

Blackboard Focus on Feature: Review Status and Dashboard

What is Review Status?

Review Status allows instructors to view what content has been marked as reviewed by students. It can be enabled for individual content items. Once enabled, a Mark Reviewed button appears to the right of the item. Students click the Mark Reviewed button after reading the content. Instructors can then view what content has or has not been reviewed. This can be viewed from the Manage Item view or through the Performance Dashboard.

Enabling Review Status

Follow these steps to enable review status for an item:

1. First, open course Control Panel
2. At the Control Panel, locate the Content Area and then click on the content area that contains the item you wish to enable review status
3. The chosen content area page will appear. Click the Manage button to the right of the desired item.
4. At the Manage Adaptive Release page, click the Review Status link
5. The Review Status page appears. Select the Enable radio button to turn review status on for this item and then click the Submit button.
6. The Review Status updated page appears letting you know your change was successful. Click the OK button.
7. This returns you to the Manage Adaptive Release page. If desired, click the OK button to return to the chosen content area page.

Marking Item as Reviewed (Student)

Students follow these steps to mark items as reviewed:

1. Enter course and locate item to read and mark as reviewed.
2. Read provided content and then click the Mark Reviewed button at the top right of the item
3. Mark Reviewed button becomes Reviewed button. Item is now marked as reviewed in the performance dashboard.

Viewing Student Review Status

Review status can be viewed by item or through the Performance Dashboard.

Follow these steps to view student review status by item:

1. At the course Control Panel, locate the Content Area and then click on the content area that contains the item you desire to view the reviews status for.
2. The chosen content area page will appear. Click the Manage button to the right of the desired item.
3. At the Manage Adaptive Release page, click the Adaptive Release and Review Status: User Progress link.
4. The User Progress page appears detailing who has or has not reviewed the item and date reviewed. Assess and then click the OK button.

What is the Performance Dashboard?

The Performance Dashboard provides a quick view of student activity within a Blackboard course. It displays the following information:

- Last Name
- First Name
- Username
- Role
- Date/Time of Last Login (*login to Blackboard system not course*)
- Days Since Last Login

- Review Status *(if enabled in course)*
- Adaptive Release *(if enabled in course)*
- View Grades *(if Gradebook is enabled and used in course)*

Viewing Student Review Status using Performance Dashboard

Follow these steps to access performance dashboard:

1. At the course Control Panel, locate the Assessment area and then click the Performance Dashboard link.
2. The Performance Dashboard page appears. Click on student's review status link to see what items they have and have not reviewed.
3. The Review Status page for student appears. Assess student progress and click the Submit button when complete. This returns you to the Performance Dashboard.

Using Review Status with Adaptive Release

Adaptive Release is a feature of Blackboard that gives instructors the ability to release content to students based on a set of rules. It creates a learning path for students to follow.

Follow these steps to setup Adaptive Release Review:

1. First, open course Control Panel
2. At the Control Panel, locate the Content Area and then click on the content area that contains the items you wish to enable review status
3. The chosen content area page will appear. Click the Manage button to the right of the item to be released once the previous item (or first item) is marked as reviewed.
4. At the Manage Adaptive Release page, click the Adaptive Release link.
5. The Adaptive Release page appears, scroll down the page until you locate the Review Status section
6. Click the Browse button.
7. This opens the Select Content course map. Locate the item that must be marked as reviewed before this item will appear and select that item. Note: You may have to expand folders to locate the desired item.
8. The Select Content course map closes and returns you to the Adaptive Release page. Click the Submit button.
9. The following message appears, "Making this selection will enable Review for the item selected". Click the OK button.
10. The rule is submitted and the Rule Updated page appears. Click the OK button.