



Creating a Content Area

Introduction

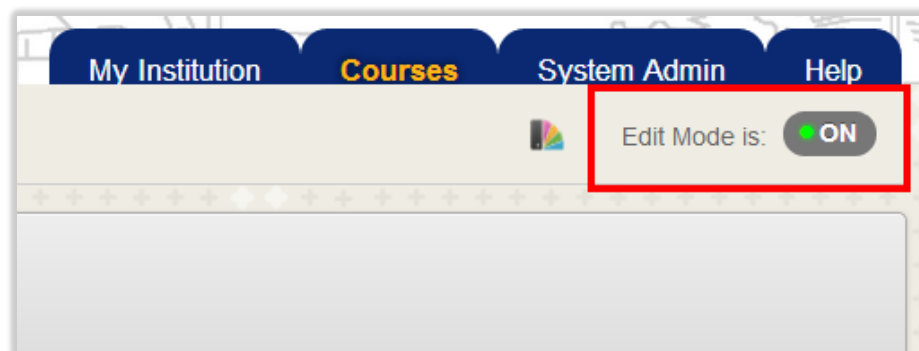
You can create content areas to serve as containers for your course material. Content areas enable you to present various types of content in an organized and engaging way.

- The top-level course areas are called content areas, which are created, linked, and managed on the course menu. Typically, courses contain multiple content areas.
- The next level of course areas includes folders, learning modules and lesson plans. You create these course areas within an existing content area or other course area.

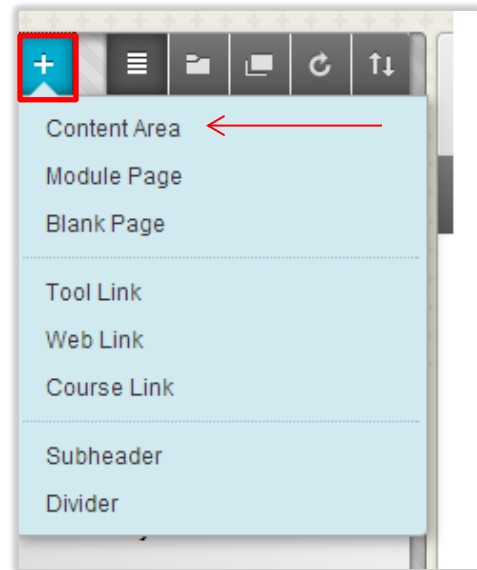
Once you create a content area, you can create content items within it to present your course material. You can include content such as text, file attachments, links to websites, tests, assignments, and multimedia.

For example, you can create a content area called “Week One” that contains a learning module for “Chapter One” of your course’s textbook. This learning module contains reading materials, assignments, tests, and links to tools to help student accomplish the learning objectives for each unit.

Step 1: Once in the course space, make sure Edit Mode is ON

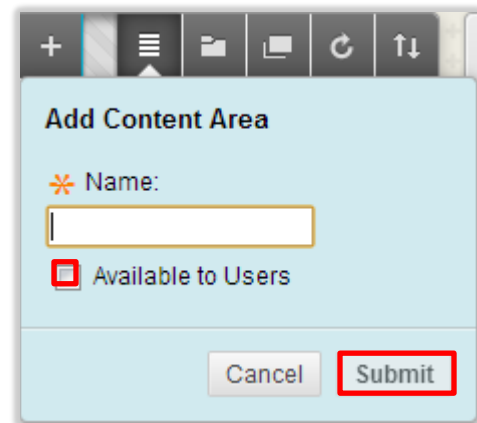


Step 2: Once the “+” symbol appears atop the course menu, click to view a list of items to be added. Select Content Area.



Step 3: To finish adding the Content Area to your Course Menu, you will need to provide a name for it. As mentioned in the example above, “Week One” could be used.

Step 4: Be sure to make the item “Available to Users”, and then click “Submit”.



Conclusion

We hope this guide was helpful.

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