

September - Monthly D2L Update Notification

D2L/Brightspace Learning Environment 20.19.9 - update effective September 20, 2019

Grades – Grades entered in Grade Book are synchronized with Assignments and Discussions (NEW)

- When an instructor enters a grade in the standard or spreadsheet view of Grade Book (for an assignment submission associated to that grade item), the grade will also appear with the submission in Assignments. Previously, grades entered *in the Assignment evaluation area* were passed to Grade Book; however, grades for assignment submissions entered in Grade Book were not passed to the Assignments tool.
- When an instructor enters a grade in the standard or spreadsheet view of Grade Book (for a discussion associated to that grade item), the grade will also appear with the discussion post in Discussions. Previously, grades entered in the *Discussion > assess topic area* were passed on to Grade Book; however, grades for discussions entered in Grade Book were not passed to the Discussions tool.

Quizzes – Rounding Logic (Updated)

Rounding logic for arithmetic and significant figures questions in quizzes will now round up from .5 by default. Previously these types of questions used to round to the nearest even integer (“banker’s rounding”). As a result, some calculations will round up where they previously rounded down from .5. Past quiz attempt scores are not affected by this change.

Quizzes – Quiz Builder work flow (NEW – Opt-in/out)

- Quiz Builder is a new work flow for adding, editing, reordering, and deleting quiz content in the Quizzes tool. It is released with an **opt-in/opt-out** option.
- Quiz Builder saves instructors time by streamlining the screens and work flows for building and arranging quiz content. Instructors can add questions, sections and question pools, or import from the Question library. From a single interface, they can edit, delete and reorder questions. They can also review critical information such as question points and total points in the quiz; mandatory and bonus status and shuffling behavior.

Release Conditions – Added condition for topic completion (NEW)

The **‘Completed content topic’** is a new release condition that is met when a user completes a content topic. The method of completing the topic depends on the type, such as viewing a file or submitting an assignment. Similar to the currently available ‘Visited content topic’ release condition, optional topics can also trigger this release condition.