



Introduction to Blackboard

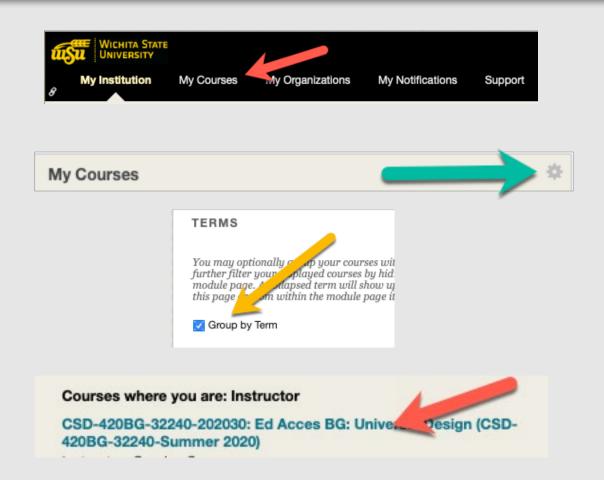
Today's agenda

- Finding classes
- Availability
- Announcements
- Items
- File uploads



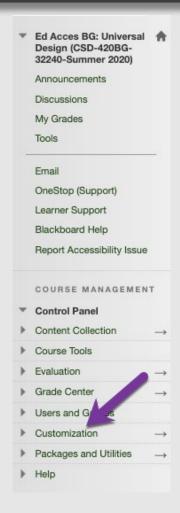
Finding your classes

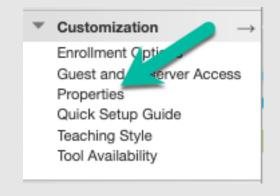
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- Choose My Courses
- Organize your classes by term
- Click on titles to enter

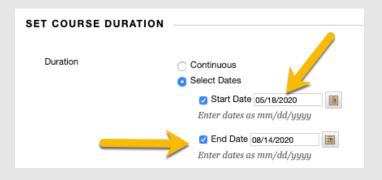


Availability of Blackboard classes

- All classes available at least 30 days before the start of a term
- You can request a development shell earlier if you need
- You can change the dates of your class to open and close at different times



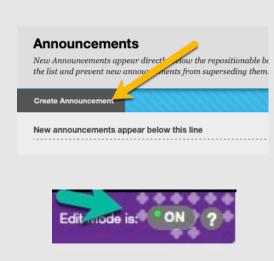


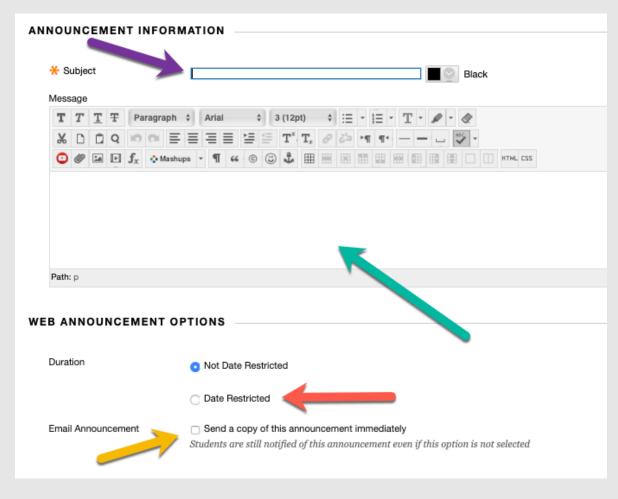




Announcements

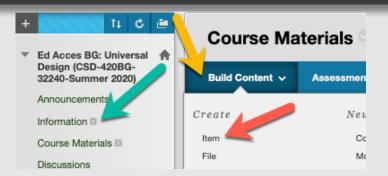
- Announcements add "presence" to your class
- Efficient way to email
- Can be scheduled, but don't combine with email!

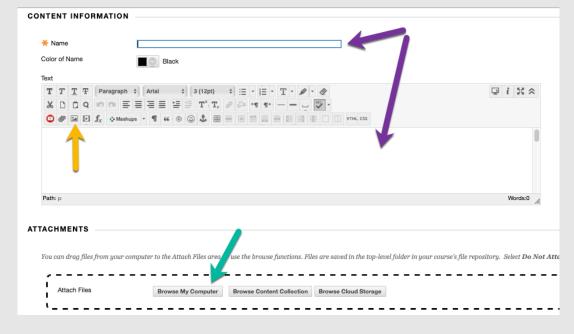




Items

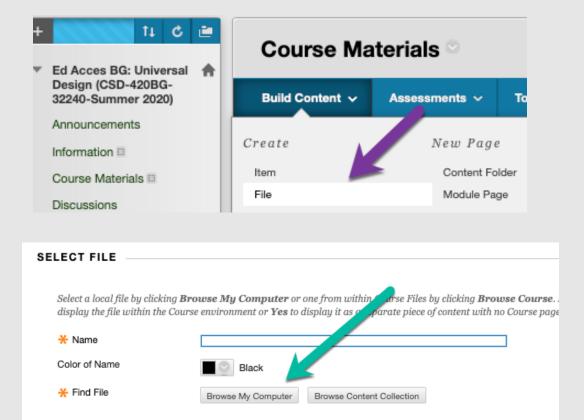
- Found in information and course materials
- Items allow text, images, files, and web links
- Reordering





File uploads

- Files can be uploaded on their own, not in an item
- Useful if there is nothing you need to say about them



Next steps

- Practice! Request a development shell if needed
- Blackboard intermediate is your next training step
- Blackboard advanced has several options by topic
- Download or bookmark our Blackboard Instructor Guide and training pages from wichita.edu/IDA and choosing "Blackboard Training"



