

**myCourses Vocabulary Reference Sheet**

Course Menu Links	Description
Course Menu	The list of links that appear along the left side of a course site.
Content Area	Top-level organizational units of a course that hold all of your course materials.
Module Page (What's New)	Page that displays announcements and course site changes to students.
Blank Page	Creates a virtual document space for instructors to add text, images, or other media.
Tool Link	Point students to specific useful places like their grades page, email, or the calendar.
Web Link	Adds a link to the course menu that, when clicked, takes students to a web site.
Course Link	Link to an existing area or piece of content that already exists in your course site.
Subheader	Text headers that can be used to visually break up your course menu links.
Divider	Horizontal lines that accompany subheaders to visually break up the course menu links.

Tool Links	Description
Announcements	Class-wide messages that appear on the course site and can also be pushed by email.
Blackboard Collaborate	Synchronous online meeting space where you can host office hours and live sessions.
Calendar	Provides a block calendar view of any due dates entered by the instructor.
Course Messages	Internal mail tool for instructors and students. All messages remain in the course site.
Email	Mail form that allows students and instructors to send emails to each other via Zimbra.
My Grades	Page where students can view grades and feedback provided by the instructor.

Content Area Options	Description
Item	Text heading that displays within a content area page.
File	Upload PDF files, word documents, PowerPoint files, or any other attachable files.
Web Link	Add a link to a website on the internet.
Course Link	Link to an existing area or piece of content that already exists in your course site.
Content Folder	Additional level of organization, much like folders on a computer.
Learning Module	Organizes content into a virtual book that displays each piece of content one at a time.
Blank Page	Creates a virtual document space for instructors to add text, images, or other media.
Mashups	These tools allow you to import or create multimedia in your course site.

Assessment Tools	Description
Test	Deliver a series of graded questions. Options can be set for availability, timer, and more.
Survey	Same options as a test, but data collection and evaluation is anonymous.
Assignment	Typically used to accept private file submissions like papers or presentations.
Self and Peer Assessment	Facilitates the submission of student work and peer evaluation.

Interactivity Tools	Description
Discussion Board	Facilitates threaded back-and-forth discussions about a topic or idea.
Blog	Facilitates a series of longer student posts that all students can see and comment on.
Journal	Similar to blogs, but only the instructor sees student posts. Typically used for reflection.
Wiki	Allows students to collaborate on web pages that live on a centralized menu.