

Blackboard Ultra Introduction

Blackboard Learn Ultra Conversion

- Blackboard is 26 years old
 - Similar to other LMS (Canvas, etc.)
- NDUS Blackboard contract extended
 - Most NDUS institutions have already moved to Ultra
 - Phased approach 2024 – 2025
 - New Faculty and New Courses create in Ultra
 - Full conversion completion tentative Spring 2026
 - Fall 24 over 200 Courses have converted to Ultra

Bb Ultra Highlights

- More accessible and fully responsive on any device
- Clean, modern and professional look
- Content displayed on a single page
- Grades are kept private until instructors are ready to post them
- Automatically assigns zeros to items past due dates
- Set accommodations for a student once, applying to all assessments
- Course announcements appear as popups for students
- and more...

Course Content

- Course content is still available to copy into Ultra
- Enhanced copy process to bring over what you need from any past course
- Recommend faculty attend training on new copy method and course structure
- NDSU instructional tools available in Original will be in Ultra

Learning Module

- Use the new learning module feature to support course objectives, concepts, or theme
- Forced Sequence
- Breaking a unit into smaller learning concepts

Original Course View

Faculty Certificate - Designing and Developing Quality Courses*

Announcements

Course Facilitators

Course Content

My Grades

Feedback

Tools

Course Management

Control Panel

Content

Course Tools

Evaluation

Grade Center

Users and Groups

Customization

Packages and Utilities

Help

Announcements

New Announcements appear directly below the repositionable bar. Reorder by dragging announcements to new positions. Move priority announcements above the repositionable bar to pin them to the top of the list and prevent new announcements from superseding them. The order shown here is the order presented to students. Students do not see the bar and cannot reorder announcements.

Create Announcement

Posted by: ademola amida
Instructor
Posted to: Faculty Certificate - Designing and Developing Quality Courses*

Posted on: Wednesday, September 6, 2023 10:53:23 AM CDT

Welcome to the Designing and Developing Quality Courses certificate course!

We are pleased to announce the availability of our Designing and Developing Quality Courses. We encourage you to navigate through the sections of this course site to gain familiarity with the main features.

Navigation:

- **Course Facilitators** - Instructor welcome and contact information
- **Course Content** - About this course, course tools information, and learning modules (your content, readings & resources, links to discussion, practice activities, links to assessments)
- **My Grades** - Information about your grade
- **Feedback** - Links to provide your feedback once the course is completed and notify the facilitators about your completion.
- **Tools** - Provide the list of tools available to use within this course.

Where to start?

- Navigate to Modules (left side menu) - Module 0: Getting Started
- Read the overview and learning outcomes for the course.
- Introduce yourself by completing the discussion icebreaker
- Review the assessment requirements for the course

Ultra Course View

Learn Teaching Essentials for Ultra (v15)

Content Calendar Announcements Discussions Gradebook Messages Analytics Groups

Course Faculty

ademola amida
Instructor

Sarah Andrew
Instructor

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Details & Actions

- Roster
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[Manage banks](#)

Course Content

Learn Essentials for Ultra Course Guide.pdf (This is hidden from students.)
Hidden from students
Details how to convert to a non-facilitated course.

Welcome
Visible to students
Start here to begin this course. This page includes critical information about this course.

About This Course
Visible to students
This section includes critical information about this course and how to get started.

Welcome (Non-facilitated Course)
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Module 1: Get Started with Ultra
Visible to students

Ultra Course Experience Demo

NDSU1-DEV-LORI-TPD-ULTRA

LAIC Ultra Demo Course

Course Settings

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Student Preview



Course Faculty



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INSTRUCTOR



Tamara Cummings

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Class Collaborate

Course Content



About This Course

Visible to students



Topic 1: Online Learning and the Facilitator - Learning Module Style

Visible to students



Topic 2: Learning Styles and the Online Learner - Folder Style

Visible to students



Topic 3: Communication in the Online Classroom

Visible to students



Topic 4: Facilitating Collaborative Activities

Visible to students



Thank you