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Presentation Agenda

- News function
  (5 to 10 minutes)

- D2L calendar
  (5 to 10 minutes)

- Dropbox
  (10 to 15 minutes)

- Q&A and Open Discussion
  (15 minutes)
News function - Best Practices
News tool

- News is your students’ “first impression”
- The ‘beginning of class announcements’?
- Commentary / a primary way students get to know you and feel a personal connection
News tool shows all options
Attachments available
Don’t try to duplicate or replace content screen
Calendar - Best Practices
D2L Calendar

• Provides a time – oriented view of course deadlines

• Automatically shows ‘due dates’ from quizzes, dropbox, discussions etc.
D2L Calendar

Filter to focus on the course you’re currently working in
D2L Calendar

- **Due dates** show on calendar automatically

- **Start / end dates** show only if checked to display (avoid)
D2L Calendar

- Set dates: takes you to the place to add due dates (use if something is missing)
- Delete will only remove entry from calendar
- Visibility allows conditional display
D2L Calendar

- Adding other events
- Use cautiously
- Important dates that are not part of course function

* Students’ calendars show all their classes *
(be careful or it can become a mess for them)
Dropbox

- Preview: allows you to simulate student’s steps
- Event log: shows what you did in dropbox
- Hide & make visible: manually hide and show folders to students
Setting up folders

- Attachments: additional instructions (if long, if already existing in .pdf)
- Files allowed – will this submission require more than one file? E.g. excel and PowerPoint for same assignment
- Notification email: send to you or TA when submission occurs
Setting up folders

Keep organized if many?

If tying to gradebook item

An interesting option that allows you to grade without knowing who submitted (unconscious bias?)
Setting up folders

Manually hide and show

Automatically hide and show

Show only when…

For students who may be allowed more time, can set different dates / times

If using learning objectives

Properties

Restrictions

Objectives

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Due Date

Has Due Date

6/25/2020 2:57 PM

New

United States - Chicago

Has Start Date

6/18/2020 9:57 AM

New

United States - Chicago

Has End Date

6/25/2020 2:57 PM

New

United States - Chicago

Release Conditions

Attach Existing

Create and Attach

Remove All Conditions

There are no conditions attached to this item.

Special Access

Allow users with special access to submit outside the normal availability dates for this folder

Allow only users with special access to see this folder

Add Users to Special Access

Save and Close

Save and New

Save

Cancel
Feedback can be provided in several ways:

- **Typed comments** - a few short sentences of general feedback
- **File upload** – You can use Word ‘reviewing’ features to provide detailed comments, make corrections etc. Adobe Reader also allows annotating with typewriter tool
  - Add feedback files button allows you to download entire folder, make edits or comments within each file, then re-upload the files with feedback
- **Brightspace Assignment Grader app** - for iOS or Android **tablets only** (not available for PC, Mac or phones)
Dropbox assignment feedback

The submissions tab under Assessments-> Dropbox

Note: easy way to email students without submissions, remind as due date approaches, inform them of a missed deadline
Dropbox assignment feedback

Feedback can be provided several ways:

On first pass, buttons appear as Save or Publish. Publish releases feedback to students immediately. Save just saves, you can publish all later, i.e. after due date.
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  - Previously submitted student papers
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  - Accessible internet sites

See excellent LibGuide: https://libguides.marquette.edu/turnitin/D2L-instructors
Questions & Discussion