

Moodle Upgrade

Changes from Moodle 2.6 to Moodle 2.8

Navigation

- **My home** page, **My profile**, and **Messages** are quickly accessible via the user menu in the top-right corner of the screen.

Text Editor

- Atto
 - Collapsible
 - Focuses on usability and accessibility
 - Screenreader helper
 - Accessibility checker
 - New mathematical equation editor allows for easier editing and viewing, even on tablets or mobile phones.
 - Text typed into Atto is automatically saved at regular intervals for 60 seconds.

Access Restriction

- Interface of access restriction updated with buttons for clearer settings
- Allows all or any restrictions to be applicable

Activity Completion

- Option to require passing grade, or to consider complete after all available attempts have been completed

Assignments

- Control when feedback is distributed to students.
- Set maximum word count on online text submission.
- Comment inline on online text submission.
- Filter submissions by status (**Not submitted**, **Submitted**, **Requires grading**).

Forums

- Move between forum threads with navigation links.

Quizzes

- Question bank allows quick edit, duplication, preview, and deletion of each question.
- Choose to add a new question, random question, or question from question bank with a single dropdown menu

- There is a new option to **Save changes and continue editing** when creating a new question.
- Essay questions have the option to allow students to add an attachment with no accompanying text.

Grading

- Grader report uses entire window to allow for easier scrolling and larger viewing area.
- Search by student first and/or last name
- **Single view** allows all grades of a single student, OR of a single assessment to display
- Display assessment and category weights to students via user report
- Points are entered manually as opposed to selected in a dropdown in all graded activities. Point values in excess of 100 no longer require a scale.
- New aggregation method (Natural) enables easier extra credit and allows students to view their current course percentage and point total.
- Grade history is now available.
- Paste directly into gradebook from spreadsheet.