



Blackboard II

Building Your Blackboard Course

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Today's Workshop...

- Follow-up to the "Blackboard I: Introduction to Blackboard" workshop offered monthly for NIU faculty and staff throughout the academic year.

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Objectives for this Workshop

- Review preliminary steps, course structure, and elements of course framework
- Begin working on building your course in Blackboard

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Questions - Preliminary Steps

- Why use Blackboard?
- What is your purpose?
 - Course information?
 - Assignment submission?
 - Grades?
 - Collaboration
 - ????
- *The purpose for the Blackboard course will direct the rest of the development steps*

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Questions - Course Structure

- How will you structure your course?
 - Course menu
 - Documents organization (ie: units, weeks, etc.)
- What will you require students to do or complete in Blackboard?
- What optional activities do you want to make available for students?
- As the instructor, how do you plan to utilize Blackboard?

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Build the Framework

- Control Panel > Settings
 - Course availability
 - Course entry point
- Control Panel > Manage Course Menu

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