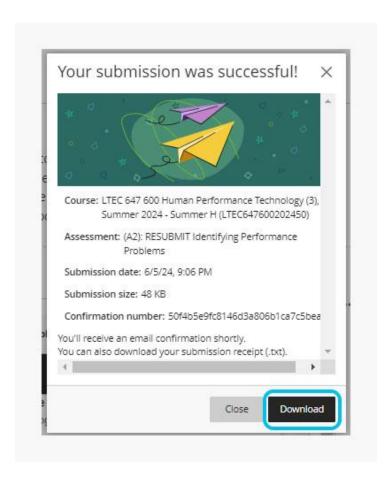
8. Preview and press Submit.



9. Press **Submit** again.

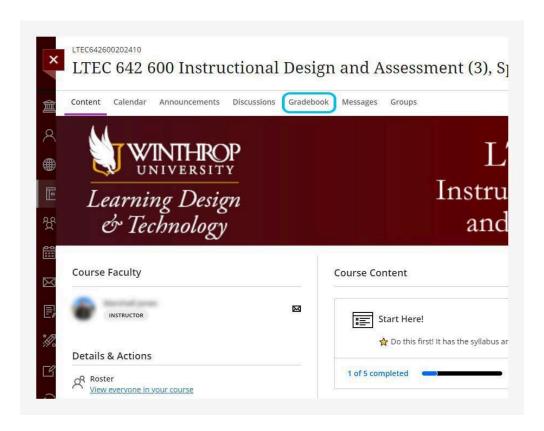


10. Download and keep a copy of the submission receipt.

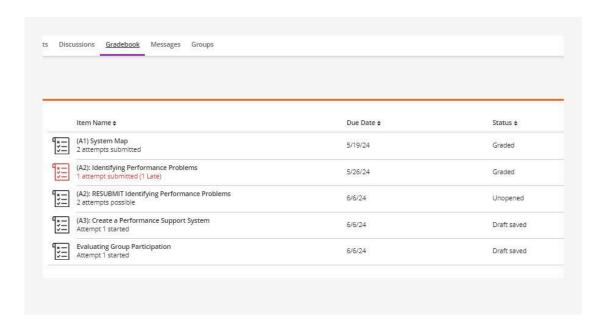


How To Resubmit An Assignment

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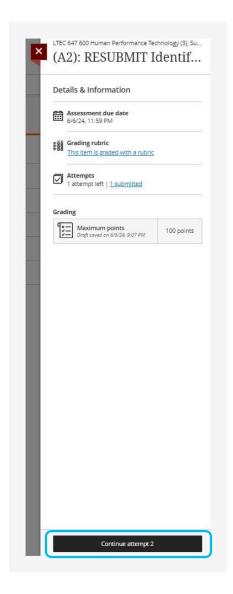
2. Your course's Gradebook will appear.



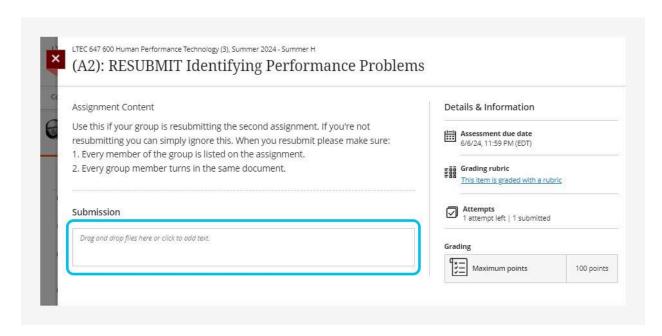
1. Locate and click the assignment you need to resubmit.



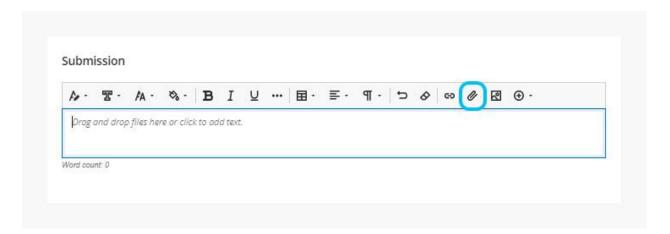
2. Press Continue Attempt 2.



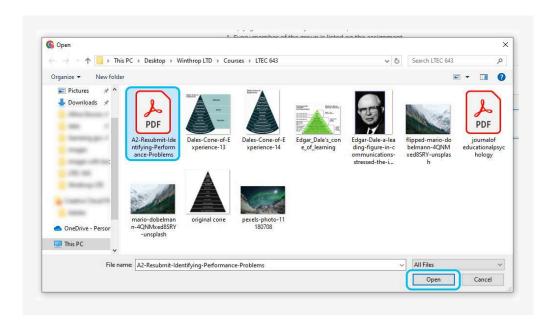
3. Click the *text box* inside the assignment submission screen.



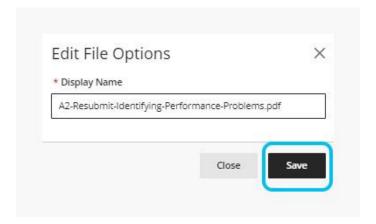
4. A tool menu will pop up above the text box. Click the *paperclip* to add your attachment.



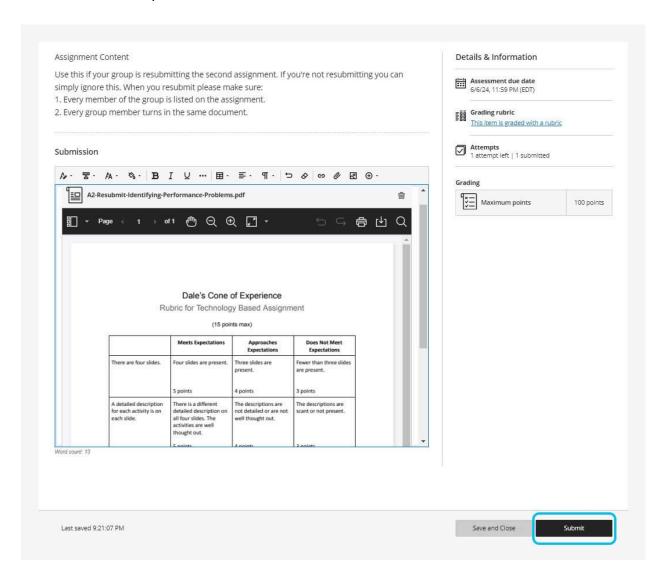
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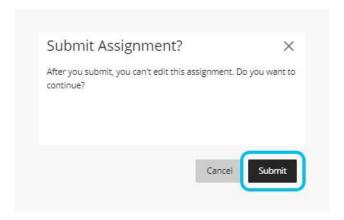
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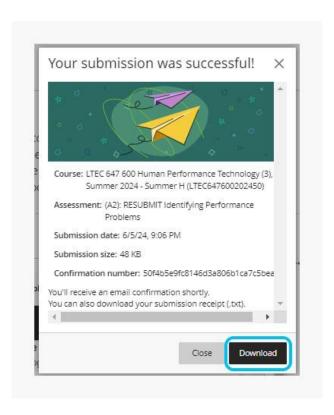
7. Preview and press Submit.



8. Press Submit again.



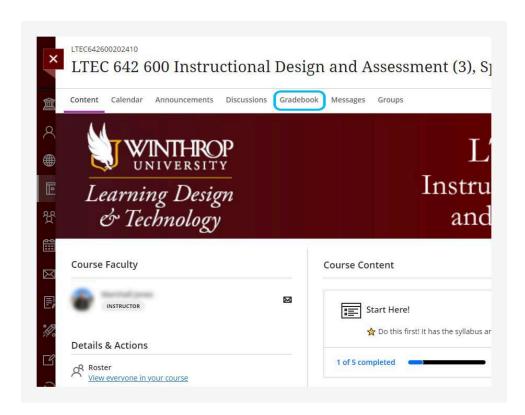
9. **Download** and keep a copy of the submission receipt.



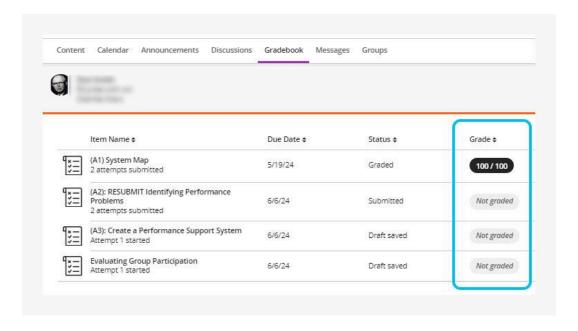
10. **Immediately** email your professor to let them know you have resubmitted your assignment.

How To Check A Grade

1. Click the *Gradebook* tab at the top of your course.

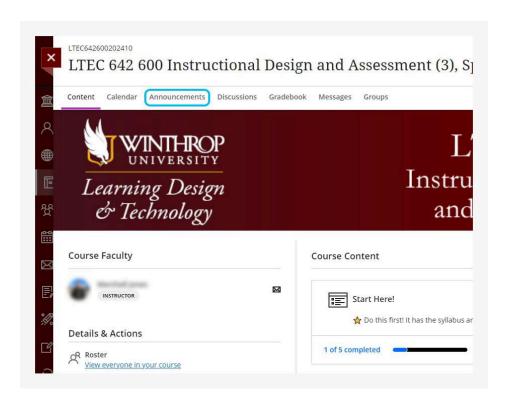


2. Your grade will appear in the *Grade* column after your professor has graded your assignment.

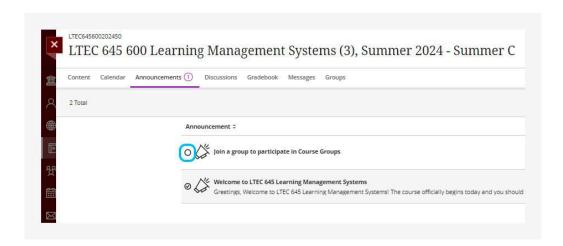


How To View Announcements

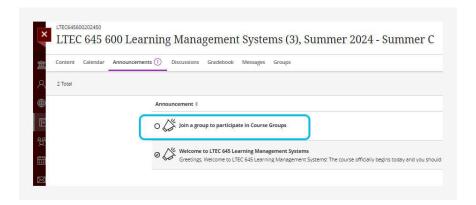
1. Click the *Announcements* tab at the top of your course.



2. Your class announcements will appear. An empty circle marks announcements that have not been read.



3. Click to open the announcement.



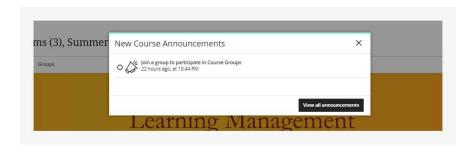
4. Read the announcement.



5. Press the red X on the left to return to the *Announcements* tab.



6. When an announcement is published, it will pop up as a notice in your course.



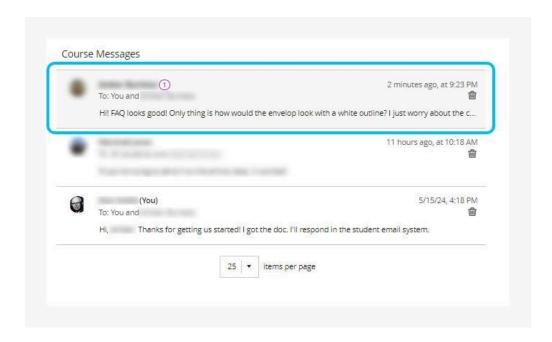
Messages

How To Check Your Messages

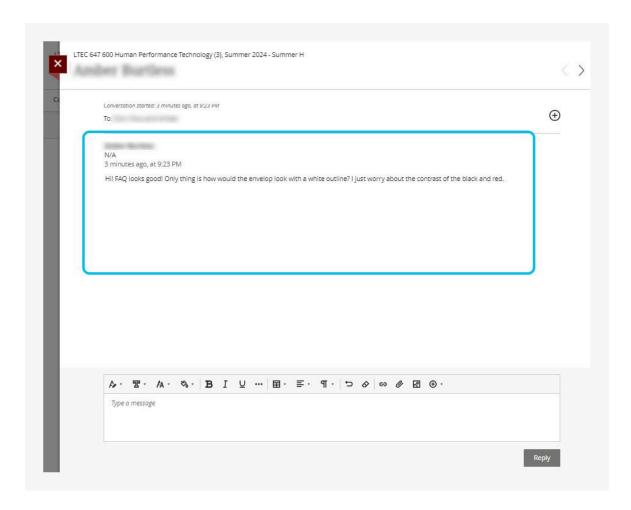
1. Click the *Messages* tab at the top of your course.



2. Your course messages will appear. Newer messages are at the top. Click a message to read it.

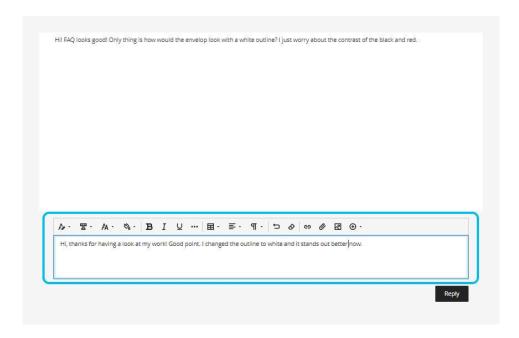


3. The message will open.

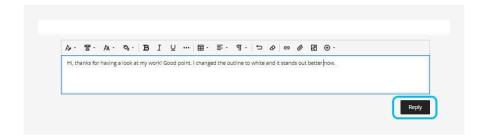


How To Reply To A Message

1. Type your message in the text box at the bottom of the message. Use the tools menu to customize the look of your text or insert or attach media.



2. Press Reply when ready to send.



3. Click the red X on the left to close the message and return to the *Messages* tab.

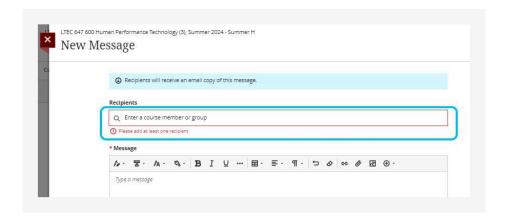


How To Send A New Message

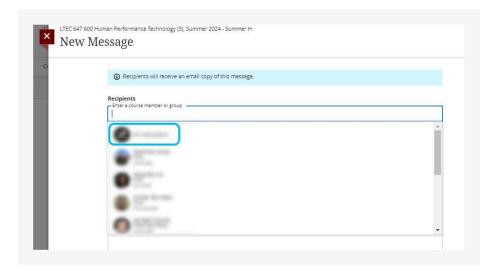
1. From the *Messages* tab, press the *New Message* button.



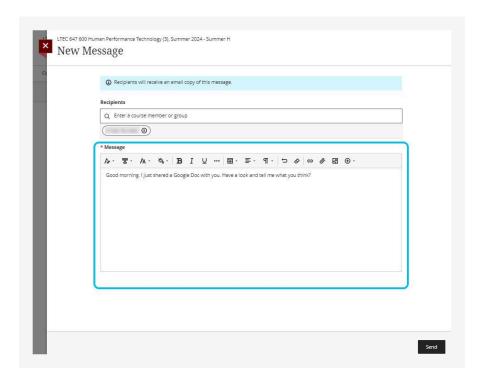
2. Click the Recipients search bar.



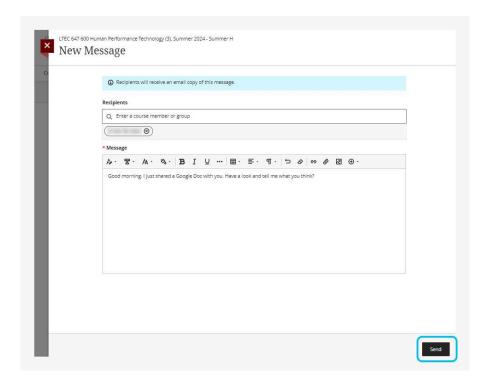
3. Choose the message recipients from the drop-down menu. You will be limited to the students and professors in your class.



4. Type your message. Use the tools at the top of the message section to customize the look of your text, insert media, and more.



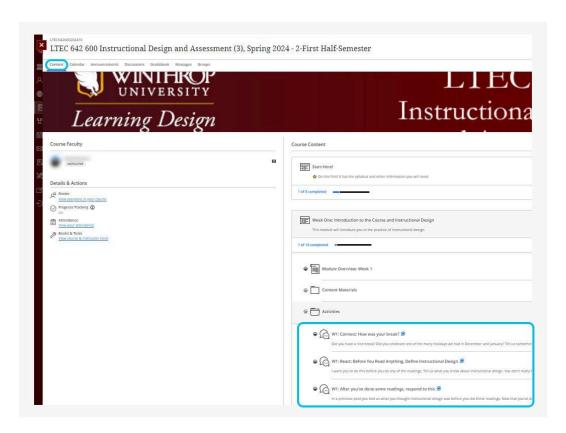
5. Press Send.



Discussions

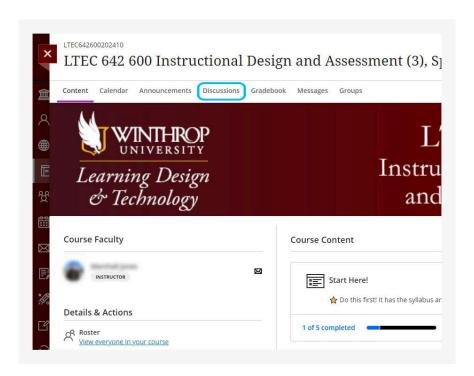
How To Find Discussions In The Activities Folder

1. The most common way to get to the weekly discussions is to look in the *Activities* folder in your weekly Module.

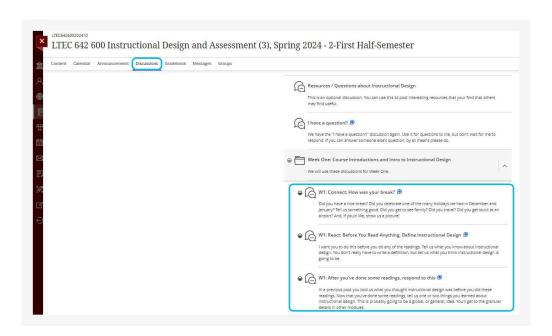


How To Find Discussions In the Discussions Tab

 A second way to find your weekly discussions is to click the *Discussions* tab at the top of your course.

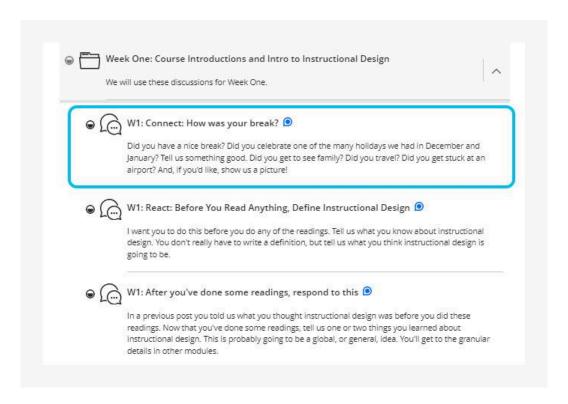


2. Scroll down to the weekly discussions you want to work with.

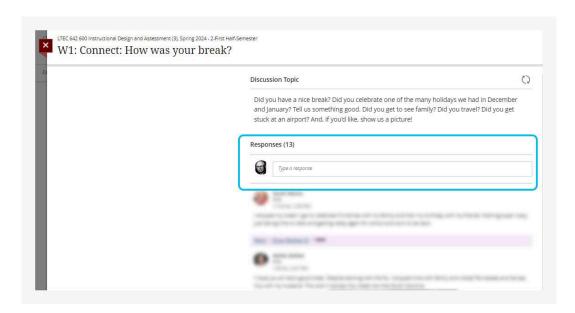


How To Respond To A Discussion Topic

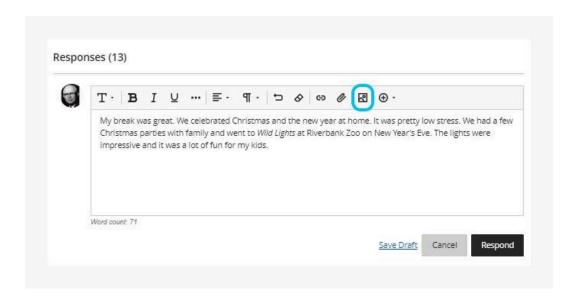
1. Click the discussion to open it.



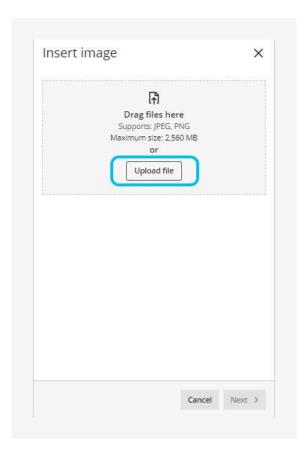
2. Read the discussion topic. To get started with your response, select the Response text box and start typing.



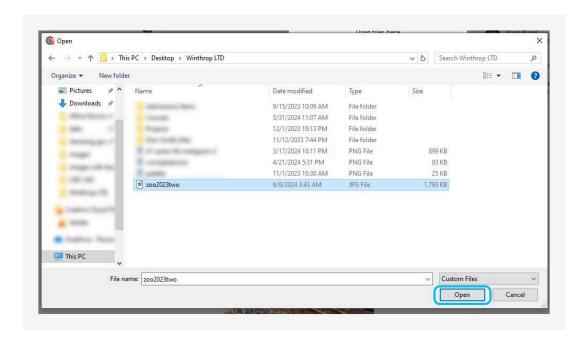
3. If you would like to add an image, press the *insert image* button on the tool menu above the text box.



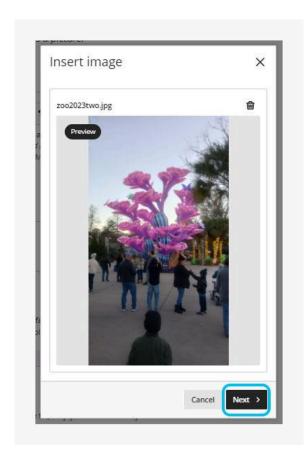
4. Press Upload file.



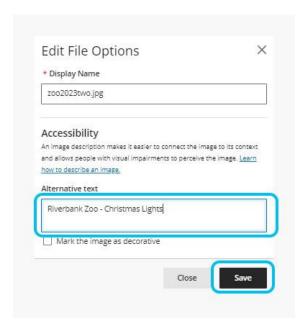
5. Find the image on your computer, click it, and press *Open*.



6. Press Next.



7. Add a short description in the Alternative text box. Press **Save**.

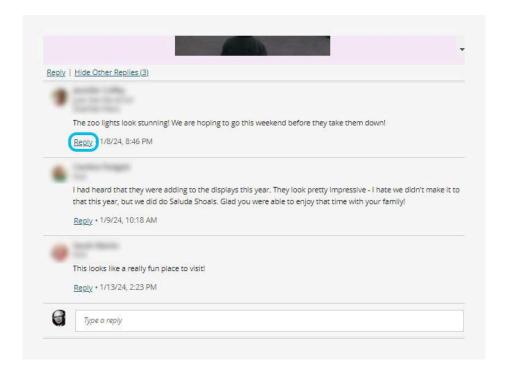


8. Click Respond.



How To Reply To A Comment On Your Discussion Post

1. To respond to a comment left on your discussion post, press *Reply*.



2. Enter your response and press Reply.

