# Enter and Edit Grades

Grade Center items can be graded automatically through online tests or manually by the instructor. Grades can be changed and recalculated at any time. Other information about student progress can be entered in the form of comments.

• **Automatically:** Blackboard-generated tests and surveys are scored automatically when completed by the student. Tests receive a **score**, while completed surveys are recorded

as a **checkmark**. 🗹 Instructors may create tests with essay questions. Tests with essay

questions are tagged with an **exclamation point**, See rather than a score. Essay answers must be reviewed by the instructor. The instructor scores the essay question, and Blackboard calculates a grade and enters it in the Grade Center.

• **Manually**: Assignments that need grading are tagged with an exclamation point in the Grade Center. Grades can be entered in the Grade Center cell or from the Grade Detail page. Assignments are first downloaded from the Grade Center, reviewed, then the grades entered directly into the Grade Center by clicking in the cell and entering a grade, or by clicking the **Action Button**, at the top of the column and choosing a grade entry option.

## Manual Grade Entry



- 1. Click in the cell where the **grade is to be entered**.
- 2. Enter a value.
- 3. Press Enter on the Keyboard to move to the next cell.

#### **Edit Grades**

Any grade recorded in the Grade Center may be changed by the course instructor or grader. When grades are changed, new data is automatically factored in to existing total points, or calculated grade columns, updating the information immediately. Grades that have been modified are designated by an orange triangle.

#### Change (Override) a Grade

Grades can be overridden manually from the Grade Center or from the Grade Details page, or they can be overridden by uploading an external file containing new data. If you delete *any* grade in the Grade center, *be sure to replace the grade* with a dash (-), or **Null Value**, otherwise the grade value will be calculated as a zero value (**o**) when the grade is weighted.



- 1. Click in the cell where the **grade is to be changed**.
- 2. Enter a value.
- 3. Press Enter on the Keyboard.
- 4. Edited grades will be denoted by an orange triangle
  - $\overline{\mathbf{K}}$  in the corner of the grade cell.

### **Grade Assignments**

Grading assignments requires two steps. First the assignment files are downloaded for review and grading, and then the grades are entered into the Grade center.

#### Download Results – Assignment Quick Column Information



1. Move the cursor over the desired **assignment grade column**, and

click the **Action Button** to activate the contextual menu.

2. Click Assignment File Download.

#### 1. Select Users

Name 🛆		Date	Grade
ব	Train, Kenneth	Wednesday, May 19, 2010 11:02:39 AM CDT	Needs Grading
<b>v</b>	Train, Jimmy	Wednesday, May 19, 2010 11:03:45 AM CDT	Needs Grading
<b>v</b>	Train, Rachel	Wednesday, May 19, 2010 11:05:27 AM CDT	Needs Grading
ঘ	Train, Rebecca	Wednesday, May 19, 2010 11:23:36 AM CDT	Needs Grading
<b>v</b>	Train, Michael	Wednesday, May 19, 2010 10:52:31 AM CDT	Needs Grading
	Train, Amy		Not Available
<b>S</b>	Train, Kristy	Wednesday, May 19, 2010 11:08:52 AM CDT	Needs Grading
<b>v</b>	Train, Susan	Wednesday, May 19, 2010 11:16:21 AM CDT	Needs Grading
<b>S</b>	Train, Jacob	Wednesday, May 19, 2010 11:11:14 AM CDT	Needs Grading
	Moreno, Michael	_	Not Available

#### 3. A new page opens. Select the **checkboxes** $\Box$ to download student assignments

4. Click **Submit**. Submit



- 5. A new page opens, click <u>Download</u> <u>results now</u>
- 6. Click **Save** in the Dialogue Box.
- 7. Open the Zip file to **access**, **review**, and **grade** the assignments

