Design Options – Rubrics

Purpose
Rubrics provide students with specific and descriptive grading criteria.

Canvas Design Option
In Blackboard, instructors can attach a rubric to an Assignment, a Test Question, or to a Discussion. There are 5 types of rubrics in Blackboard: No points, Points, Point Range, Percentage, and Percentage Range.

In Canvas, Rubrics can be attached to Assignments, Discussions, or Quizzes. There are two rubric options which include: Points, Free Form.

Additionally, rubrics in Canvas can be used by students performing peer reviews.

More Details
Note: Instead of attaching a rubric to Test questions, one option is to move the Test questions into an Assignment with a Rubric.

Point Rubrics in Canvas are rubrics defined by criteria (rows) and ratings (columns) in which specific point values can be designated and details supplied for each. Instructors can select the rubric cells to efficiently grade student work. They can also override the point values.

Free Form Rubrics in Canvas are defined by criteria (rows) only in which a point range can be defined. Instructors can add "free form" comments and a point value within the range while grading. Comments can be saved and reused.

Rubrics can be linked to a score but can also be non-gradable. This may be useful for draft assignments in which the instructors want to provide feedback but not a score.

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