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Additional image insertion options

Staff now have a new insert image button in the content editor in announcements, assessment questions and journal comments. The attach icon can still be used to attach images in the flexible grading view.

Students can use the icon to submit answers to questions from local files or add images to journals.

When selected, users can select between uploading an image, drag-and-drop or a stock image from Unsplash, where allowed.

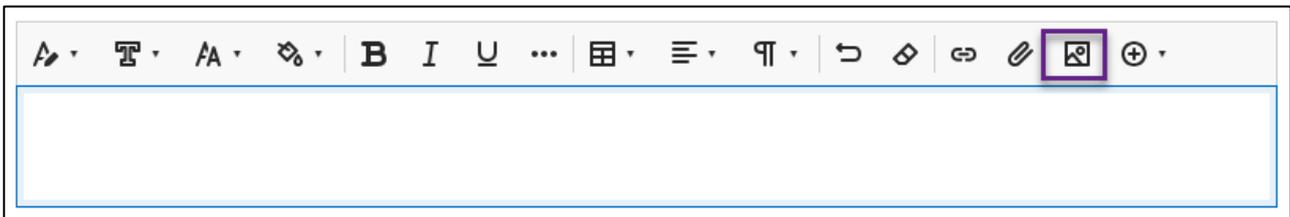


Figure 1: The new insert image button.

Group assessment due date exceptions

Staff can now set different due dates for each group working on a group assessment using the exceptions workflow.

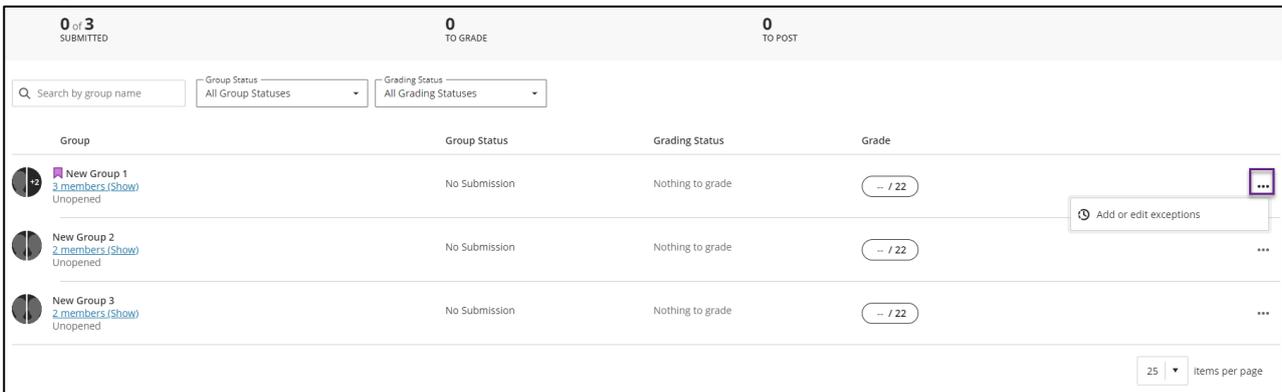


Figure 2: Adding exceptions to a group assessment.

Where exceptions have been applied for a group, a clock icon will indicate this next to the group name.

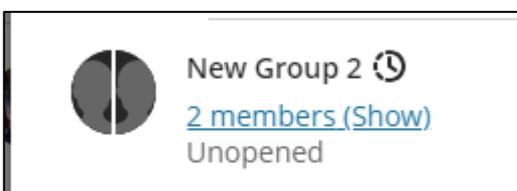


Figure 3: The exceptions indicator

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Large rubric support

An unlimited number of rubric criteria and performance levels is now supported, an increase from the previous 15. A plus icon now lets users add further rows and columns as necessary.

Prevent students from earning full credit when selecting all answers choices on a multi-select question with partial credit

Multiple choice questions can require students to select multiple correct answers from a list in some cases. Some staff may award partial credit to students on these types of questions.

In the past, students received full credit when selecting all answer choices for a multi-select question with partial credit. This happened because there was no penalty or negative credit applied for wrong answer choices.

Now, when staff deploy a multi-select question and allows partial and negative credit, the negative credit auto-distributes across wrong answer choices. An instructor can remove or edit the negative credit if desired.

Sorting controls on Students tab

Staff can now apply various sorting options in flexible grading:

- Submission date (oldest - newest) of latest attempt
- Submission date (newest - oldest) of latest attempt
- Last Name (A - Z)
- Last Name (Z - A)
- First Name (A - Z)
- First Name (Z-A)
- Student ID (ascending)
- Student ID (descending)

The grading interface stores the most recently used sorting option. If a user stops grading an assessment and resumes grading later, the last sorting option is applied.

Also, if sorting the submissions by last name or grading status, the chosen sorting option carries over into the grading interface. The sort options can be found like so in the grading interface:

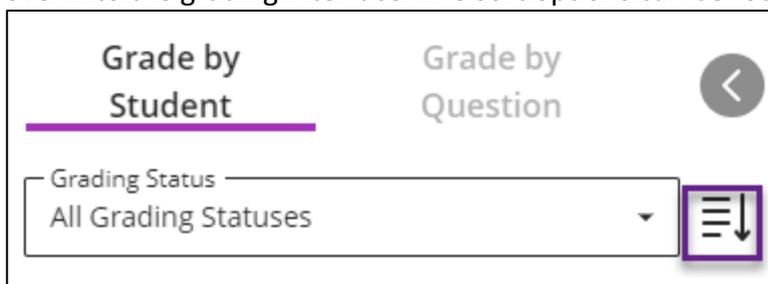


Figure 3: The sort icon

Grid view sorting controls

The sorting options have been extended to all remaining columns in the gradebook grid view:

- SCORM
- Journal
- Group Assessment
- Group Discussion
- LTI
- Calculations
- Attendance
- Discussion

Markers can sort records in ascending or descending order and remove any applied sorting. A purple highlight in the column header indicates sorting is applied.

Any sorting applied yields a temporary change to the sort order of all columns in the gradebook grid view.

Automatic zero gradebook improvement

Staff can configure their gradebooks to assign automatic zeros to past due work. In the past, automatic zeros were assigned to past due work regardless of a student's course enrolment status. For example, automatic zeros were applied to past due items for withdrawn students. This was problematic as, in some cases, it skewed course data.

Now automatic zeros are assigned to past due work only if the student has an enabled course enrolment. Automatic zeroes are no longer applied to past due items for withdrawn students. This helps to ensure that academic records are preserved as they are at the time of withdrawal.