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- ExamSoft
- Brightspace/D2L
- Top Hat
- Anatomage – click on Community for menu items
- Aquifer (formerly MedU)

Brightspace

Brightspace Instructor Updates December 2019

Brightspace/D2L & Internet Explorer End of Life
Beginning on January 1, 2020, Brightspace/D2L will be blocked in Internet Explorer. Users attempting to access Brightspace with Internet Explorer will see an unsupported browser page and will not be able to proceed.

Please be sure that you have another browser installed on your computer workstation or laptop. Chrome and Firefox will continue to be supported. Safari works on a Mac, but you may have to permission flash to run. Edge works in Windows 10.

Updates Overview

- A new column that displays Submission ID information is visible to learners on the View Feedback page in Assignments.
- To make it easier to find HTML templates when using Content, instructors can select the new Sort HTML Templates by name option from the Content Settings page in Content.
- When using the Upload / Create menu to add activities to Content, the placement of the New Assignment option has moved. Previously, it appeared between New Discussion and New Quiz. Now, New Assignment appears above New Checklist.
- In a course that uses release conditions to unlock additional content, learners previously were not informed when new content became available as a result of a release condition. Now, when release conditions are satisfied, the learner is notified using a pop-up ("toast") message that there are new items available in the course.

Top Hat
Gradebook:

- Professors now can sort the columns in their Gradebook to arrange values from highest to lowest or lowest to highest. For full details, [check out the support article](#).
- Average scores are now displayed at the top of each column in the Gradebook. [View full details](#)
- Students with the new Gradebook will now see their total grade and attendance record displayed at the top of their Gradebook. For full details, [check out the support article](#).