

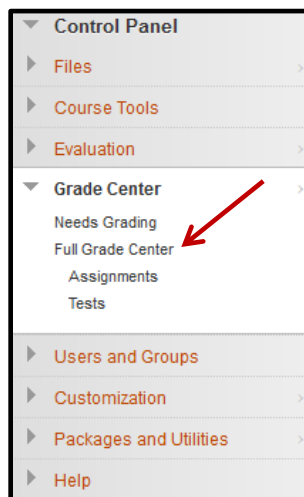
Blackboard Learn 9.1

Color Coding Grades in the Full Grade Center

Color coding grades allow instructors to highlight certain items in the Grade Center that meet a specific set of criteria. Colors and criteria are customizable.

Step 1

Access the Full Grade Center from the Control Panel by clicking Grade Center and choosing Full Grade Center from the list of options.



Step 2

To access Color Coding from the Full Grade Center, hover over the Manage tab and choose Grading Color Codes from the list.

A screenshot of the Blackboard Full Grade Center interface. The 'Manage' menu is open, showing options: Grading Periods, Grading Schemas, Grading Color Codes (highlighted with a red arrow), Categories, Smart Views, Column Organization, Row Visibility, Send Email, WileyPLUS Grade Refresh, McGraw-Hill Connect To Do List, McGraw-Hill Connect Reports, and Upload Pearson's MyLab / Mastering Grades. The background shows a table of student grades with columns for Last Name, Username, First Name, Bonus, and Unit 1 Quiz.

Last Name	Username	First Name	Bonus	Unit 1 Quiz
Casper	ccasper	Chris	2.00	76.00
Cooper	acooper	Ashby	1.00	49.00
Durand	pdurand	Porter	1.00	74.00
Herrera	lherrera	Linda	1.00	40.00
Johnson	rjohnson2	Ryan	1.00	35.00
Lopez	blopez	Bruce	1.00	74.00
Perez	jperez	Javier	1.00	74.00
Scott	sscott	Sandra	1.00	74.00
Spooner	sspooner	Sarah	98.75% (Pass)	73.33% (22.00)
Student	vparish_s	Demo	43.47% (Fail)	6.00
Tsai	mtsai	Mark	68.46% (Pass)	86.25% (89.00)
Wagner	hwagner	Henry	76.19% (Pass)	0.00% (0.00)

Step 3

This will open the Grading Color Codes screen. From here, instructors can enable the Color Coding by putting a check in the first box.

Grading Color Codes
Grading Color Codes apply background and text color to items in the Grade Center that meet specified criteria. Colors can be defined for items based on Grade status or based on the score.

Cancel Submit

1. Color Code Information
Enable Grading Color Codes

Step 4

Next, select the criteria for the color coding. Coding is based on either Grading Status (see Step 5) or Grade Ranges (see Step 6) depending on the needs of the instructor.

2. Color Coding Options

Grading Status
Colors can be defined for items that are In Progress, Need Grading, or Exempt. Attempt Status Colors will only show if a cell does not have a grade.

Background Color

In Progress White ▾

Needs Grading White ▾

Exempt White ▾

Grade Ranges
Grade Ranges can be defined by Less Than, More Than, or Between criteria. You can use multiple Grade Ranges. Make sure that Grade Ranges do not overlap. The example, 20 does not match the rule 'between 10 and 20', but 10 does. Grade Ranges are evaluated in decreasing range order, so it is possible to write a set of rules to

Criteria	Background Color	Text	Indicator Preview	
More Than or Equal To 85 %	Green-Green-Teal ▾	Black ▾	Text	Delete Criteria
Between 65 % and 85 %	Yellow ▾	Black ▾	Text	Delete Criteria
Less Than 65 %	Red ▾	Black ▾	Text	Delete Criteria

Add Criteria

Step 5 – Grading Status

Note that the default is white. To make a criteria a different color simply click the contextual menu (down arrow) and choose an alternate color for this item.

Grading Status
Colors can be defined for items that are In Progress, Need Grading, or Exempt.

Background Color

In Progress White ▾

Needs Grading White ▾

Exempt White ▾



Color Coding based on Grading Status allows the instructor to at a glance see if there are items that need grading or are in progress or exempt.

Step 6 – Grade Ranges

To set up grade range criteria, simply fill in the options. Criteria are based on percent grades and can be set to ranges of less than, more than, or between percentages.

To change the background or text color of each criteria, select the contextual menu (down arrow) next to the current color choice and pick the preferred color.

Notice there can be multiple criteria provided or none. Simply click the Add Criteria or Delete Criteria to reach this goal.

Grade Ranges

Grade Ranges can be defined by Less Than, More Than, or Between criteria. You can use multiple Grade Ranges. Make sure that Grade Ranges do not overlap. For example, 20 does not match the rule 'between 10 and 20', but 10 does. Grade Ranges are evaluated in decreasing range order, so it is possible to write a rule that is more restrictive than a previous rule.

Criteria	Background Color	Text	Indicator Preview	
More Than or Equal To 85 %	Green-Green-Teal	Black	Text	Delete Criteria
Less Than 65 %	Red	Black	Text	Delete Criteria
Between 65 % and 85 %	Yellow	Black	Text	Delete Criteria

Add Criteria

Step 7

After you have set up the color coding criteria, click the submit button (at the top or bottom of the page) to finish enabling the new Color Coding criteria.

Now from the Full Grade Center, gradable items should appear with the highlighting or text colors chosen based upon the grades earned.

Last Name	Username	First Name	Final	Quiz	Bonus	Unit 1 Quiz	Practices Quiz	Unit 2 Quiz	Unit 3 Quiz	What do you know	Final Space
Casper	ccasper	Chns	41.24% (Fail)	38.38% (40.00)	2.00	0.00	1.00	25.00	15.00	✓	--
Cooper	acooper	Ashby	94.15% (Pass)	90.00% (99.00)	1.00	49.00	2.00	30.00	20.00	✓	1
Durand	pdurand	Porter	85.39% (Pass)	81.67% (37.00)	1.00	44.00	1.00	25.00	12.00	✓	1
Herrera	lherrera	Linda	84.55% (Pass)	76.36% (84.00)	--	44.00	2.00	15.00	25.00	✓	1
Johnson	rjohnson2	Ryan	76.03% (Pass)	86.38% (85.00)	1.00	40.00	3.00	25.00	30.00	✓	12.00
Lopez	blopez	Bruce	66.50% (Pass)	80.91% (67.00)	--	35.00	2.00	20.00	12.00	✓	0.00
Perez	jperez	Javier	47.57% (Fail)	45.00% (27.00)	1.00	45.00	1.00	10.00	17.00	✓	12.00
Scott	sscott	Sandra	60.91% (Pass)	58.33% (35.00)	--	1	2.00	10.00	25.00	✓	--
Spooner	sspooner	Sarah	98.75% (Pass)	73.33% (22.00)	0.00	1	7.00	22.00	--	✓	--
Student	vparish_s	Demo	43.47% (Fail)	--	6.00	--	--	--	--	✓	--
Tsai	mtsai	Mark	68.46% (Pass)	86.25% (69.00)	--	45.00	10.00	--	24.00	✓	--
Wagner	hwagner	Henry	76.19% (Pass)	0.00% (0.00)	2.00	1	--	0.00	--	✓	--



To temporarily hide/show Color Coding in your Full Grade Center, click the Hide/Show Color Coding button.