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Outcomes Office Hours

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Release announcements

Two ways to bulk import outcome statements



Unit-level import

Creators and above

WHERE	Add > Import Outcomes on a unit's Outcomes list
SCOPE	One unit, for the selected academic year and term
BEST FOR	Adding outcomes to a single program, department, or course



Institution-wide import

Site Administrators

NEW

WHERE	Settings > Import Outcomes
SCOPE	Many units in one file, for the selected academic year
BEST FOR	Launching, expanding, or migrating outcomes across the institution

Both options: CSV upload · Runs in the background · Email with a results report · Tracked in Import History

NEW: INSTITUTION-WIDE OUTCOME IMPORT

One upload for outcomes across the institution



Institutional hierarchy unit list

One download gives every unit's name, identifier, type, and full hierarchy path. Copy identifiers straight into your file, and use it as a reference for your institutional structure.



Import template

Download a CSV with the right headers and an example row.



Many units, one file

Each row names its unit, so one upload covers the institution.



Fewer required fields

Identifier and Desired Degree of Learning are now optional.



Clear results

A report lists each failed row with the reason to fix it.



Import History

Track every import, including unit-level imports.



Built for scale

Files up to 10 MB with no limit on the number of rows.

Learn more: [Release note](#) · [Help documentation](#) · Available to Site Administrators in Settings > Import Outcomes

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New data sheet shows how Blackboard supports CBE from course to institution



WHAT'S INSIDE

- **Personalized learning paths** Release conditions, Automations, AVA Pulse Quiz
- **Mastery view** Learner progress in the gradebook for instructors and students
- **Evidence of achievement** Course badges awarded as students attain skills
- **Program-level measures** Outcomes results, curriculum maps, multi-term trends
- **Institution-level measures** Shared scale, cross-program reporting, accreditation
- **Further CBE innovation** What's coming next on the roadmap
- **Partnership with Skillwell** Applied practice that complements the LMS

You're getting it first: shared in today's chat, before it's published on the web

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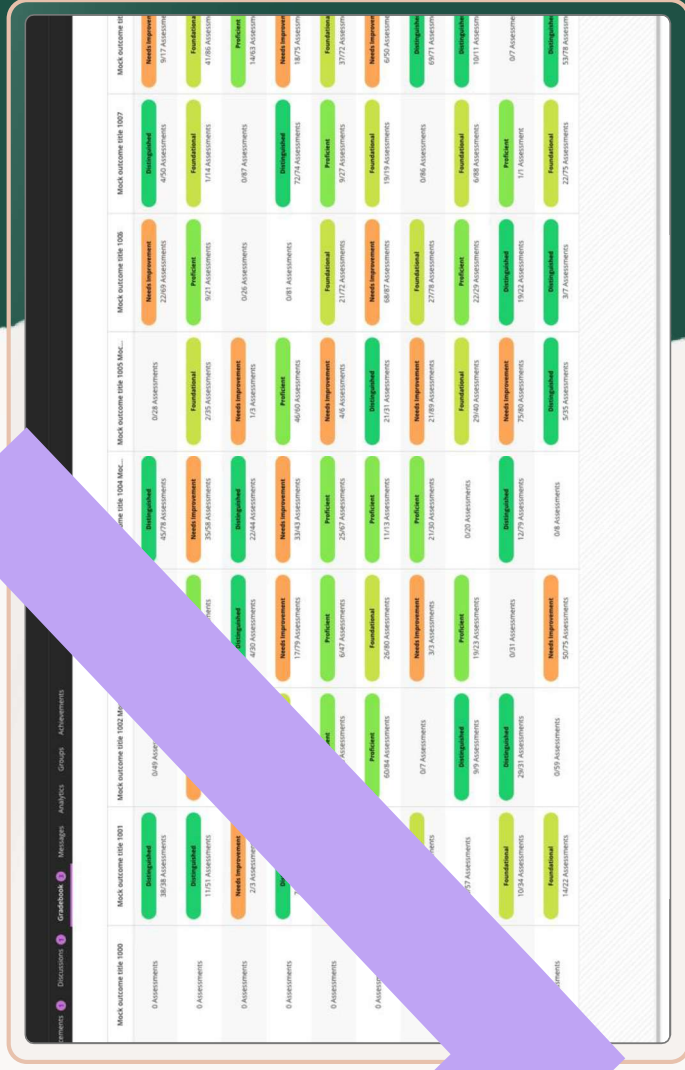
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Mastery view in Ultra courses

Outcomes achievement in the gradebook

Now: 1–3 months

- See mastery at a glance, by outcome, assignment, or competency
- Spot learning gaps early and address them
- Turn mastery results into targeted support for each learner



The screenshot displays the Blackboard LMS Gradebook interface. At the top, a navigation bar includes links for 'Courses', 'Discussions', 'Gradebook', 'Messages', 'Analytics', 'Groups', and 'Attachments'. The main area is a grid with columns for 'Mock outcome title 1000', 'Mock outcome title 1001', 'Mock outcome title 1002', 'Mock outcome title 1003', 'Mock outcome title 1004', 'Mock outcome title 1005', 'Mock outcome title 1006', 'Mock outcome title 1007', and 'Mock outcome title 1008'. Each column contains rows of student performance data, with cells displaying status indicators (e.g., 'Needs Improvement', 'Proficient', 'Distinguished') and numerical values representing assessment scores or counts.

Mastery view in Ultra courses



What you may see

Instructors: "This course is ready for Outcomes. Contact your administrator..."

Students: "No Outcomes have been set yet."



Workaround

Instructors: open Details & Actions, then select "Learning Outcomes."

Students: no workaround at this time.



What is not affected

Your outcome alignments and assessment data are safe. Grading and reporting in Outcomes work as usual.



What's next

Expect a fix within the next few days. The Mastery view will then use the scale from your Outcomes settings.

Administrators: please leave the performance scale settings in the Ultra admin panel as they are.

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Demo: Bulk import