# Setting up the Gradebook

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First decide on the calculation or aggregation you will use in your course. Moodle has built-in aggregations to compute the score for the entire course. Unless this is a new course you will have already determined this and included the grade scale within your syllabus.

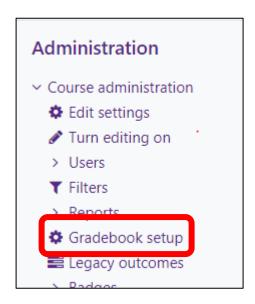
## Examples

Using categories to weight items		Weighting items naturally (sum of grades)		
For example:		For example:		
Reflection Papers - 50%		Reflection Papers - 250 points		
Paper 1	50 points	Paper 1	50 points	
Paper 2	100 points	Paper 2	100 points	
Paper 3	100 points	Paper 3	100 points	
Quizzes - 20%		Quizzes - <b>180 points</b>		
Quiz 1	60 points	Quiz 1	60 points	
Quiz 2	60 points	Quiz 2	60 points	
Quiz 3	60 points	Quiz 3	60 points	
Projects - 30%		Projects - 170 points		
Project 1	50 points	Project 1	50 points	
Project 2	70 points	Project 2	70 points	
Project 3	50 points	Project 3	50 points	
If your syllabus looks like this, use the Weighted		If your syllabus looks like this, use Natural		
Mean of Grades Aggregation Aggregation				

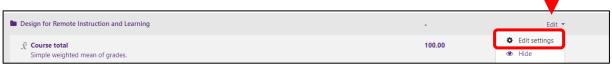
If your syllabus doesn't clearly follow either of these models, or if you need help deciding which method is right for you, contact <a href="modelsupport@obu.edu">moodlesupport@obu.edu</a> for assistance.

## To set up WEIGHTED MEAN OF GRADES aggregation

Go to Gradebook setup under the Administration block



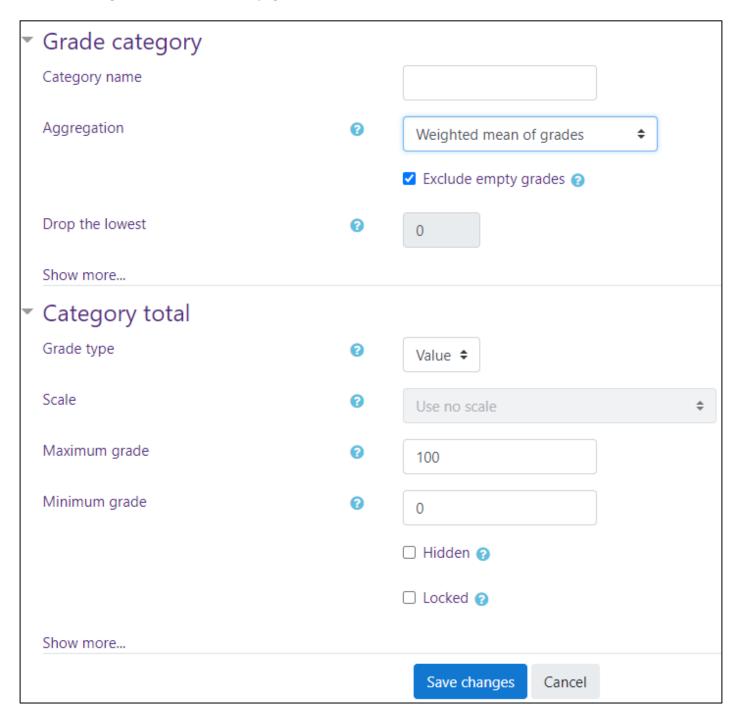
To the right of the Course name, choose Edit then Edit settings



Choose Weighted mean of grades for the Aggregation method.

If Exclude empty grades is checked, empty grades are not included in the grade calculations. If this is **unchecked** empty grades are calculated as 0s.

Click Save changes at the bottom of the page.



#### Add Categories.

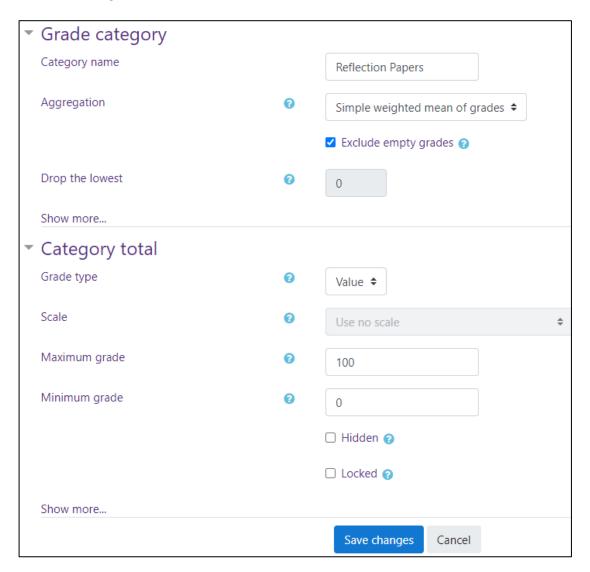
Click Add Category at the bottom of the page.



Enter the category name. There is no need to change the aggregation method. Leave the default in place.

You also have an option to drop the lowest X number of grades in each category.

Click Save changes.



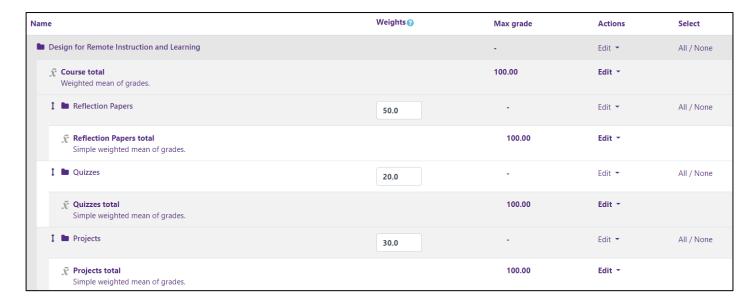
You will now see the category you created listed in the Gradebook setup page.

Fill in the weight this category should have and click Save changes.

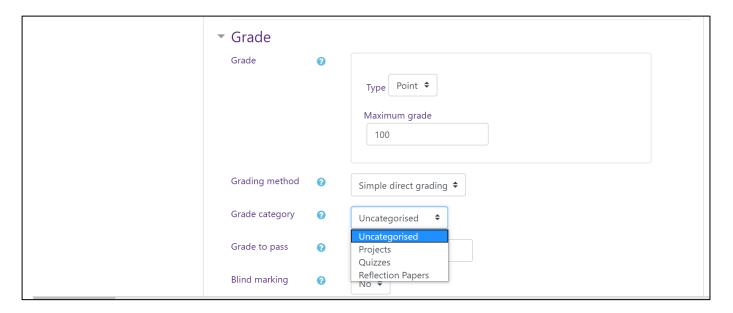


Choose Add category again to repeat adding of categories for as many categories as you have.

NOTE: Check that the weights total 100. The course total row always shows 100 but it is not totaling the weights for you.

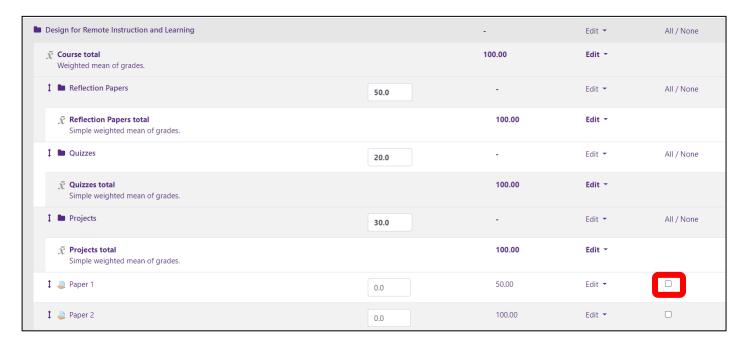


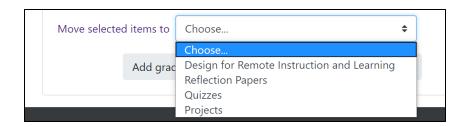
Once all the categories are created, you can go back to your course page and create activities like assignments and quizzes (graded items). In the grade section of assignment creation, use the Grade Category menu to choose the appropriate category for that item.



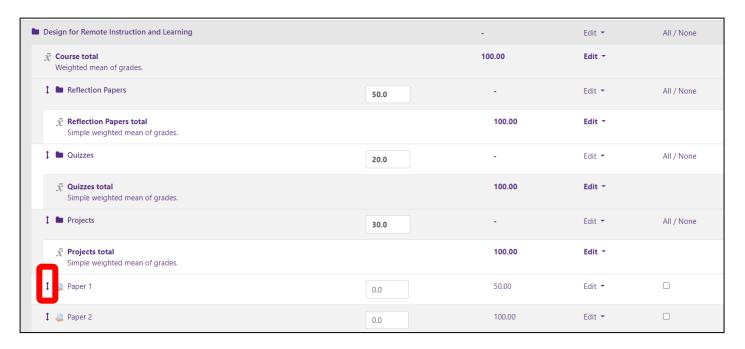
#### Rearranging items in the gradebook

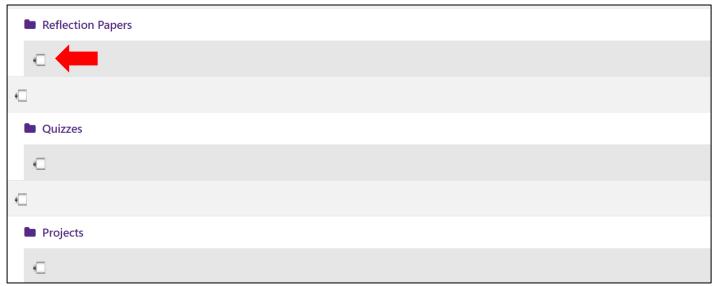
If you have already created the graded items you can check the box to the right of the item or multiple items then at the bottom of the page choose a category to move the selected item into.





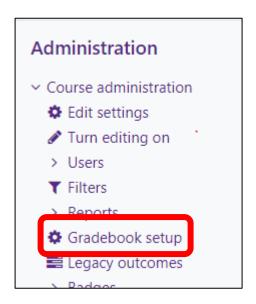
Another way to move items in the gradebook is to click the directional arrow to the left of an assignment then click the placeholder where you want it to go.



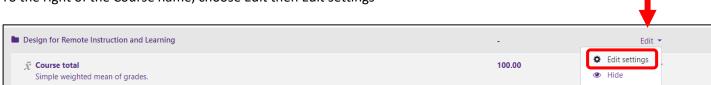


## To set up NATURAL (sum of grades) aggregation

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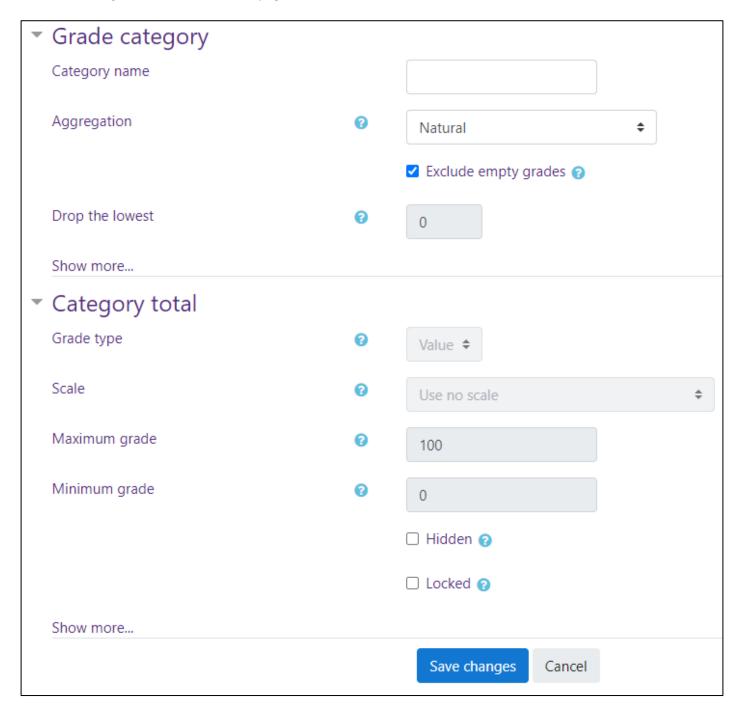
To the right of the Course name, choose Edit then Edit settings



Choose Natural for the Aggregation method.

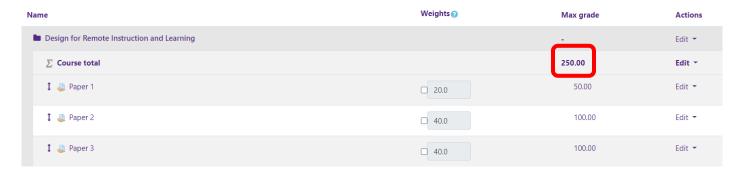
If Exclude empty grades is checked, empty grades are not included in the grade calculations. If this is **unchecked** empty grades are calculated as 0s.

Click Save changes at the bottom of the page.



On the course page add graded activities like assignments or quizzes (graded items). As you create each activity it will appear on the Gradebook setup page.

The course total will automatically be calculated in the gradebook.

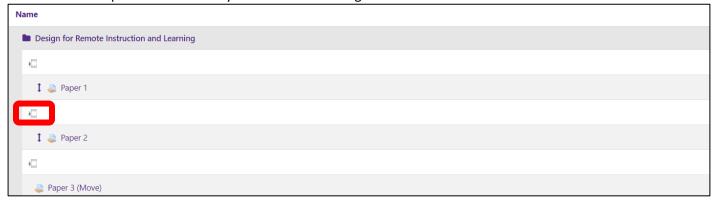


#### Rearranging grade items

If you wish to change the order of assignments click the directional arrow to the left of the assignment you want to move.



Then click on the placeholder where you want the item to go.

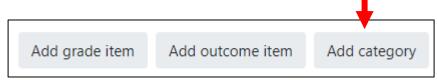


#### Optional: Adding Categories

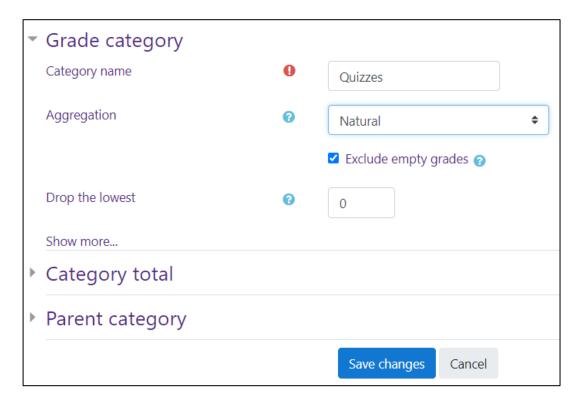
Adding Categories is optional but you can just to organize the activities in groups.

Categories are needed if you wish to drop the lowest number of grades from a given category.

Click Add Category at the bottom of the page.



Change the aggregation to Natural and Save changes.



Name	Weights ?	Max grade	Actions	Select
Design for Remote Instruction and Learning		-	Edit ▼	All / None
∑ Course total		250.00	Edit 🕶	
↑ ■ Reflection Papers	<b>100.0</b>	-	Edit 🕶	All / None
∑ Reflection Papers total		250.00	Edit 🕶	
‡ 😂 Paper 1	20.0	50.00	Edit 🕶	
🕽 😂 Paper 2	40.0	100.00	Edit 🕶	
‡ 🍛 Paper 3	40.0	100.00	Edit 🕶	
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