Rubrics

Rubrics enable efficient, consistent grading of submitted assignments, journals, and discussion boards. The rubric is 'clickable', allowing for dynamic entry of feedback and ratings. Instructors can choose from 4 types (percentage, point, point range, and no-point), as well as assign weights to categories. The same rubric can be assigned to multiple gradable items. Instructors can also choose to have the rubric viewable by students. Rubrics can be exported and imported for use across courses. Blackboard 9.1 allows you to integrate assessment rubrics into the grading process.

Example of Discussion Board Rubric View

Create a Rubric

- From Control Panel, select (click) on Course Tools, scroll down and click Rubrics, on the rubrics screen, select (click) Create Rubric on the top left hand side of the screen.
- Type in a name for the rubric. Suggest that you also type in a Description of the rubric making it easier to associate the rubric to other assignments.

Rubric Detail

The rubric template detail uses Percent by default, you can also select one of the other options: No Points, Points, Point Range or Percent Range.

- A rubric template is provided displaying three assessment rows (“Criteria”) and three columns (“Levels of Achievement”).
  - Additional rows and columns can be added using the Add Row or Add Column button located under Rubric Type.
  - Rows and/or columns can be re-ordered using the applicable buttons to the right of each label.
You can also rename or delete a row or column by clicking the chevron to the right of the name.

- Enter the weighting, achievement, and scoring values, type in a clear description for each criteria.
- Blackboard calculates the Total Weight for you... all done, click Submit.

**Attaching Rubrics to Gradable Assignments (Discussion Boards, or Journals)**

Similar to tests, rubrics reside in the Control Panel, Course Tools, and Rubrics area. As you create graded assignments, journals, or discussion board forums you have the opportunity to add a rubric to the assignment under the Grade Points option.

You can also select the option to allow students to view the rubric in Blackboard by selecting “Show Rubric to Students.”

Option: Yes with rubric scores; Yes (without rubric scores; After grading; or No.