Design Options – Grades

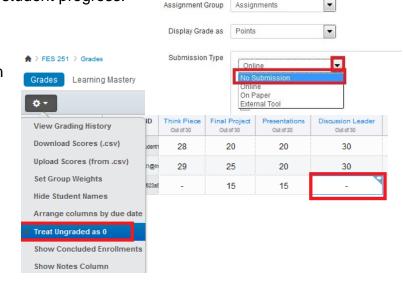**Oregon State University | Ecampus**

Purpose

"Grades" serve as a communication tool between students and instructors and track student progress.

Canvas Design Options

If you used unassociated (manual) columns in the Blackboard grade center to assign grades for extra credit, participation, or attendance, you can create a "No Submission" assignment in Canvas to create a blank column in the Canvas gradebook.

Also, in Canvas, the weighted final grade "Total" column is the only calculated column feature available.

The total column can be set to show percentage or total points, be based on a running total of submitted assignments or all assignments, and/or can show a weighted total based on assignment categories.

More Details:

By default the Total column reflects the total points from all assignments that appear in the 'Assignments' category.

Running Total: The "Total" column also defaults to calculate the running total of all submitted items. If the total showing is set to be a percentage, this can be misleading to a student who is missing work. To turn this feature off, click the settings gear in Grade" and click to turn on "Treat Ungraded as 0".

Weighted Total: The Total column in Canvas will reflect a weighted total based on various assignment categories. The categories and percentages can be set up in the settings of the Assignments area in Canvas. After turning on weighted grading, create categories, and drag-and-drop assignments into their appropriate groups on that page.

SpeedGrader™ allows you to view and grade student assignment submissions in one place using a simple point scale or complex rubric. (Video Tutorial; Text Tutorial)