

DISCUSSION BOARD TERMS

Blackboard's communication tool, Discussion Board, enables asynchronous communication within a course.

1. **Collect Posts:** Selecting one or more posts or threads that can be sorted, filtered, printed, and saved as a document. The collection is gathered into a format that can be sorted, filtered, printed, and saved as a document that can be viewed in a browser.
2. **Copy Forum:** Creating a copy of a forum or the forum settings in the same discussion board or in another discussion board in the same course or organization.
3. **Draft:** A post that has been saved for future editing.
4. **Flag:** Used to call attention to the post.
5. **Forum Role:** A role type that is assigned to all members of the Discussion Board for each forum and enables specific privileges within the forum. (Blocked, Reader, Participant, Grader, Moderator, & Manager)
6. **Grade Forum / Grade Thread:** The process of assigning a grade to a user for their performance in a forum.
7. **Locked Thread:** A thread that is visible for reading but users cannot post to it.
8. **Moderation Queue:** A list of posts that must be approved before they will appear in the Discussion Board.
9. **Thread:** The initial post and the entire series of replies to that post within a Discussion Board forum.
10. **Thread Detail:** Displays the threaded view of all posts in a thread along with the selected post.
11. **Post:** A Discussion Board entry.
12. **Rate Post:** The process of evaluating a post based on a fixed, 5 point scale.
13. **Unavailable Thread:** A thread that is hidden to all users except forum Managers.