

Adaptive Release

What is Adaptive Release?

Most people that use blackboard will know that you can set your content to be time released so that the content will only be released on a certain dates. Not so many people know that there are other criteria that can be used to release content. Content can be restricted to:

- One or more named individuals or named groups.
- Individuals that have previously access certain content and marked it as reviewed.
- Individuals that have a certain score in a column in grade centre.
- And date criteria.

Not only can you restrict content with each of the criteria above but you can use a combination of the selected criteria, and with the advanced setting you can have multiple different combination for releasing the content. One example of why you would do it this is when you want to release a piece of content to different groups on different dates.

You can apply adaptive release to most of Blackboard's content including Items, Files, Links, Tests, Assessments, Blogs, Discussion boards, and Content folders. With Content folders if you want to apply the same release rules to a large amount of content, you can put it all in one folder and apply the rule once to the folder.

Please note: If an item has been made unavailable, students will not be able to view it regardless of any adaptive release rules.

Why would I use Adaptive Release with my students?

- Supports differentiation and individual learning pathways by controlling when and who can access materials.

- Gives students access to information at the point of when they are ready to progress to the next stage in the programme. For instance, availability of material once they have completed a task within Course Resources.
- If you have more than one class set accessing the same course within Course Resources (Blackboard) you can use Adaptive Release to control when each class set can view content (see also support on Granulation and Groups).
- Supports group work through the ability to release different content to different groups, dependent on the different tasks and sources of information needed by different groups.
- For personalized feedback (see the help guide on Feedback folders for more information)

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