

Topic 1: Getting Started > How to Create a Peer Grading Assignment in Blackboard Learn.

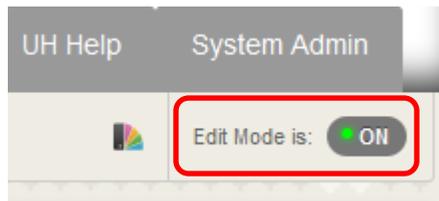
The Turnitin tool now offers the option to create a Peer Review Assignment. Using the PeerMark Assignment, you can have your students peer review one another's papers. You have full control over the number of papers each student must peer review and can assign particular students to review specific papers.

Follow the steps below to create a Turnitin Peer Review assignment:

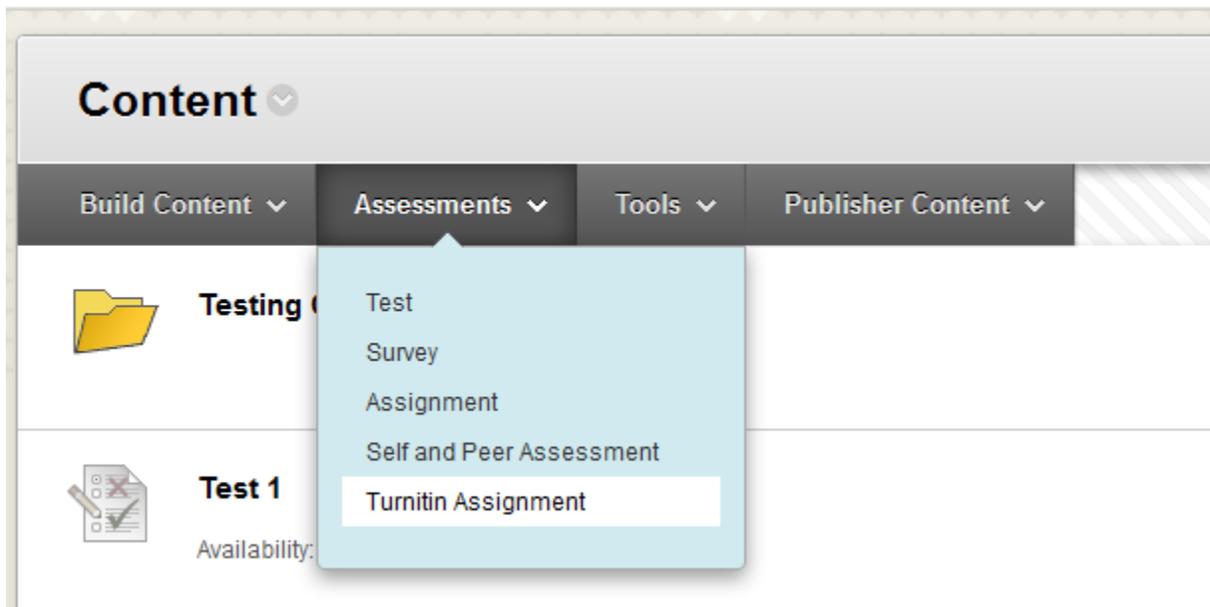
1. Log into Blackboard Learn by going to <http://www.uh.edu/blackboard>.

NOTE: If you don't have a Blackboard account, please contact blackboard@uh.edu for obtaining instructions on getting your Blackboard Learn account setup.

2. Make sure that you have the Edit Mode turned on.



3. Enter any content page. Content pages are any with the tabs at the top for Build Content, Create Assessment, Add Interactive Tool, and Assign Textbook. From that page, choose the tab for Create Assessment and choose the option for Turnitin Assignment.



4. When you choose this option, a user agreement screen may pop up the first time. You must select that you are at least 13 years of age. Then, hit the button for "I agree—continue."



user agreement

Our user agreement has been updated. Please read our user agreement below and agree or disagree to its terms and conditions:

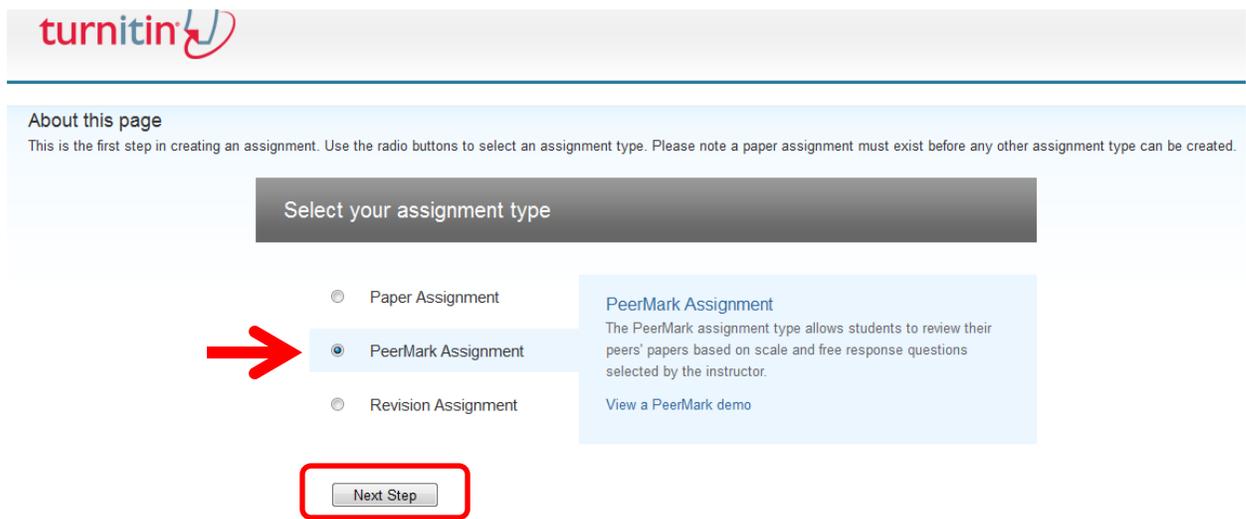
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1. Acceptance of Terms
You accept this User Agreement by using the Services or clicking to

I am at least 13 years of age.
 I am under 13 years of age.

[I agree -- continue](#) [I disagree -- logout](#)

5. On the next screen, you will have the option to choose the assignment type. In general, you will use the Paper Assignment. The PeerMark Assignment allows you to open assignments for peer review, and the Revision Assignment allows you to create a revision assignment based on an existing assignment.



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About this page
This is the first step in creating an assignment. Use the radio buttons to select an assignment type. Please note a paper assignment must exist before any other assignment type can be created.

Select your assignment type

Paper Assignment
 PeerMark Assignment
 Revision Assignment

PeerMark Assignment
The PeerMark assignment type allows students to review their peers' papers based on scale and free response questions selected by the instructor.
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6. On the page for PeerMark Settings, choose the assignment you wish to link this to by using the drop-down menu.

PeerMark Settings

•Select an assignment to base this peer review on.

Assignment 1 (due Feb 8) ▼ DUE: 08-Feb-2012

7. Assign the point value you wish to associate with this assignment. You can choose to award full points for the student simply writing the review by selecting that option.

Point value

10

Award full points if review is written

8. If you select the link for Show Options, it will take you to additional options for the assignment. You can choose to title the assignment as well as add additional instructions.

[Hide options](#)

Assignment title

Revision- Assignment 1

Assignment description and/or instructions

Please review the assignment and make comments on the author's use of...

9. You can choose to allow students to view author and reviewer names if you wish for students to know whose paper they are reviewing and who has reviewed their paper. You can also choose to allow students who failed to submit the original assignment to review a paper. Choose these options by selecting the box next to each.

Additional Settings

Allow students to view author and reviewer names

Allow students without a paper to review

10. You can adjust the dates by either typing in the date or selecting the calendar and selecting the date through there. The start date is the date the assignment will be made available to students. The due date is the date when the assignment is due. The post date is the date when graded GradeMark papers will be made available to students. This date does not affect when the grades will be made available in the grade book but needs to be set for after the due date.

Assignment Dates [Reset to default dates](#)

•Start

 at

•Due

 at

•Post

 at

11. If you select to Show Options, you will get additional items to choose for allowing student access to papers. The first option allows submitters to read all papers after the start date. The second option allows readers to read all papers and all reviews after the post date.

[Hide options](#)

View Access

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- Allow submitters to read all papers after Start date
- Allow students to read ALL papers and ALL reviews after Post date

12. If all of your settings are correct, you will select the button to Save & Continue.

or [Cancel](#)



13. You can select how the papers in the PeerMark system are distributed. The default settings are shown below. To change these, select the link to Edit.

Distribution of Papers

Select the number of papers each student will review.

[Learn more about how papers are distributed](#)

Each student will review

Paper(s) automatically distributed by PeerMark	1
Paper(s) selected by the student	0
Require self-review	NO

[Edit](#)

1 total reviews

14. When you select that option, it will allow you to change the number of papers that are automatically distributed to students by the PeerMark system, the number of papers that are selected by the student, and whether or not you want students to do a self-review. When you have the options selected, choose to save. You will notice that as you change the options, the number of total reviews will change to match your choices.

Distribution of Papers

Select the number of papers each student will review.

[Learn more about how papers are distributed](#)

Each student will review

Paper(s) automatically distributed by PeerMark	<input type="text" value="2"/>
Paper(s) selected by the student	<input type="text" value="1"/>
Require self-review	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

[Save](#) or [Cancel](#)

4 total reviews

15. If you select to show more distribution options, it will allow you to set how you wish for student papers to be distributed. You can choose to match specific students or exclude students from the distribution.

These distribution options allow instructors to choose to exclude student papers from distribution or specify which student papers a student(s) will have to review.



Pair Students



Exclude Students

16. If you choose to pair students, a menu will appear with options to browse for students. If you select the link, a drop-down menu will appear allowing you to select the students you wish. The first student is the one who will review the paper, and the second student is the one whose paper they will review. When you've selected the pair, choose the option to save the pair. You can then create additional pairs.

Pair Students Exclude Students

Search for student WILL REVIEW Search for student

[Browse for student](#) [Save pair](#) or [Cancel](#)

17. You may also choose to exclude a student. By doing this, the student will not receive a paper to review and will have their paper excluded from being reviewed. Select the option to Browse for Student and choose the student you wish to exclude. When finished, select Save Exclusion. You may then choose to exclude additional students if you wish.

Pair Students Exclude Students

Search for student

- is excluded from reviewing papers.
- will not have a paper distributed for review.

[Browse for student](#) [Save exclusion](#) or [Cancel](#)

18. When you are finished selecting students to pair or exclude (an optional step), select Save & Continue.

[Save & Continue](#) or [Return to previous step](#)

19. At the top of the next area, you will see a link that says "Click here to add instructions."

[Click here to add instructions.](#)
 Instructions entered here will appear to students above their peer review questions.

Once you select to add instructions, a window will appear for you to type your instructions for students. Once you type them, select to Save Instructions.

When answering these questions be sure to cite examples from the paper.

[Save instructions](#) or [Cancel](#)



20. You can choose to create specific questions that you wish the reviewers to answer while looking over the papers. To do that, select the button for Add Question. From there, you can choose to add a free response question, a question involving a scale, or a question from the sample library.

The screenshot shows the 'Add Question' button with a plus icon. A dropdown menu is open, listing 'Free Response', 'Scale', and 'LIBRARY: Sample Library'. In the background, a light blue box contains the text: 'Add questions to your review assignment by clicking the Add Question button.' A 'Reorder questions' link is visible in the top right corner.

21. If you choose to add a Free Response, you can type the question you want them to answer while reviewing in the Question field. You can also set a minimum answer length that they must meet in order to receive credit for the review. When finished entering your information, choose to Add Question.

The screenshot shows the 'Free Response' form. It includes a 'Question' field with the text 'What did you feel was the main...', a 'Minimum answer length' field set to '50' words, and buttons for 'Add Question' (highlighted with a red box) and 'Cancel'. A 'Save to library' link is at the bottom right.

22. If you wish to a scale question, select Add Question and choose scale. Type your question into the question field and then select the scale size to determine the range of choices for the question. You would then type the label for one end of the scale into the field by the number 1 and the label for the other end of the scale into the field by the #. When finished, select to Add Question.

The screenshot shows the 'Scale' form. It includes a 'Question' field with the text 'How coherent were the transitions in this paper?', a 'Scale Size' dropdown set to '5', and 'Labels' for '1: No transitions' and '5: Smooth transitions'. The 'Add Question' button is highlighted with a red box.



23. To add a Library question (one that is saved in the Library resources), select Add Question and choose Library: Sample Library. When you do that, you will be able to select from a list of stored questions. To add a question, select Add this Question. It will show up below the selection window in your list of questions. You may then select another question if desired. When finished choose Finished Adding Questions from Library.

Add Question [Reorder questions](#)

LIBRARY: Sample Library

Rate this paper's overall readability
Scale, *unreadable to very readable* [Add this question](#)

At which point did you feel most interested by this piece? When least? Explain.
Free Response, 5 minimum word answer [Add this question](#)

Does this paper sustain a coherent point of view? Why or why not?
Free Response, 5 minimum word answer [Add this question](#)

Could the readability, clarity, or style of this paper be improved? How?
Free Response, 5 minimum word answer [Add this question](#)

Rate the strength of this paper's thesis.
Scale, *very weak to very strong* [Add this question](#)

Can the conclusion of this paper be convincingly drawn from the thesis and the argument made in the body of the paper? Why or why not?
Free Response, 5 minimum word answer [Add this question](#)

[Add all questions](#) or [Finished adding questions from library](#)

24. At this point, you may wish to reorder your questions. You may do so by selecting the Reorder Questions link in the blue bar at the top to the right of Add Question. When you select that, directional arrows will appear allowing you to drag your questions to a new order. When finished, select either Save Order

Add Question [Save order](#) or [Cancel](#)

How did the author connect...
Free Response, 75 minimum word answer

How coherent were the transitions in this paper?
Scale, *No transitions to Smooth transitions*

At which point did you feel most interested by this piece? When least? Explain.
Free Response, 5 minimum word answer

[Save to library](#)

[Save & Finish](#) or [Return to previous step](#)



25. If you are finished selecting questions and choosing the order, select to Save & Finish.

or [Return to previous step](#)

26. You should receive a message stating that the Turnitin Assignment was successfully added.



Add Turnitin Assignment

Turnitin Assignment successfully added.

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