

BLACKBOARD LEARN ULTRA BASE NAVIGATION

BLACKBOARD ULTRA BASE NAVIGATION (UBN)

Blackboard has introduced a new Base Navigation called Ultra Base Navigation (UBN) and a new Course View called Ultra View*

The new navigator UBN will be:

- Mobile Friendly
- Intuitive Navigation
- Quick Access to important information and links
- * The Course Ultra View detail will be explained a later stage.

ULTRA EXPERIENCE

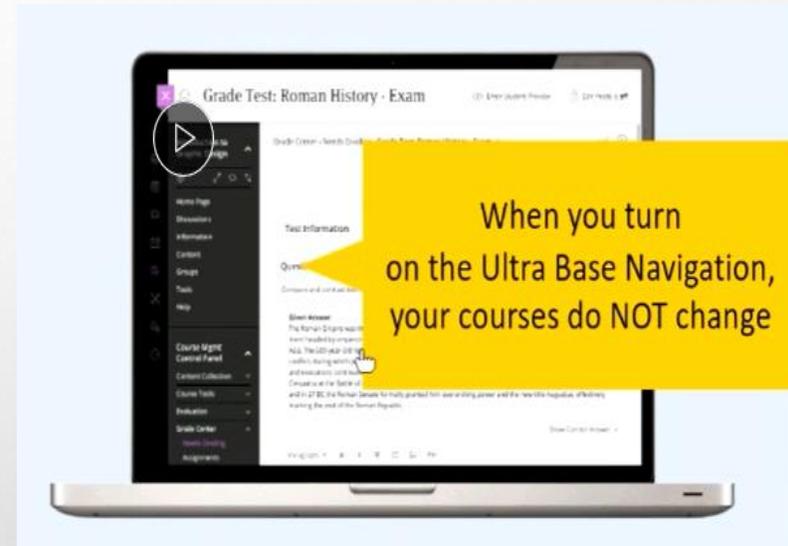
Ultra experience includes the below 3 options:

- Ultra Base Navigation
- Original Course View
- Ultra Course View



WHAT IS LAU USING?

- Ultra Base Navigation
- Original Course View*



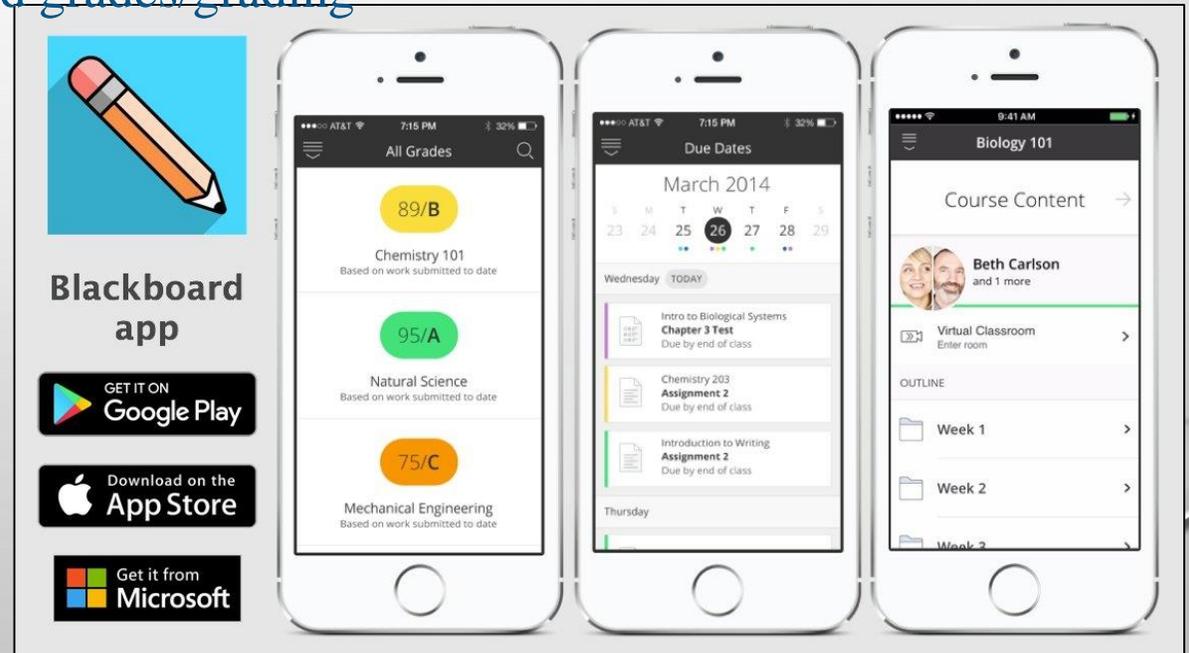
* All your Blackboard courses will stay on the Original Course View, on the same layout and format as you have built them.

ULTRA BASE NAVIGATION

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 Activity Stream	 Introduction to Sociology 3 students are falling behir
 Courses	Recent
 Organizations	 Introduction to Sociology New submission can be gr.
 Calendar	 Basics of Astronomy Added: Introduction to Ast No due date
 Messages	 Biology 101 New course available: Biol
 Grades	
 Tools	
 Sign Out	

ULTRA BASE NAVIGATION

- Modern, intuitive user experience.
- Designed to improve user efficiency.
- Minimizes clicks.
- Aggregates important info such as calendar, messages and grades/grading – now consolidated into one global view.
- Works well on mobile devices.



THE FIRST TIME LOGON USING UBN

- Scroll through introductory pages
- Click get started

Welcome to the new Blackboard!



You're going to love the delightful details in our modern design. The intuitive, fluid interactions are simple and fun to use.

Never lose your place.



As you open content, it slides out in a layer. You can easily see where you've been and navigate back to any spot.

Your work is safe.

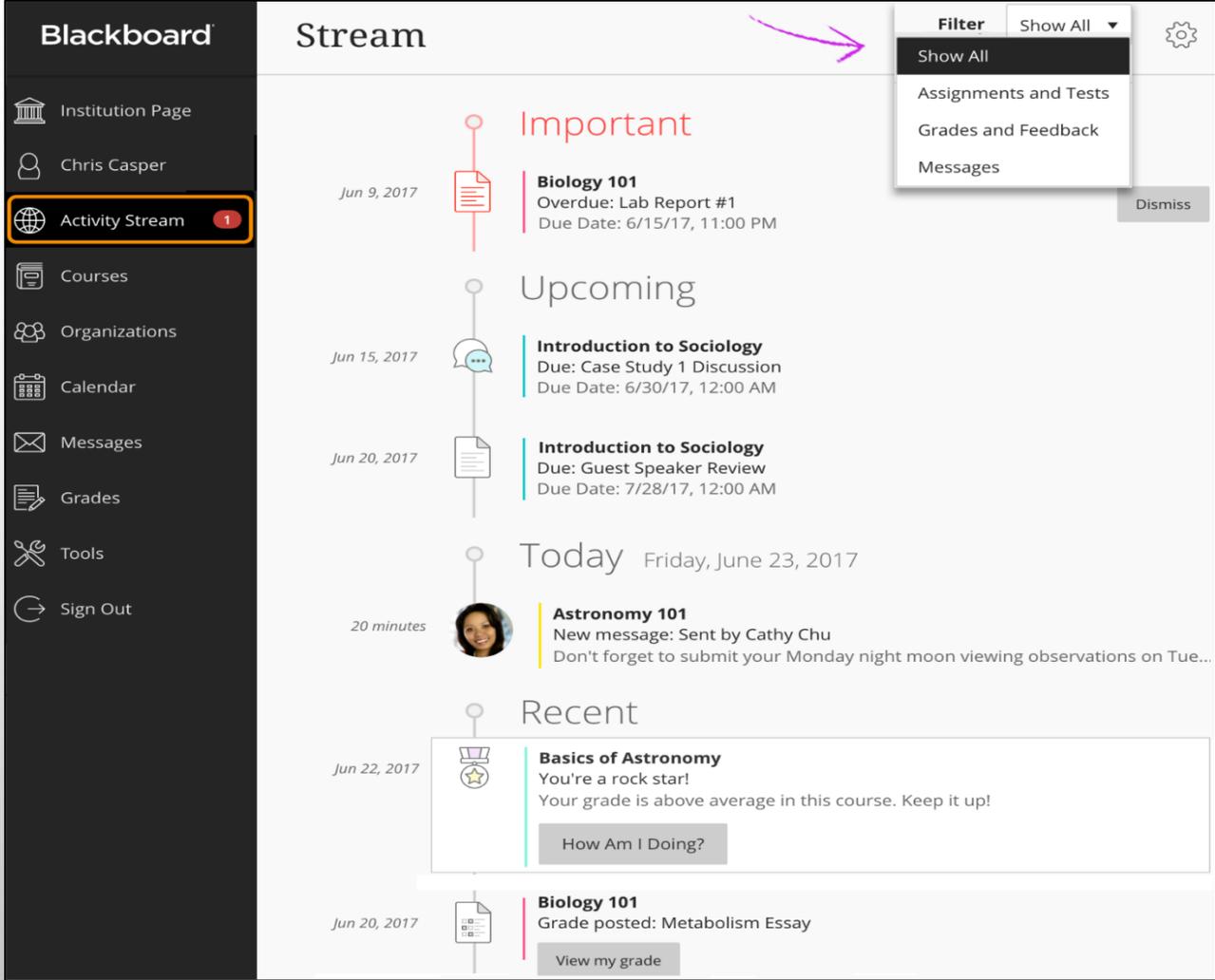


The system automatically saves as you create. Review, refine, and share your work when you're ready.

ACTIVITY STREAM (Default Landing Page)

This is the default page when you logon to blackboard on UBN

- Up-to-the-minute action on most important info for all courses
- Grouped into 4 categories: (Important, Upcoming, Today and Recent)
- Students always see reminders about overdue work in the important section.
- [Activity stream video](#)
- [Activity Stream Help](#)



Blackboard Stream

Institution Page
Chris Casper
Activity Stream 1
Courses
Organizations
Calendar
Messages
Grades
Tools
Sign Out

Filter Show All 

Show All
Assignments and Tests
Grades and Feedback
Messages

Important

Jun 9, 2017  **Biology 101**
Overdue: Lab Report #1
Due Date: 6/15/17, 11:00 PM

Upcoming

Jun 15, 2017  **Introduction to Sociology**
Due: Case Study 1 Discussion
Due Date: 6/30/17, 12:00 AM

Jun 20, 2017  **Introduction to Sociology**
Due: Guest Speaker Review
Due Date: 7/28/17, 12:00 AM

Today Friday, June 23, 2017

20 minutes  **Astronomy 101**
New message: Sent by Cathy Chu
Don't forget to submit your Monday night moon viewing observations on Tue...

Recent

Jun 22, 2017  **Basics of Astronomy**
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How Am I Doing?

Jun 20, 2017  **Biology 101**
Grade posted: Metabolism Essay
View my grade

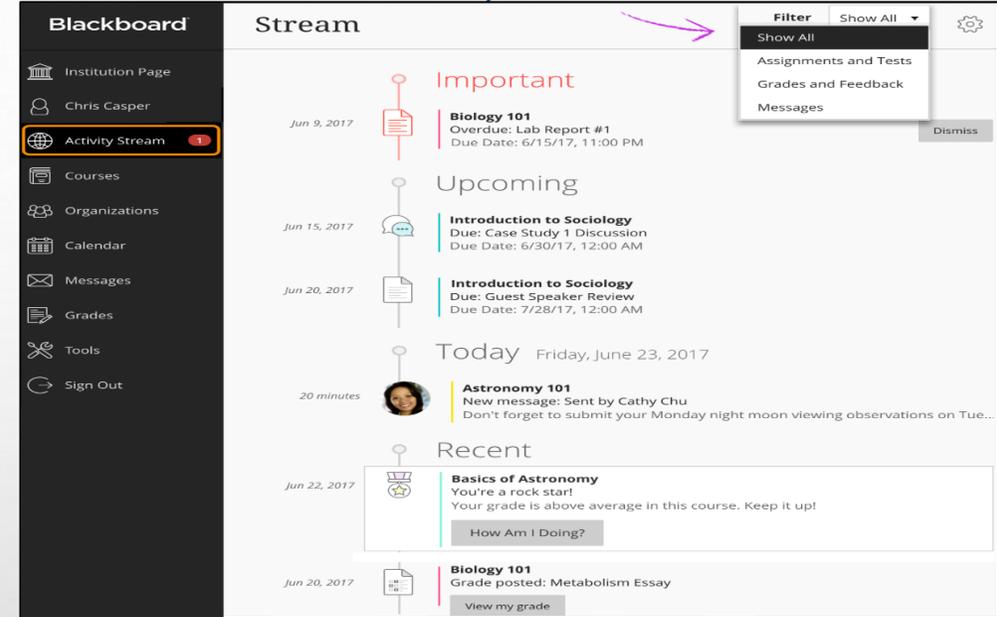
IMPORTANT (ACTIVITY STREAM)

• STUDENTS

- Overdue Assignments, Tests, Graded discussions, other Graded Items
- Messages From Instructors

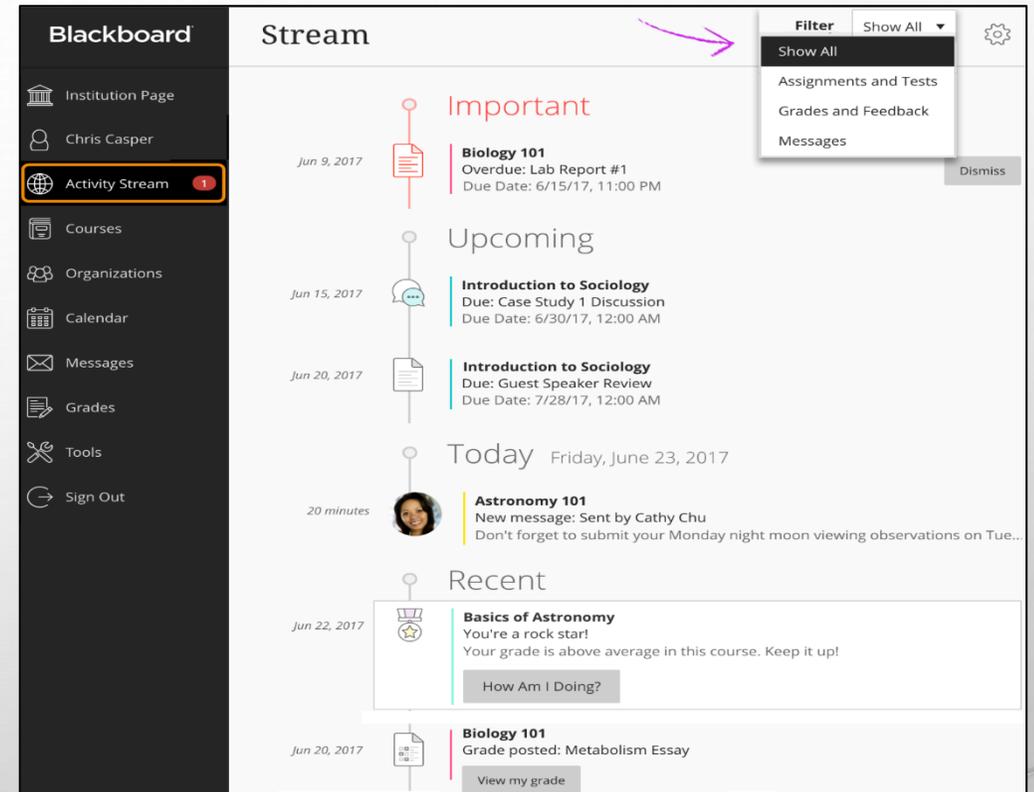
• INSTRUCTORS

- Course messages from co-instructors and teaching assistants (messages from students will be in today or recent)
- Number of items in important is shown by “activity stream” in left navigation.
- When dismissed from activity stream – will not be available again here. But the original content will be unaffected in its original location. You just remove the notification from the activity stream.



UPCOMING (ACTIVITY STREAM)

- Top 5 events for next 7 days
- Does not appear if nothing matches this criteria
- Click “show more” for complete list



The screenshot shows the Blackboard interface with the Activity Stream selected in the left-hand navigation menu. The main content area displays a stream of activity items categorized into Important, Upcoming, Today, and Recent. A filter dropdown menu is open in the top right corner, showing options for 'Filter', 'Show All', 'Assignments and Tests', 'Grades and Feedback', and 'Messages'. A pink arrow points to the 'Show All' option in the filter menu.

Blackboard Stream

Filter Show All 

Show All

Assignments and Tests

Grades and Feedback

Messages

Dismiss

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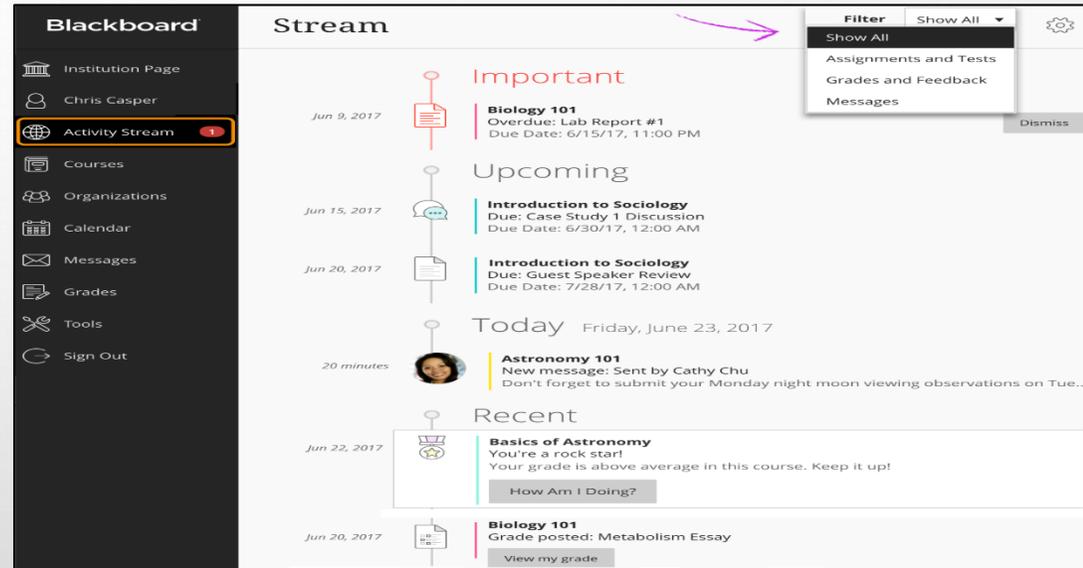
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TODAY (ACTIVITY STREAM)

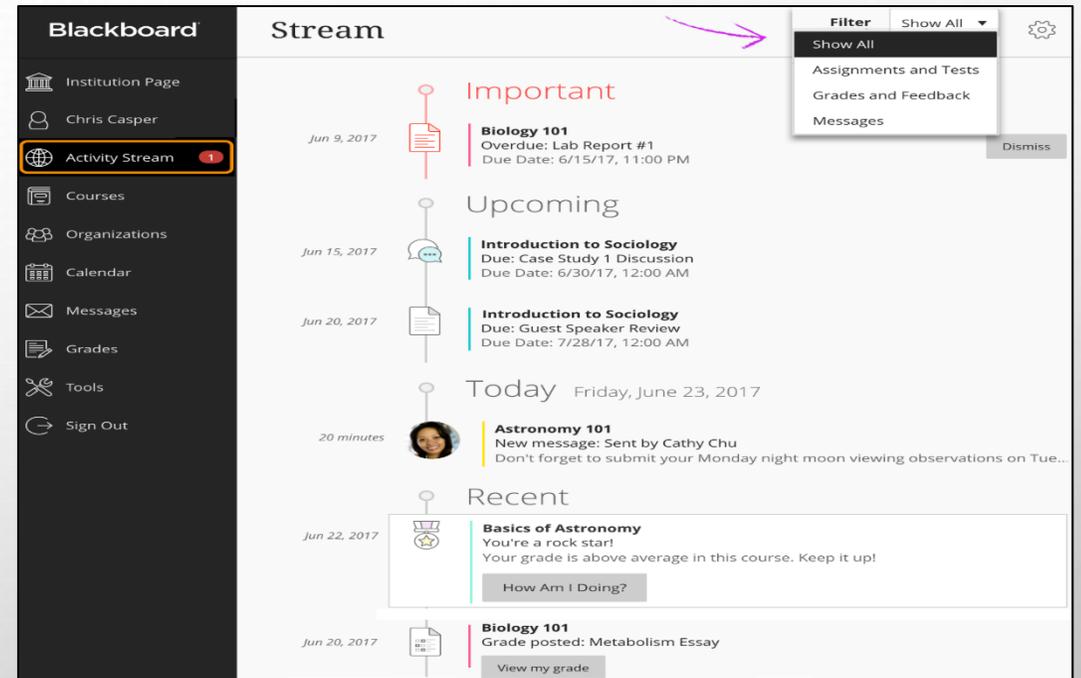
- Everything happening and due in the next 24 hours
- Includes institution level announcements
- If you added course level announcements, they'll be here for students (or in recent)



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RECENT (ACTIVITY STREAM)

- Applicable when you haven't checked in for awhile
- View stream items that were previously in the today section over the last seven days
- Students always see reminders about overdue work in the *important* section rather than recent.



The screenshot shows the Blackboard interface for a user named Chris Casper. The left sidebar contains navigation options: Institution Page, Chris Casper, Activity Stream (highlighted with a red box and a '1' notification), Courses, Organizations, Calendar, Messages, Grades, Tools, and Sign Out. The main content area is titled 'Stream' and is divided into sections: Important, Upcoming, Today (Friday, June 23, 2017), and Recent. The 'Important' section contains a notification for 'Biology 101' with an overdue lab report. The 'Upcoming' section lists two 'Introduction to Sociology' assignments. The 'Today' section shows a new message from Cathy Chu for 'Astronomy 101'. The 'Recent' section shows a grade posted for 'Biology 101' (Metabolism Essay) and a 'Basics of Astronomy' notification. A purple arrow points to the 'Filter' dropdown menu in the top right corner, which is open and shows options: Show All, Assignments and Tests, Grades and Feedback, and Messages. A 'Dismiss' button is also visible next to the 'Show All' option.

COURSE EVENTS THAT TRIGGER NOTIFICATIONS IN STUDENT'S ACTIVITY STREAM:

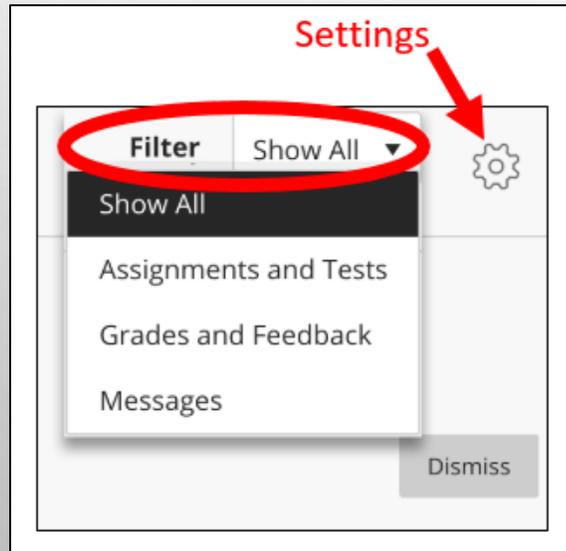
- New courses available
- Your instructors added content to your courses, such as assignments and tests
- You added a new blog, journal entry, or wiki page
- Your instructors posted grades for your work
- Your instructors added events to your courses
- You received a course message or reply
- Items that are due today
- Items that are due soon
- Items that are past due
- Events that are happening today
- Events that are happening soon

COURSE EVENTS THAT TRIGGER NOTIFICATIONS IN INSTRUCTOR'S ACTIVITY STREAM:

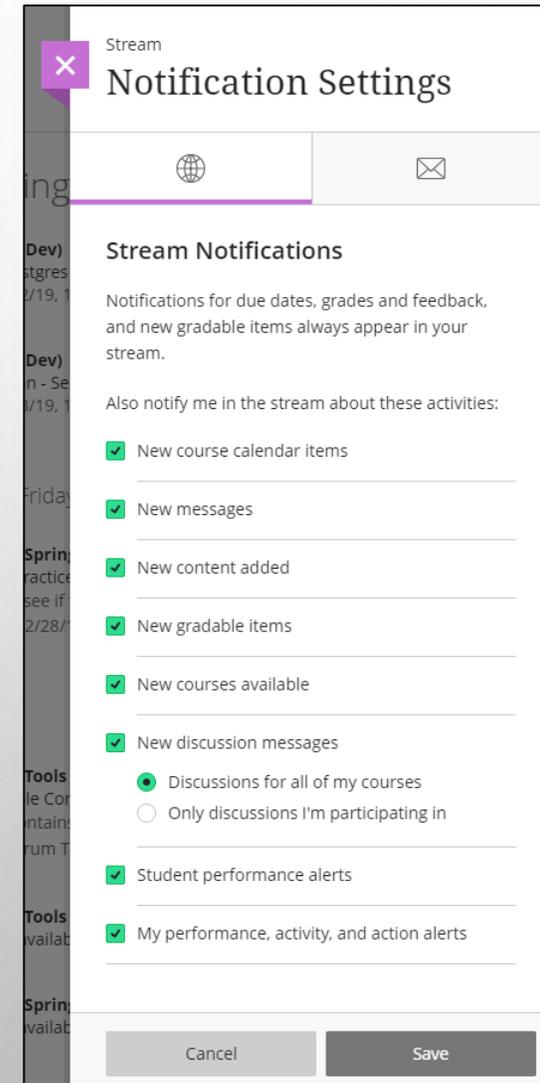
- Content you added to your courses, such as assignments and tests
- New blogs, journal entries, or wiki pages students added
- Student-submitted items that are ready for grading
- Course messages or replies you received
- Alerts for students falling behind
- New courses available
- Events you added to your course
- Announcements you added
- Events that are happening today
- Events that are happening soon

ACTIVITY STREAM

Notifications on the Activity Stream can be filtered or change their settings



- Filters
 - Show all
 - Assignments and tests
 - Grades and feedback
 - Messages
- Settings
 - Stream notifications (affects what is fed to activity stream)
 - Email notifications



ACTIVITY STREAM ICONS*



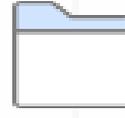
Announcement



Grades



Alerts



Folder



Survey



Bb Test



Page



Discussion



**Message -
profile photo**



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profile photo**



**New
Content**



Assignment



Blog



**Turnitin
(& maybe others)**



**Course or
Organization**



Document



Calendar



Link

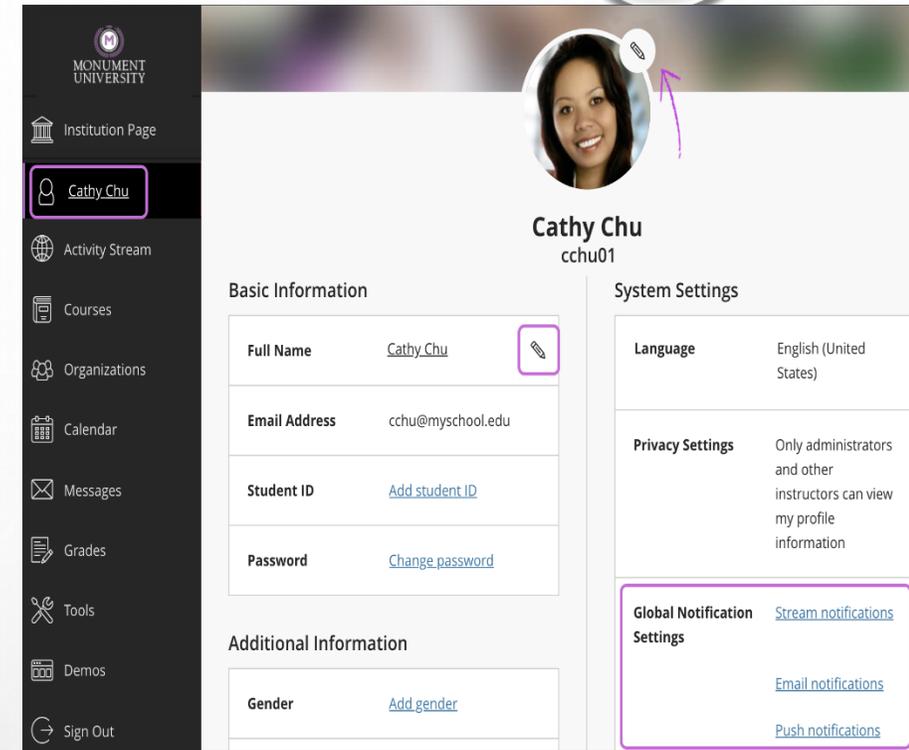
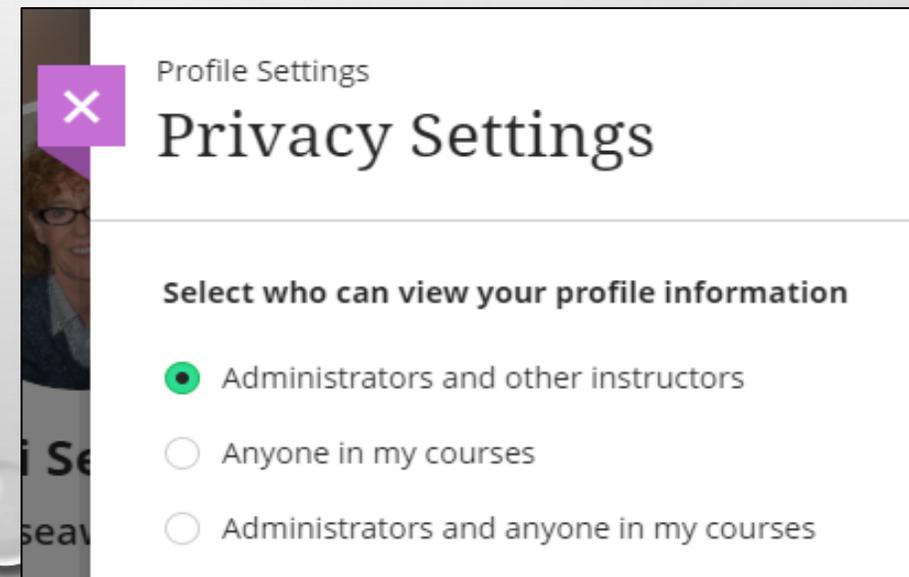


Wiki

*Uses same icons used in courses (most common shown here)

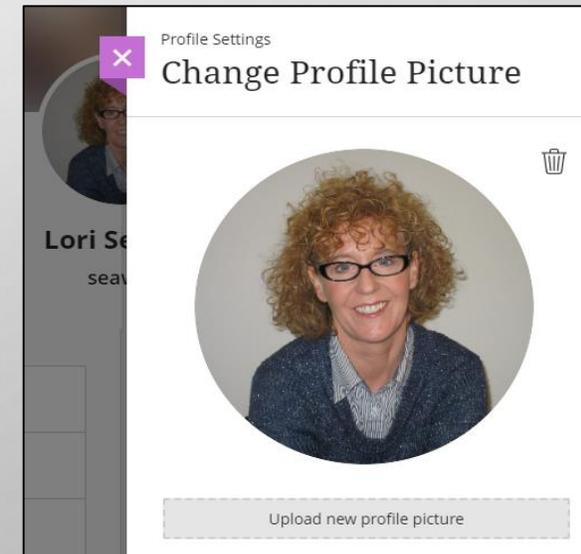
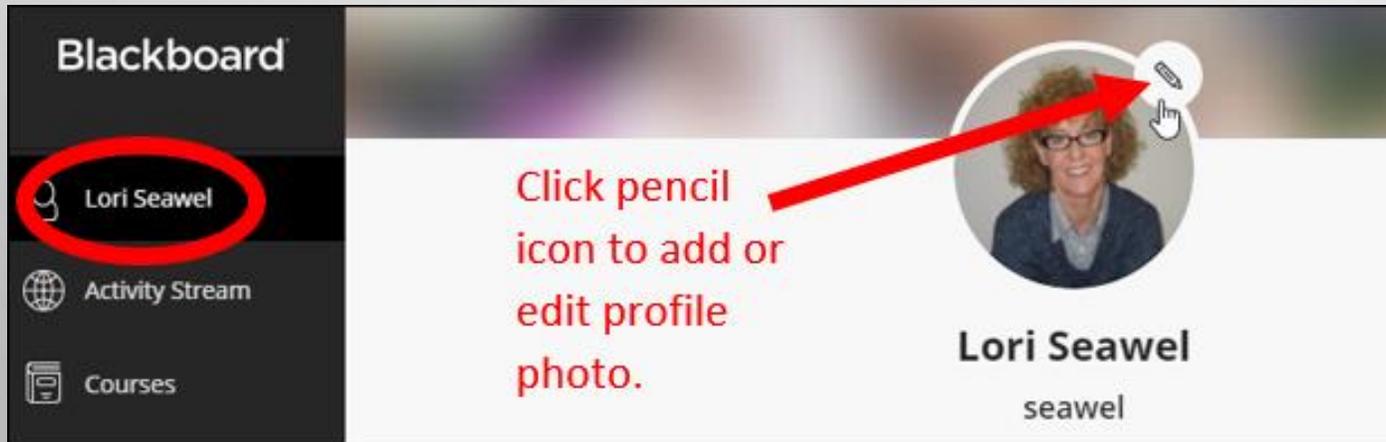
PROFILE

- Select your name in the list to edit your online persona.
 - You may be able to edit some information with a pencil icon upon hovering
 - Includes:
 - Profile photo
 - Gender
 - Prefix
 - Privacy settings
 - Other editable information
 - Some important information may be non-editable to be changed
 - [Profile Video](#)
 - [Profile Help](#)

PROFILE PHOTO

- We encourage you to upload a photo of yourself so it shows in the activity stream and other applicable locations in your courses.
- If students upload a photo, you will see it not only in activity stream, but also in tools such as grade center and attendance.
- If you encourage students to upload a photo, you may want to offer the option to use an avatar as an alternative.



COURSES

- You have the option to see your courses as images

Courses

← Courses from 2020 Current Courses ▾ Upcoming Courses →

☰ Filter All Courses ▾ 25 items per page

Assorted Dates

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- You have the option to see your courses as list

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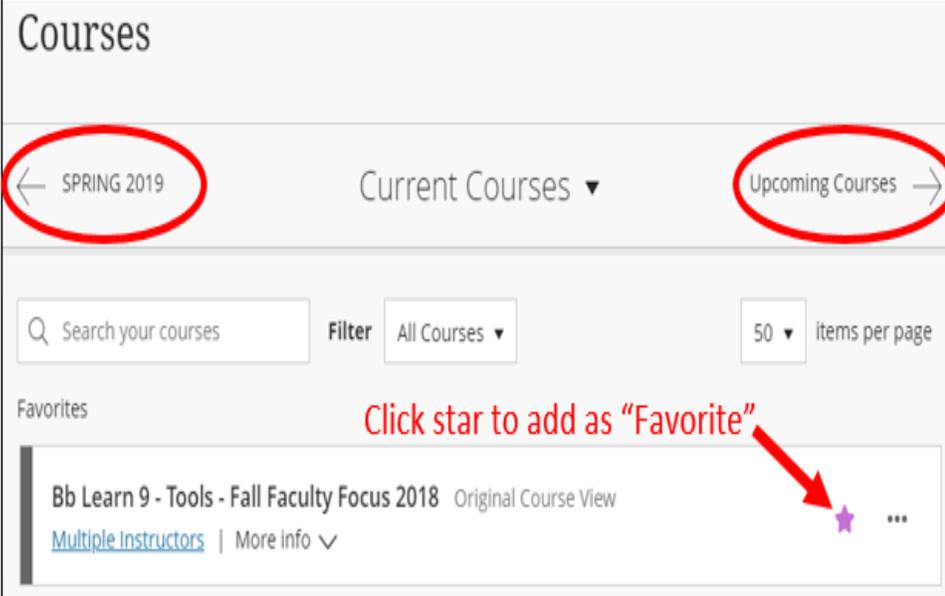
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<p>test_collab_and_copy Test Collab and copy Original Course View ☆ ... Multiple Instructors More info ▾</p>

- [Ultra Course Page Help](#)

COURSES

- Navigate to past, present, and future courses.
- Defaults to
 - List of “current courses” in which you’re enrolled
 - Organized by semester (plus assorted dates at the bottom)
- Arrows at top to move between courses
- Favorite courses (starred), appear at top of applicable filtered lists



Courses

← SPRING 2019 Current Courses ▾ Upcoming Courses →

Search your courses Filter All Courses ▾ 50 ▾ items per page

Favorites

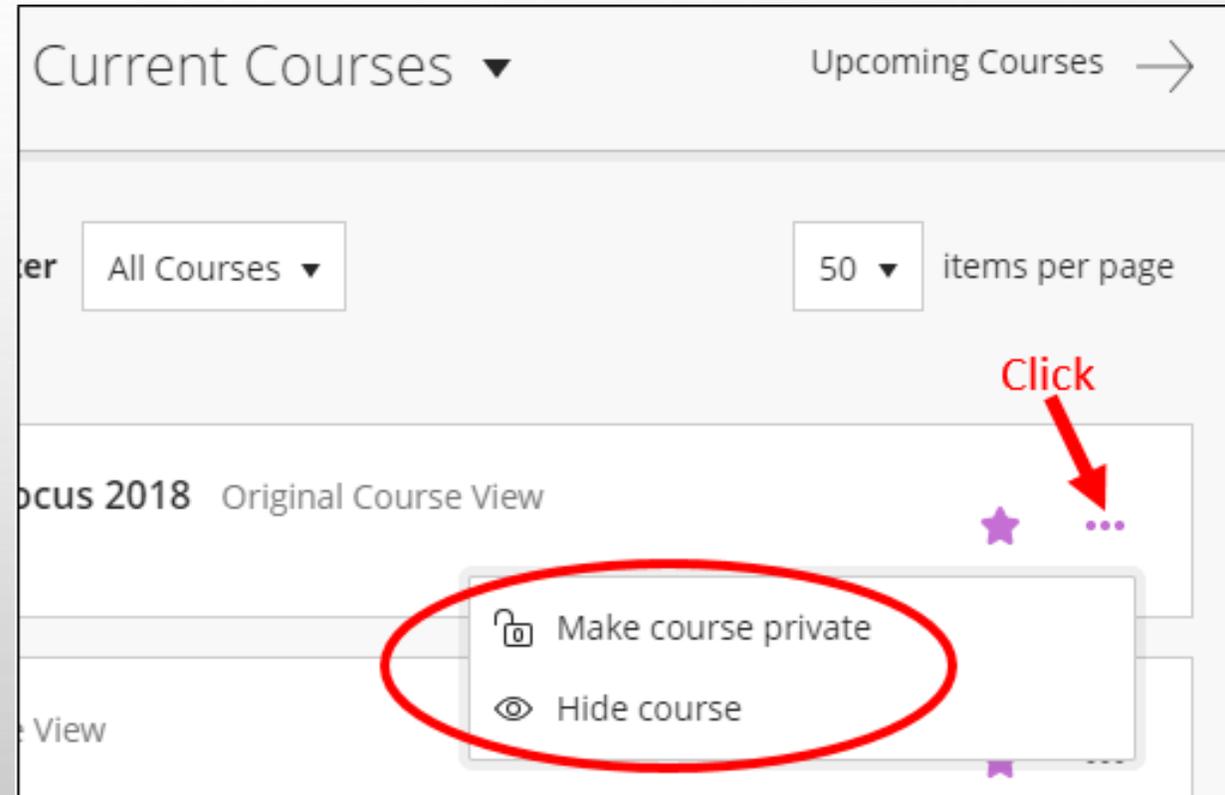
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Click star to add as “Favorite”

COURSES

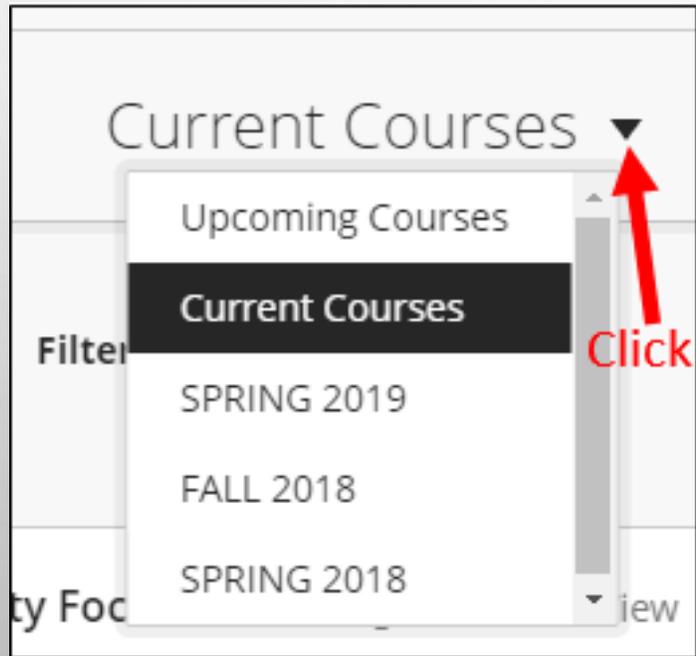
- Make course private: students will see it on course list, but won't be able to access.
- Hide Course: hide the course from your course list



The screenshot shows the 'Current Courses' section of the LAU course management system. At the top, there are tabs for 'Current Courses' and 'Upcoming Courses'. Below the tabs, there are filters for 'All Courses' and '50 items per page'. A course titled 'Focus 2018 Original Course View' is listed. To the right of the course title, there is a star icon and a three-dot menu icon. A red arrow labeled 'Click' points to the three-dot menu icon. A red oval highlights the dropdown menu that appears, containing two options: 'Make course private' (with a lock icon) and 'Hide course' (with an eye icon).

COURSES

Can filter and search to help locate desired course



Current Courses ▼

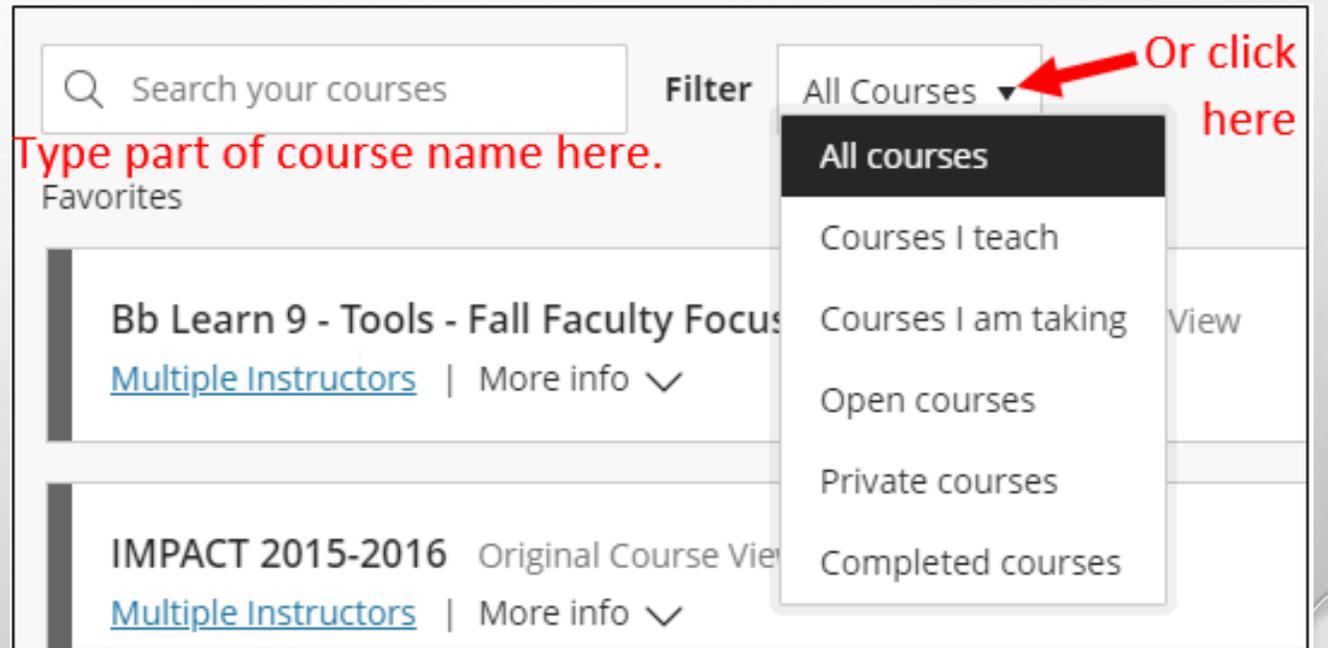
- Upcoming Courses
- Current Courses**
- SPRING 2019
- FALL 2018
- SPRING 2018

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Click



Search your courses

Filter

All Courses ▼

Or click here

- All courses
- Courses I teach
- Courses I am taking View
- Open courses
- Private courses
- Completed courses

Type part of course name here.

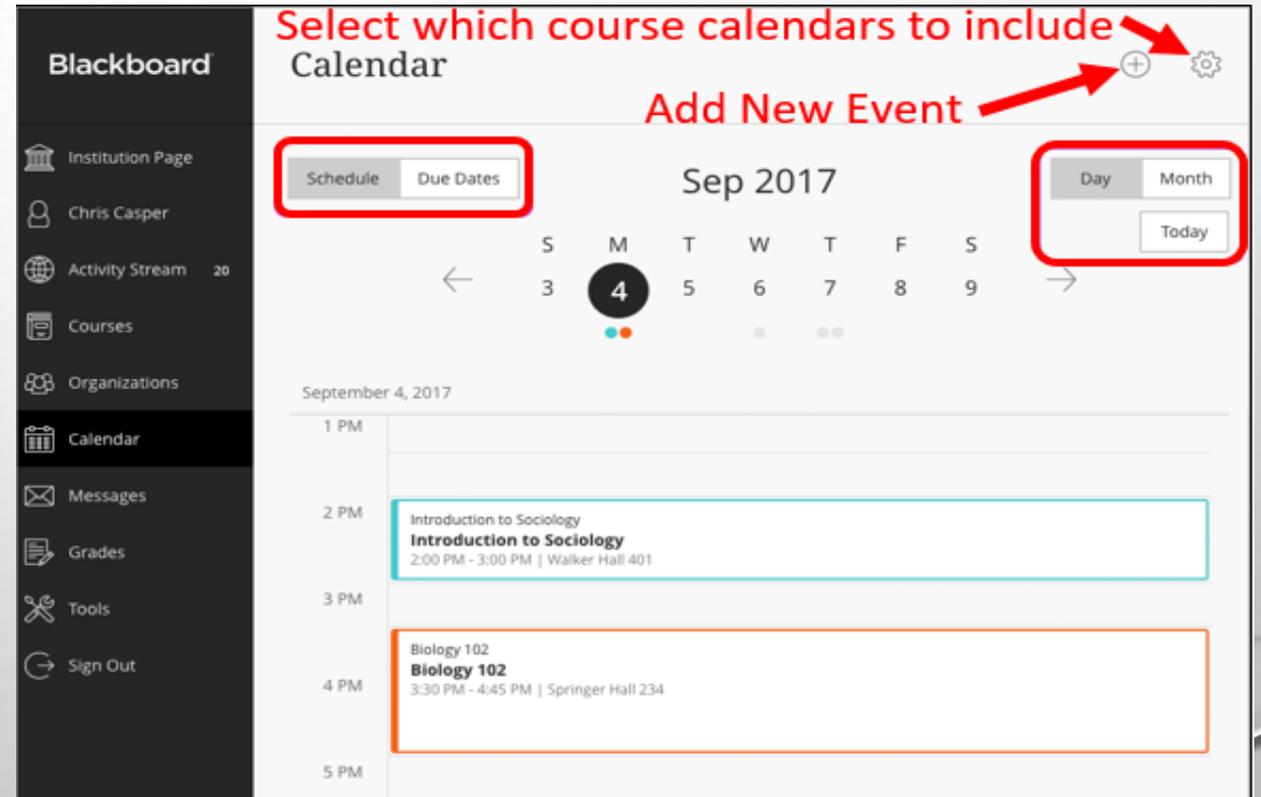
Favorites

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IMPACT 2015-2016 Original Course View
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CALENDAR

- View course events and due dates for all your courses.
- Color-coded by course (course name shows in the event details)
- Add personal events (which only you would see)
- Day & month views
- Due dates view vs. Schedule view
 - Due dates based on due dates within assignments, tests, grade center columns, etc.



The screenshot shows the Blackboard interface for a user named Chris Casper. The left sidebar contains navigation options: Institution Page, Activity Stream (20), Courses, Organizations, Calendar (selected), Messages, Grades, Tools, and Sign Out. The main content area is titled "Select which course calendars to include" and "Calendar". It features a "Schedule" button (highlighted with a red box) and a "Due Dates" button. Below these is a calendar for September 2017, with the 4th highlighted. A "Day" view button (highlighted with a red box) and a "Month" view button are also present. The calendar shows two events on September 4, 2017: "Introduction to Sociology" (2:00 PM - 3:00 PM | Walker Hall 401) and "Biology 102" (3:30 PM - 4:45 PM | Springer Hall 234). Red arrows point to the "Add New Event" (+) icon and the "Select which course calendars to include" text.

CALENDAR

• VIEW COURSE EVENTS AND DUE DATES FOR ALL YOUR COURSES.

• Plus icon



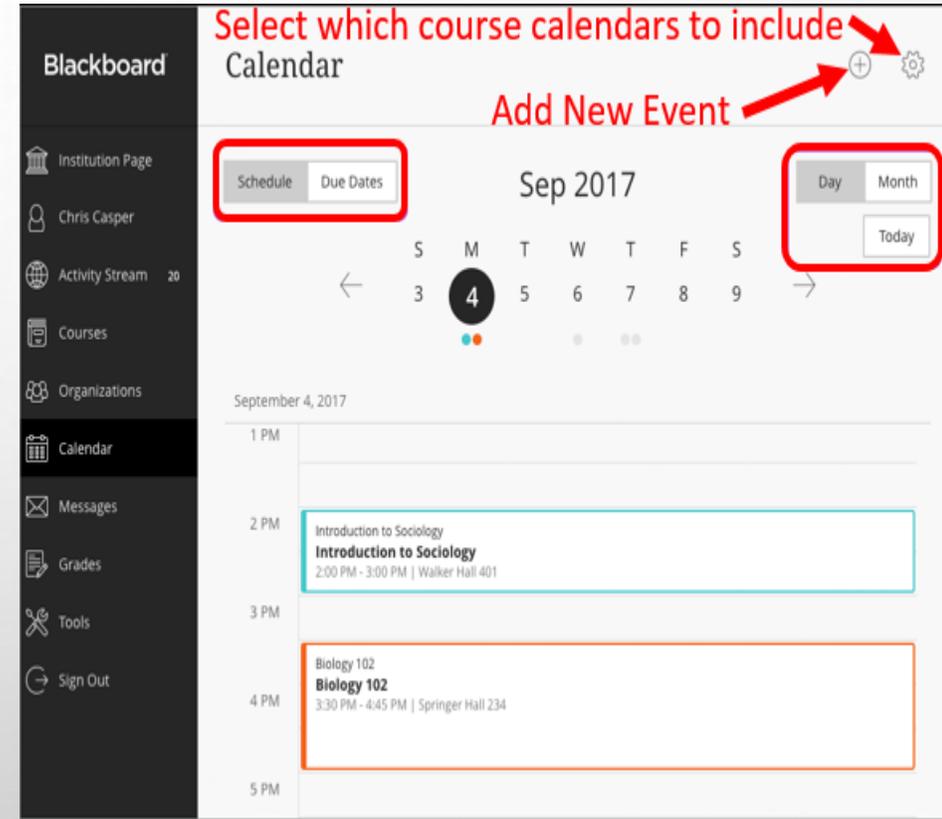
- Add event – can apply to all, personal, or any course calendar(s)
- Edit course schedule – can add multiple course schedule items to the same course (such as one for the time/days for the lecture meetings and another for the labs)
- Add office hours – can apply to all, personal, or any course calendar(s)

• Edit event - select the title of an event you added to change its details.

• Drag & drop events in month view

• Settings (gear icon) – to select which course’s calendar details you wish to display in the global calendar

• [Calendar Help](#)



Blackboard
Calendar

Select which course calendars to include

Add New Event

Schedule Due Dates

Sep 2017

Day Month

Today

September 4, 2017

1 PM

2 PM
Introduction to Sociology
2:00 PM - 3:00 PM | Walker Hall 401

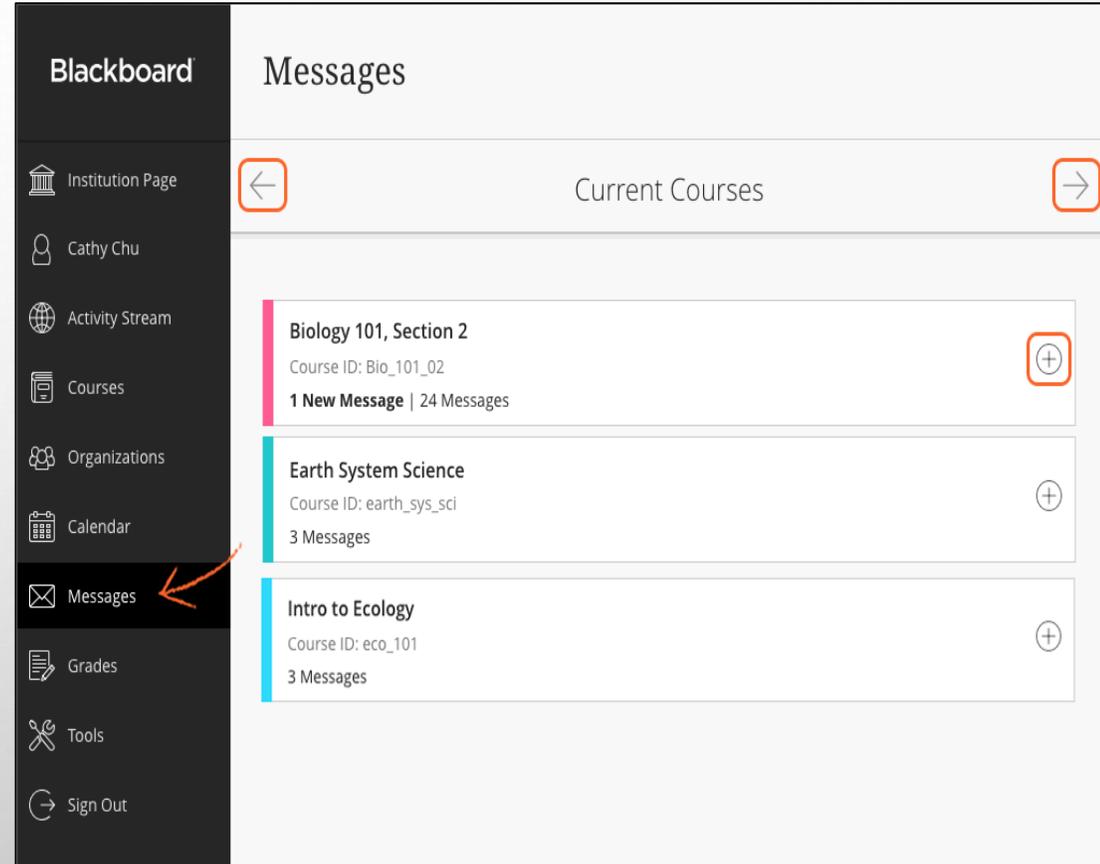
3 PM

4 PM
Biology 102
3:30 PM - 4:45 PM | Springer Hall 234

5 PM

MESSAGES

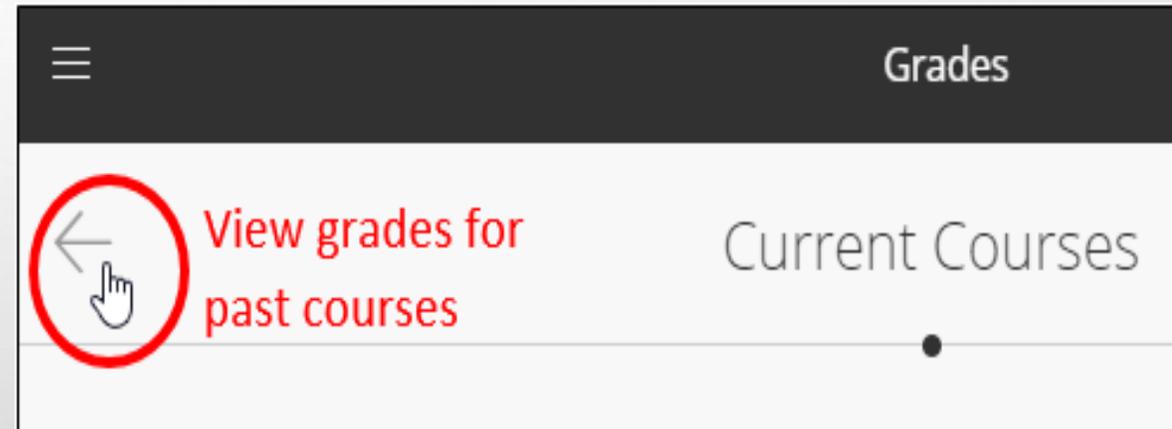
- Course messages are private and secure text-based communication that occurs within your course among course members.
- Shows how many total messages you have in each course.
- The most recent messages for each course appear first.
- Messages also appear in Activity Stream.
- Use plus icon to quickly send messages to all students about important deadlines and schedule changes.
- Messages activity remains inside the system.
- Use the arrows to navigate to another time period. (For example, view messages from past courses that you want to reuse.)
- [Message Help](#)



The screenshot shows the Blackboard Messages interface. On the left is a dark sidebar with navigation options: Institution Page, Cathy Chu, Activity Stream, Courses, Organizations, Calendar, Messages (highlighted with an orange arrow), Grades, Tools, and Sign Out. The main content area is titled 'Messages' and shows a list of 'Current Courses'. The first course is 'Biology 101, Section 2' (Course ID: Bio_101_02) with '1 New Message | 24 Messages' and a plus icon. The second is 'Earth System Science' (Course ID: earth_sys_sci) with '3 Messages' and a plus icon. The third is 'Intro to Ecology' (Course ID: eco_101) with '3 Messages' and a plus icon. Navigation arrows are visible at the top of the course list.

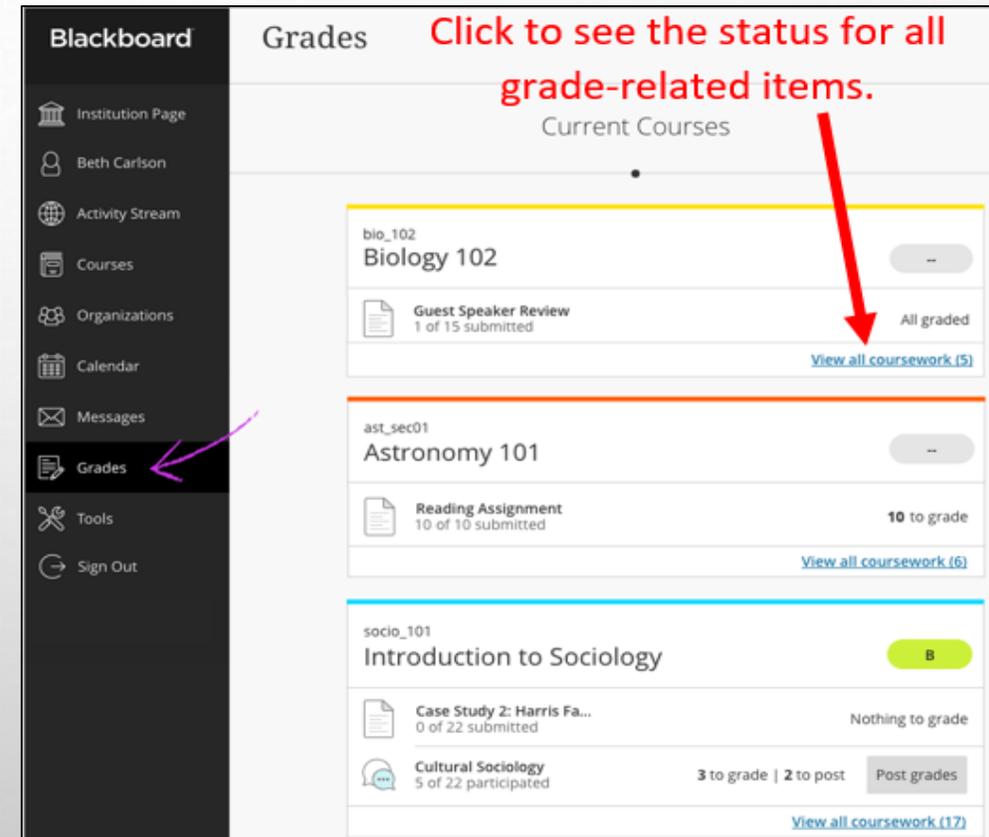
GRADES - STUDENTS

- See a list of recent grades and overall grade for each course
- Select any item in any course to view details
- Can also see newly posted grades in activity stream



GRADES - INSTRUCTORS

- Displays only info on which you need to take action, globally for all your courses
- See items that are ready to grade or which assignments, tests, and graded discussions are overdue for how many students.
- See the average course grade
- Original course view – most links go to grade center in the course
- View all coursework – expands to list all columns from grade center in the course card
- [Grade Help](#)



The screenshot shows the Blackboard interface for the 'Grades' section. On the left is a navigation menu with 'Grades' highlighted. The main content area is titled 'Grades' and 'Click to see the status for all grade-related items.' Below this, it says 'Current Courses'. There are three course cards:

- bio_102 Biology 102**: Shows 'Guest Speaker Review' with '1 of 15 submitted' and 'All graded'. A red arrow points to the 'View all coursework (5)' link.
- ast_sec01 Astronomy 101**: Shows 'Reading Assignment' with '10 of 10 submitted' and '10 to grade'. A purple arrow points to the 'Grades' link in the left menu. A 'View all coursework (6)' link is at the bottom.
- socio_101 Introduction to Sociology**: Shows 'Case Study 2: Harris Fa...' with '0 of 22 submitted' and 'Nothing to grade'. It also shows 'Cultural Sociology' with '5 of 22 participated', '3 to grade | 2 to post', and 'Post grades'. A 'View all coursework (17)' link is at the bottom.

BLACKBOARD ULTRA BASE NAVIGATION RESOURCES

- Help icon 
(lower right corner on bb ultra nav pages)
- Bb learn help for ultra base navigation
 - https://help.Blackboard.Com/learn/administrator/saas/user_interface_options/ultra_experience/base_navigation