

Blackboard 9.1: Level I

Handout Objectives

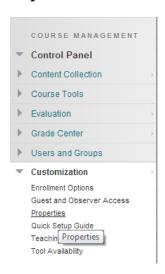
- I. Making course "Available"
- II. Creating "Announcements"
- III. Inserting "Staff Information"
- IV. Uploading "Course Documents"
- V. Creating "Assignments"
- VI. How to Send Emails to Students
- VII. Creating Discussion Forums

I. Making course "Available"

Step 1 – Under My Courses click on the Course Link



Step 2 – In the Control Panel under Customization click on Properties.



Step 3 – Under Set Availability to make course available, click Yes.



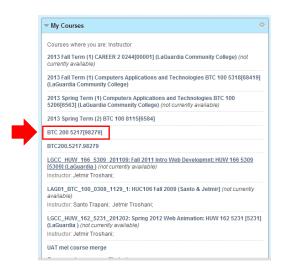
Step 4 – To Complete Process on the bottom right click Submit.

7. Submit

Click Submit to proceed. Click Cancel to quit.

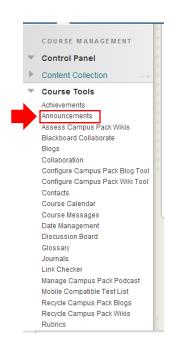


Step 5 – Your course is now available. (You can see the "*Unavailable*" is no longer showing up next to the course.)



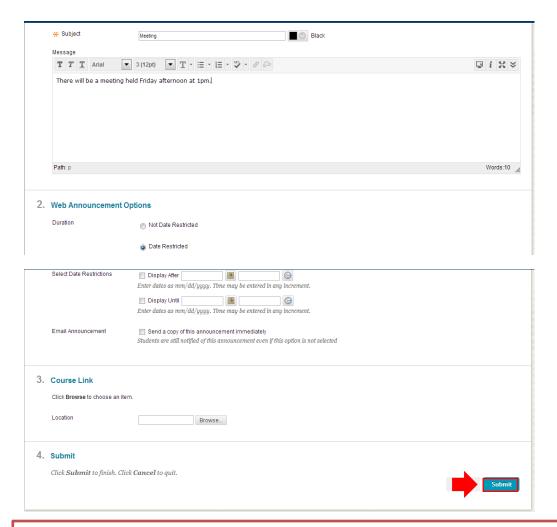
II. Creating "Announcements"

 $\textbf{Step 1} - \textbf{Once you have made your course Available. Select \textbf{Announcements} (in the menu) then click \textbf{Create Announcements}.$





Step 2 –Fill out announcements information then click Submit.



Always click "Cancel" or "Submit" when complete. Try not to use the back & forward buttons in the browser.

Step 3 – To delete click the Arrow Tab located next to the Announcement.

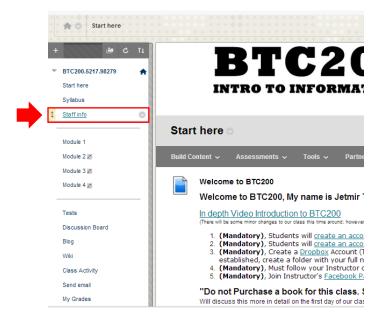


Step 4 – (Optional) to see what your students will see be sure to turn off "edit mode" Can be found in the upper right corner under the navigation menu.

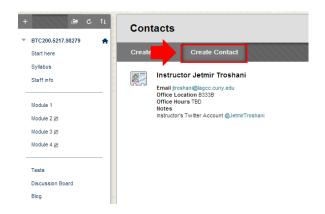


III. Inserting "Staff Information"

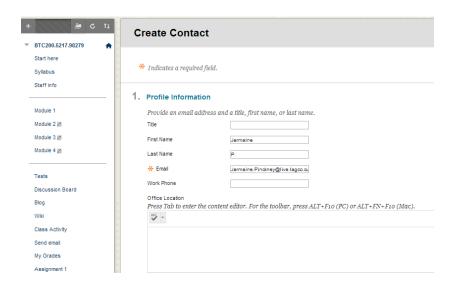
Step 1 - Once you have accessed you course click Staff Info



Step 2 - Click on Create Contact



Step 3 - Fill out the necessary fields.



Only required field is your email, all others are optional.

Step 4 - Click Submit

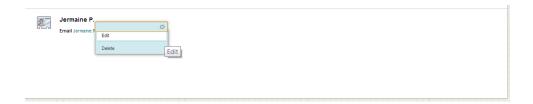


Step 5 - Your profile will look as shown below



You may also upload a picture of yourself if you so choose. It just adds to the course for the student, to have a face to their instructor.

Step 6 - To edit or delete select the double arrow.

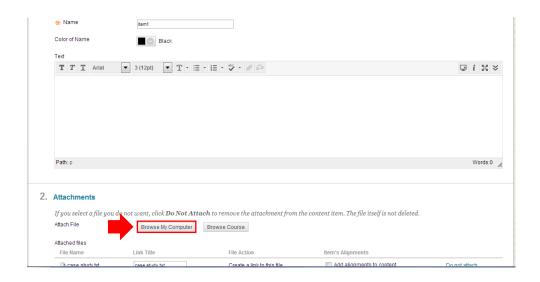


IV. Uploading Course "Documents"

Step 1 - Once you have accessed your course hover over build content – create and select item



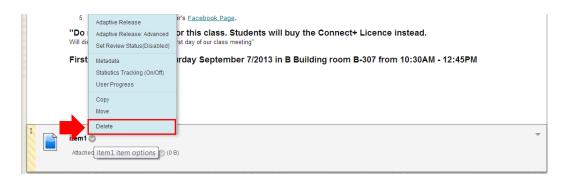
Step 2 - Title your document, select Browse My Computer to upload.



Step 3 - Click Submit

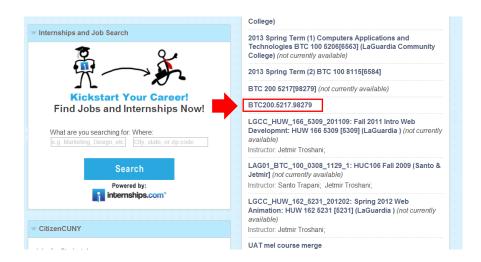


Step 4 - To delete hover over Double Arrows and Delete

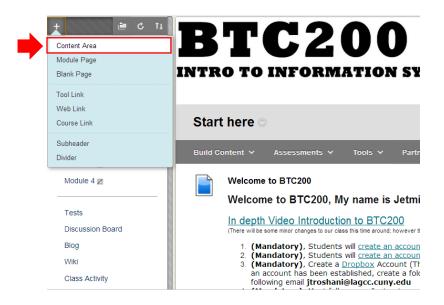


v. Creating "Assignments"

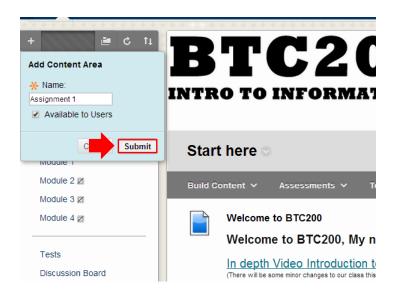
Step 1 - Click on your Course



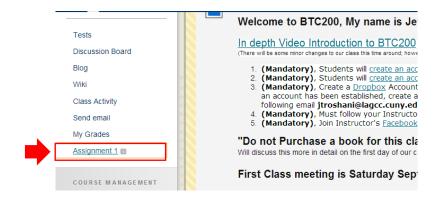
Step 2 - To create a link for easier access to assignments hover over **Plus Sign** and select **Content Area**.



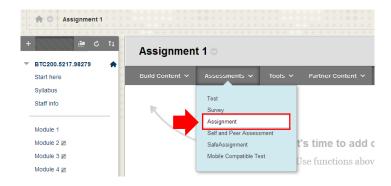
Step 3 - Fill in the Name/Assignment and click to Make Available to users then click Submit.



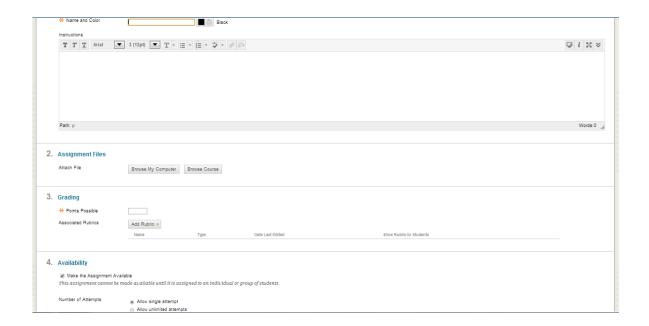
Step 4 - Click the new Assignment Link on the left panel



Step 5 - Hover over Assessments and click Assignment



 $Step \ 6 - Fill \ out \ the \ necessary \ fields.$



Step 7 - Click Submit



Step 8 - Your assignment should look as shown below.

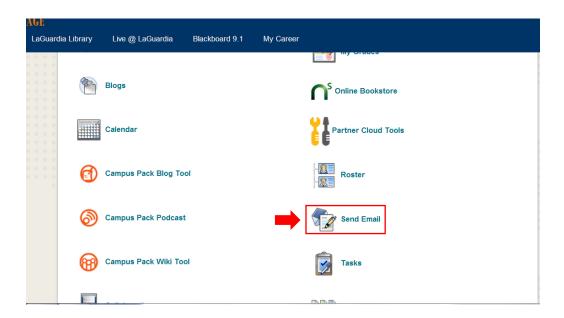


VI. How to send Emails to Students

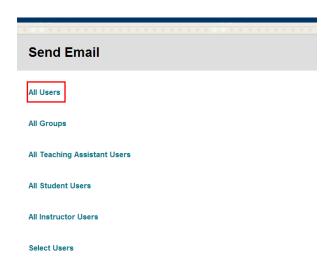
Step 1 – To begin Click **Tools** from the course menu.



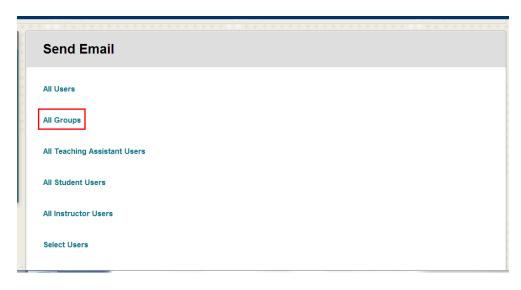
Step 2 – Click Send Email



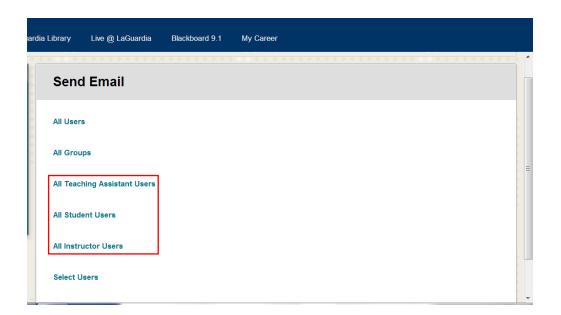
Step 3 – You have the option to send emails to All Users in your course.



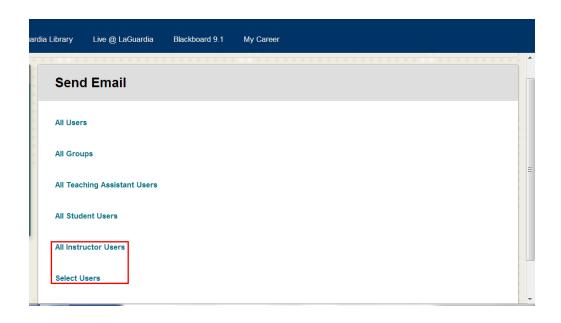
Step 4 – You have the option to send emails to **All Groups**.



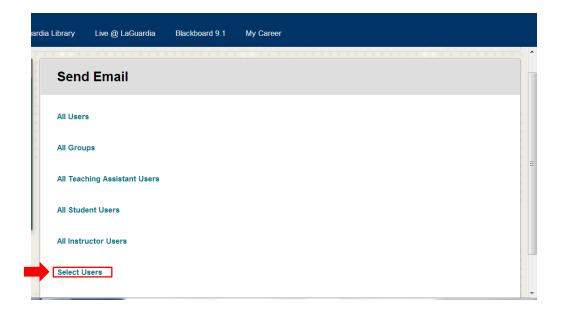
Step 5 – You have the option to send emails to different users such as Teaching Assistants Users, Students Users and Instructors Users.



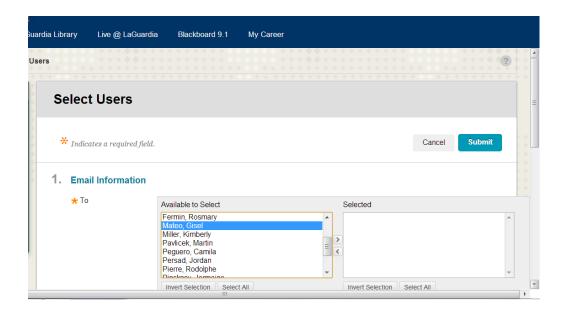
Step 6 – You have the option to send emails to Selected Users or Selected Groups.



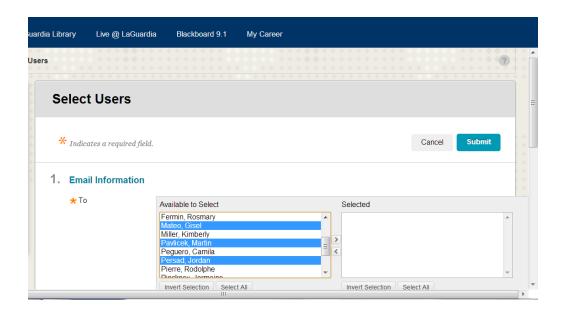
Step 7- Send the email to Selected Users, Click Select Users



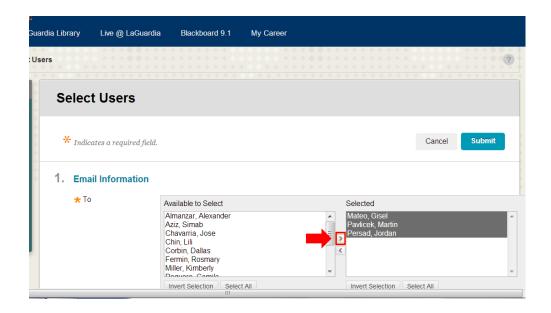
Step 8 – Choose your recipients in the Available to Select box and move them to the Selected item box.



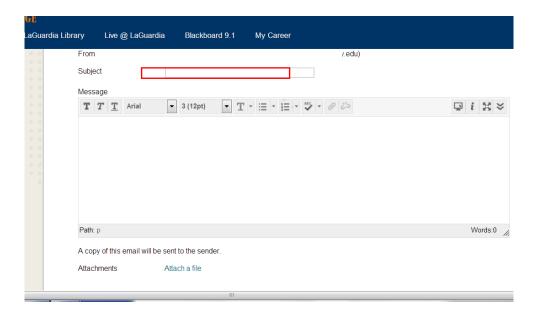
Step 9 – Hold down on the Control key (Ctrl) on the PC or the Command Key on the MAC to select multiple users.



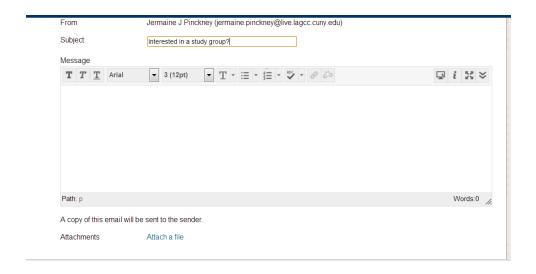
Step 10 – Click the arrow that's facing the right as shown the picture below.



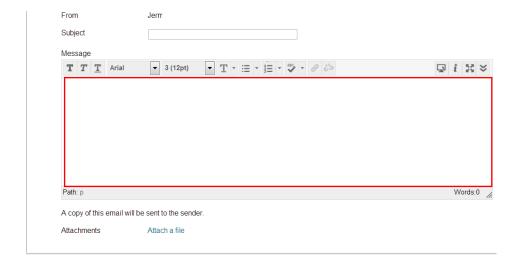
Step 11 – Type the Subject of the email.



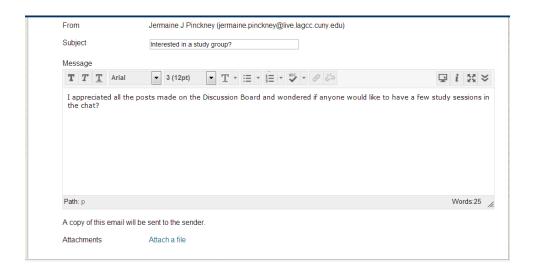
Step 12 – The Subject of the email should look like the picture below.



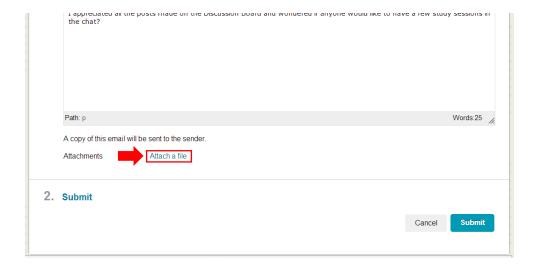
Step 13 – Then compose your message.



Step 14 – Your message should look like the picture below.



Step 15 – You have the options to add attachments. Click Attach a file.



Step 16 – Click Submit

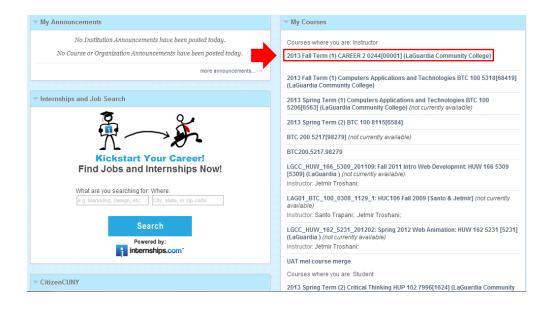


Step 17 – A notice will appear that indicate that Email was sent Successfully.

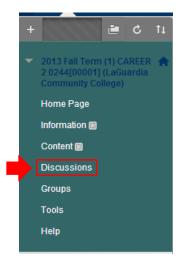


VII. Creating Discussion Forums

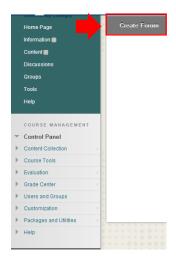
Step 1 - To create a Discussion Board/Forum access your course.



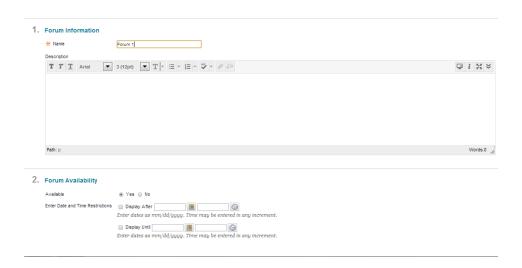
 $\begin{tabular}{ll} Step 2 - Select the Discussions Link \\ \end{tabular}$



Step 3 - Click Create Forum.



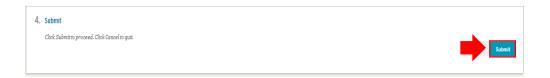
Step 4 - Enter the Name, Description and make forum Available for users to view



Step 5 - Be sure to select any specific settings you may like offered to students



$\textbf{Step 6-Click Submit} \ \text{when finished}$



End of Handout Objectives.

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