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Navigating Learn.UQ

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Introduction

Session outline

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Learn.UQ (Blackboard)

What is Learn.UQ?

Online learning management system

- Access course materials
- Submit assessment

Learn.UQ is UQ's branded application
Blackboard is the software
Both names are used interchangeably

Access

- Directly
- Through my.UQ
Courses

The welcome screen

Courses is the landing page

Each enrolled course has a site

The left bar shows the global navigation menu

Training Courses and Upcoming Courses are also available
# Pages

These are the global Learn.UQ pages and are not course-specific

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Training Course
Follow along with our sample Blackboard course

You need to self enrol:

1. Go to the institution page
2. Under Useful links, press AskUs Blackboard Student Training
3. Click Submit and then OK
4. You should automatically land in the site.

If you no longer see the global navigation menu, you will need to re-enter Blackboard to view other courses.

- Simply type learn.uq.edu.au in the address bar.
- Bookmark this page for future reference.

Accessing the course

In future, you may want to access this course again.

1. Go to Courses
2. Click Training Courses
3. Click AskUs Blackboard Student Training

Note: this course is not connected to your academic grades.
Courses

Every course will generally contain the following pages

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Announcements

Staff communicate to students via Announcements

This is the landing page for a course.

Posts appear newest on the top

Announcements may or may not be emailed, so check this page regularly.
Course Profile

Course Profiles contains key course details

Click on Course Profile to see a sample course.

Courses are required to adhere to their Course Profiles.

Here you can find

• Course and staff information
• Assessment details (including due dates and weightings)
• Required and suggested learning resources
• Expected learning activities (e.g. lectures, tutorials)
• Policies and Guidelines
Course Staff and Course Help

Course Staff

Contact details for the course coordinator, tutors and other staff is available here.

Course Help

Support resources and general links are available here.

Specific, content-related support is often located under Learning Resources
Discussion Board

An open forum

Here you can create forums, post within them and reply to others.

Some courses make heavy use of Discussion Board, while others are not monitored.

If you do not get a reply, consider contacting staff instead.

Ed Discussion Board

Some courses use Ed Discussion Board as a forum tool.

Typically, there is a distinct link on the course’s Learn.UQ page

This tool is separate to Learn.UQ’s Discussion Board.
Activity – Discussion Board

Activity – Reply to a post

There are active posts on the Ask Us Blackboard Student Training site which you can interact with.

1. Click Discussion Board
2. Click Orientation and Connect Weeks 2024
3. Click Welcome!
4. Reply to the welcome thread with your favourite food/animal/movie etc.

Everyone with access to the course will be able to view your name and responses
Compulsory Modules

Academic Integrity Module

Two academic integrity modules to complete

- Complete Part A before 31st August (census date)
- Complete Part B before 25th October (end of week 13)

Future enrolment, viewing grades and graduation are blocked by missing these deadlines.

Access via

- mySI-net task wizard
- Directly
- Library services

And complete in UQ Extend.

Respect At UQ Module

One module to complete

- Compete before 5pm on 11th August.

Missing this deadline will restrict your access to Blackboard until completed.

- Learn more via the Respect at UQ webpage

Access via

UQ Essentials:

- Learn.UQ home

And complete through the Blackboard link.
Learning Resources

Course content is found under Learning Resources

This includes

- Lecture recordings (both audio and video)
- Readings (and library course reading lists)
- Links to external resources
- Other materials as necessary (e.g. images, slides)

Learning Resources is often structured with folders

Assessment-related content may also be located in Assessment
Assessment

Assessment details and submission links

Here you may find

• Assessment summaries with due dates and weightings
• Files related to your assessment (e.g. tasksheets)
• Submission links
• Embedded assessment, for example
  – Multiple choice quizzes
  – Short response questions
Activity – Completing Assessment

Activity – Downloading and submitting files

Practice downloading and submitting a piece of assessment.

1. Navigate to Assessment
2. Select Common Assessment Tools
3. Download the file in Assessment
4. Open the file and follow the instructions

To submit a file

1. Select Blackboard Assessment Submission Example
2. Select Upload Files and Browse Local Files
3. Select the file you want to submit and press OK
4. Select Submit
Blackboard Ultra

Learn.UQ is transitioning to a new look

A new version of Blackboard, called Ultra, is slowly being rolled out for UQ courses.

Over the next few years, you will encounter Ultra, which replaces the current course page view.

Ultra courses will have

• A new design

• Increased functionality

• Similar structure

The essentials (e.g. learning resources and assessment) will mostly remain.
Activity – Quizzes

Activity – Completing quizzes (and solving riddles)

In this final activity, have a go at completing a Blackboard quiz about riddles

1. Go to Assessment
2. Click on Riddles
3. Answer all the questions
4. Press OK ← (bottom right)
5. Press OK ← again
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