



NS ONLINE RUBRIC

Become familiar with creating rubrics, associating rubrics with discussions and assignments, and grading using a rubric.

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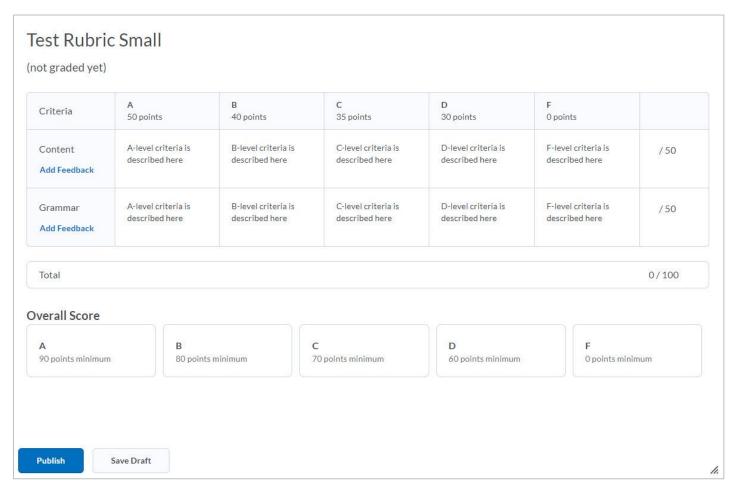
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Grading with a Rubric – Instructor View

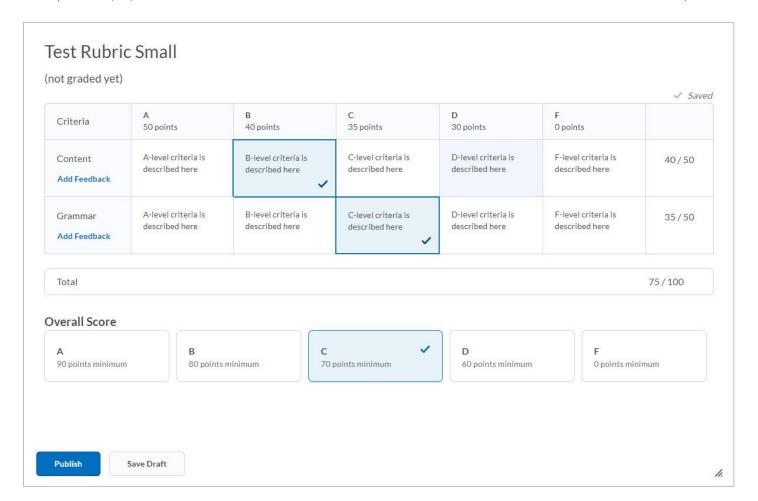
How does grading with a rubric assist instructors? Grading with a rubric allows instructors to efficiently and consistently assess student work. On a completed rubric attached to a grade item, instructors click on the description that most accurately reflects the student's work. The rubric tallies up the final score and, when the instructor clicks "Publish," transfers the score to the gradebook. For the instructor, a rubric about to be graded looks like this:



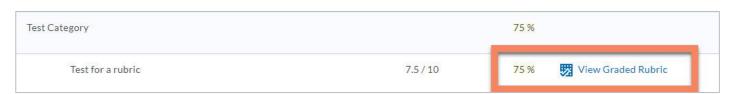
To grade the rubric, the instructor uses a mouse to click the boxes that best reflect the student's performance. The rubric calculates the points, like so:







When the instructor clicks **Publish**, the rubric grade is transferred to the gradebook. The student is able to see both the final grade and the graded rubric:



Planning

Download the **Rubric Worksheet**:

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Level 4 Name:	Level 3 Name:	Level 2 Name:	Level 1 Name:
Description	Description	Description	Description
Feedback	Feedback	Feedback	Feedback
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Fill out the worksheet completely before moving on to <u>Create a Rubric</u>. Note that your rubric may require more or fewer levels; it may also require more or fewer criteria. Feedback is optional.

Level Options

While you have freedom over how you choose to label your levels, consider the options below:

Exemplary	Level 1	
Satisfactory	Level 2	Mastered
Unsatisfactory	Level 3 etc.	Partially Proficient
*	*	Developing
Exception al Good Average Poor *	Exemplary Mastery Developing Beginning Incomplete *	Not Demonstrated * Accomplished Competent Developing Beginning *

Notice in the sample below that only three of the four criteria levels were used and that feedback is only provided for certain descriptions:

Rubric Name: Discussion Participation Rubric					
Rubric Description: This rubric will be used to evaluate and assign a grade to each required discussion in this					
course. Please read each criterion carefully before submitting.					
Criteria	Level 4 Name:	Level 3 Name:	Level 2 Name:	Level 1 Name:	
Criteria		Exceptional	Good	Needs Work	
Criteria 1 Name:	Description	Description	Description	Description	
Quantity and		Submitted one	Submitted one	Submitted only one	
Timeliness		discussion post and	discussion post and	discussion post before the deadline.	
		two responses before the	one response before the deadline.	before the deadline.	
		deadline.	before the deadline.		
	Feedback	Feedback	Feedback	Feedback	
				To receive full	
				credit, you must	
				respond to 2	
				classmates.	
Criteria 2 Name: Spelling and	Description	Description Free of	Description	Description Numerous	
Mechanics		grammatical,	Some grammatical, spelling, or	grammatical,	
iviecitatiics		spelling, or	punctuation errors,	spelling, or	
		punctuation errors.	but did not inhibit	punctuation errors	
		'	understanding.	that inhibit	
				understanding.	
	Feedback	Feedback	Feedback	Feedback	
			Spend a little bit		
			more time proofreading.		
Criteria 3 Name:	Description	Description	Description	Description	
Demonstrates	Description	Displayed excellent	Summarized basic,	Showed little or no	
knowledge and		understanding by	correct information,	evidence that	
understanding of		including real life	but did not connect	content was read or	
content		applications.	to real life	understood.	
			applications.		
	Feedback	Feedback	Feedback	Feedback	
			Discussion the reading with a	If you are having trouble accessing or	
			classmate might	understanding the	
			help you uncover	content, please	
			the real life	email me.	
			applications.		
Total Points:/					



The final decision to make before transferring the rubric to D2L is to determine the scoring. There are two options. The first is to make each criteria under a single level be worth the same amount. This way, all criteria is weighted equally. Note that if you choose to have all criteria weighted equally, you will select the POINTS option in D2L:

Criteria	Exceptional	Good	Needs Work
Quality & Timeliness	5	3	1
Spelling &	5	3	1
Mechanics			
Demonstrates	5	3	1
knowledge and			
understanding			
of			
content			

The second option is to allow individual criteria to be weighted differently. This will allow certain criteria to be worth more than others. In the example below, demonstrating knowledge and understanding of content is the most important criteria, while spelling and mechanics is the least important. Note that if you choose to have all criteria weighted differently, you will select the CUSTOM POINTS option in D2L:

Criteria	Exceptional	Good	Needs Work
Quality & Timeliness	5	3	1
Spelling &	3	2	1
Mechanics			
Demonstrates	10	7	3
knowledge and			
understanding			
of			
content			



Once you have assigned a point value to each level and criteria, complete the worksheet by adding up the total possible points (to do this, add up the total points in the Exceptional [or

c Description: This rubric will	be used to evaluate and assign a	grade to each required discussion in this	course. Please read each criterion of	arefully before submitting.
Criteria	Level 4 Name:	Level 3 Name: Exceptional	Level 2 Name: Good	Level 1 Name: Needs Work
Criteria 1 Name: Quantity and Timeliness	Description	Description Submitted one discussion post and two responses before the deadline.		Description Submitted only one discussion before the deadline.
	Feedback	Feedback	Feedback	Feedback To receive full credit, you mus respond to 2 classmates.
Criteria 2 Name: Spelling and Mechanics	Description	Description Free of grammatical, spelling, or punctuation errors.	Description Some grammatical, spelling, or punctuation errors, but did not inhibit understanding.	Description Numerous grammatical, spelli or punctuation errors that inh understanding.
	Feedback	Feedback	Feedback Spend a little bit more time proofreading.	Feedback
Criteria 3 Name: monstrates knowledge and understanding of content	Description	Description Displayed excellent understanding by including real life applications.	Description Summarized basic, correct information, but did not connect to real life applications.	Description Showed little or no evidence ti content was read or understoo
	Feedback	Feedback	Feedback Discussion the reading with a classmate might help you uncover the real life applications.	Feedback If you are having trouble acces or understanding the content, please email me.

equivalent] column):

Before You Begin

Before you begin creating your rubric, you must first adjust an important setting in your course to ensure that the rubrics you create will be accessible to students. To do this:

1. Click **Edit Course** in the navigation bar:



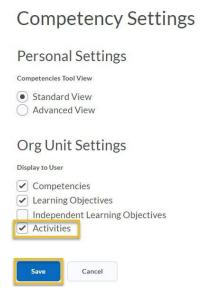
2. Click **Competencies** in the **Assessment** category:







- 3. On the **Competency Home** page, click the **Settings** icon in the upper-right corner:
- 4. Ensure that the **Activities** box in the **Org Unit Settings** is checked. If unchecked, check it. Then click the **Save** button:



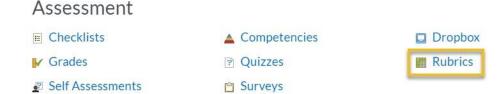
Create a Rubric

Keep your worksheet handy, as you will reference it extensively when creating the rubric. To create a rubric:

1. Click **Edit Course** in the navigation bar:



2. Click the Rubrics icon in the Assessment category:

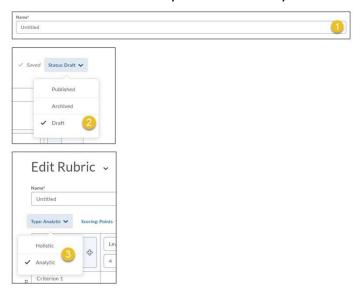






3. Click the New Rubric button:

1. Enter a name for your rubric from your worksheet.



- 2. For now, set the Rubric Status to "Draft" to hide the rubric from students until it is completed.
 - "Published" is the typical status for a rubric in regular use. When a rubric is Published, it is available to be associated with assessments. Rubrics can't be edited while they have the Published status.
 - A rubric with the "Archived" status is not available for new associations, but its existing associations remain functional.
- 3. Chose a **Rubric Type** between **Analytic** and **Holistic**.
 - An analytic rubric breaks performance down into multiple criteria. Each criterion is then
 scored separately, and the overall level of achievement is a combination of these scores.

 If your worksheet contains multiple levels and more than one criteria, then you have
 created an Analytic rubric.
 - A holistic rubric provides a single, holistic description of each overall level of achievement. Performance is then assessed by selecting the most appropriate level. If your worksheet contains only one criteria with multiple levels, you have created a Holistic rubric.
- 4. Use the **plus icons** to set your number of levels and number of criteria to reflect your worksheet. Note that these can be adjusted at a later point, if needed.





Scoring

Scoring options are depended on the Rubric Type. Analytic rubrics will be scored by No Score, Points, or Custom Points. Holistic rubrics will be scored by No Score or Percentages.

• No Score: performance levels are expressed using only text. For example, three performance levels for a rubric could be Poor, Good, and Excellent. Note that students do not receive a number value for their grade.

	Excellent	Good	Poor
Spelling and			
Grammar			
Expression			

• Points: similar to No Score, but includes points to assess performance. For example, three performance levels for a rubric could be Poor (0 points), Good (75 points), and Excellent (125 points).

	Excellent	Good	Poor
Spelling and Grammar	125	75	0
Expression	125	75	0

• Custom Points: The Custom Points scoring method is similar to the Points scoring method, but you can customize the points given for each criterion. For example, if performance levels are "Poor," "Good," and "Excellent," then the criterion "Spelling and Grammar" could be worth 0 points, 10 points, and 20 points for each level, but the criterion "Expression" could be worth 0 points, 30 points, and 60 points, making it worth three times the points for "Spelling and Grammar."

	Excellent	Good	Poor
Spelling and	20	10	0
Grammar			
Expression	60	30	0

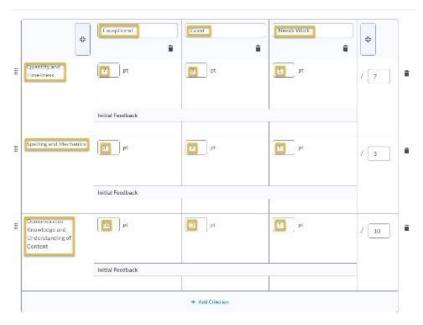
• Percentages (only Holistic): Percentages is similar to points, but measures performance in percentages instead of points. A rubric using the "Percentages" can be automatically assessed based on the score of its associated item (such as a grade item).

NOTE: If you would like to attach a Rubric to a Discussion item, make sure the **Competencies** box is checked in the **Advanced Availability** section.



Levels, Criteria, and Points

You can assign the Level Names, Criteria Names, and point values by clicking in the field and changing the name/point value:





Descriptions and Feedback

Click in the boxes to enter descriptions and feedback for each level, if desired:



Status

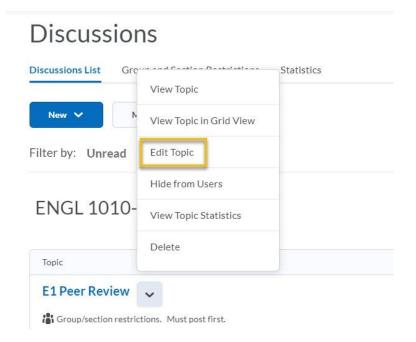
Once you have completed your rubric, return to the **Status** drop-down arrow and set its status to **Published** so that you can associate it with Discussions and Assignments/Dropbox.

Associating and Grading with a Rubric

Discussions - Associating a Rubric

To associate a rubric with a Discussion topic:

1. Locate that topic, click the action arrow, and select **Edit Topic**:

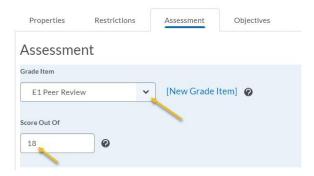




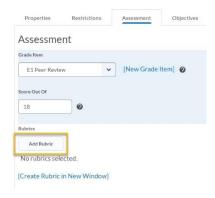
2. Click on the **Assessment** tab:



3. Make sure that if students are to be graded on their discussion, that you have selected a grade item from the dropdown menu and input the max score from your rubric worksheet in the **Score out of** textbox:

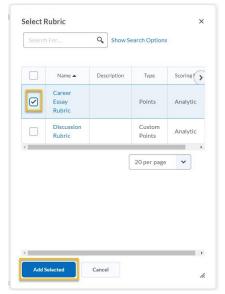


4. Click Add Rubric:





5. This will prompt the **Select Rubric** dialog box. Locate your desired rubric, check the appropriate checkbox, then click **Add Selected**:

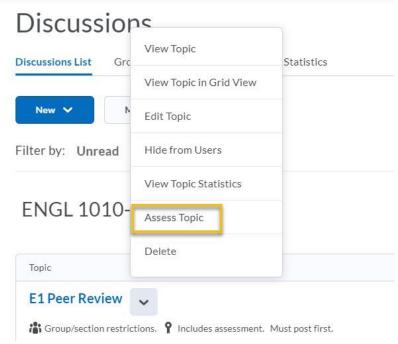


6. Click Save and Close.



Discussions - Grading with a Rubric

1. Locate the topic you wish to grade, click the action arrow, and select **Assess Topic**:

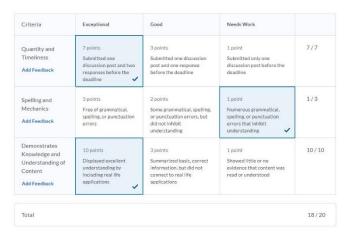


2. Click on **Topic score** for the student you want to assess. This will prompt the **Assess Topic** dialog box. You will be able to view all messages posted by that student:



The rubric that you associated with this assignment will appear in the "Assess Topic" dialog box.

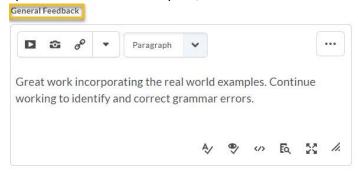
3. Scroll to the bottom of the **Assess Topic** dialog box to read all of the student's posts.



4. Click the appropriate level for each criteria:



5. In the **General Feedback** textbox at the bottom of the **Assess Topic** dialog box, add any feedback specific to the student's post, if desired:

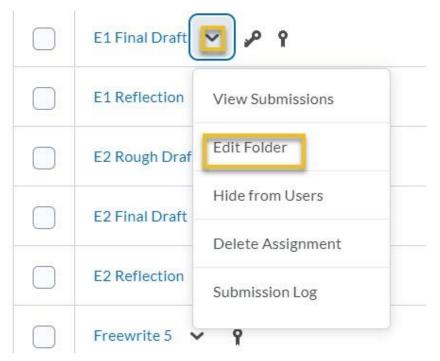


6. Click **Publish** at the bottom of the page.

Assignments/Dropbox - Associating a Rubric

To associate a rubric with an Assignment/Dropbox:

1. Locate that dropbox, click the dropdown arrow, and select **Edit Folder**:



2. Click on the **Properties** tab; (it should open by default):





3. Scroll to the **Evaluation and Feedback** section. Verify that the **Score Out Of** field is complete and that a grade item has been selected from the dropdown menu:

Evaluation and Feedback



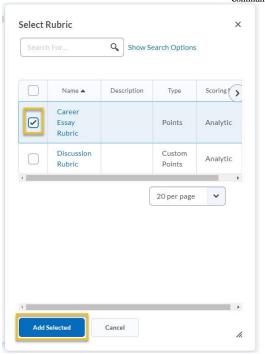
4. Click Add Rubric:



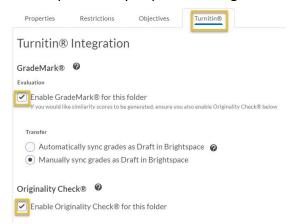
This will prompt the "Select Rubric" dialog box.

5. Locate your desired rubric, check the appropriate checkbox, and then click **Add Selected**:





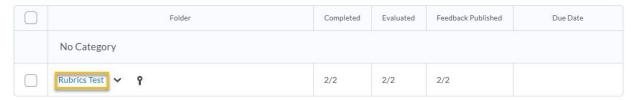
6. Optional: If you plan on using the Turnitin Originality Check, select the Turnitin tab:



7. Click Save and Close.

Grading with a Rubric (without Originality Check)

1. Locate the dropbox you wish to grade, and click the link:



- 2. In the **Users** tab, you will see a list of all student submissions.
- 3. To grade individual assignments within D2L, click on the file you wish to grade:



This will open the **Evaluate Submission** page.

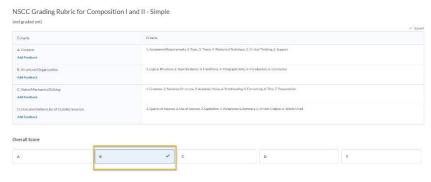
Here, you will see a split screen: on the left is the student's submission; on the right is the instructor's evaluation options.

4. Review the student submission in the left panel, and then click the "[Rubric Name] Rubric" link in the Evaluation panel:



This will prompt the Assess Rubrics dialog box.

5. Click the appropriate level for each criteria.



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NOTE: this is an example of an Analytic, Text Only rubric.

- 6. Click Publish.
- 7. Select the right arrow at the top right-hand side of the page to grade the next student's submission.