Faculty: Evaluating Campus Pack Blog Contributions

A Blog is a website that is designed to be frequently updated by an individual. Blogs are intended to be a sort of public journal with entries written by an individual, though the entries can be viewed, and sometimes commented upon, by other authorized users such as fellow classmates. Instructors can view and comment upon all Blogs and Blog entries in their own courses. Entries in a Blog are usually displayed on a single page, stacked vertically, and in reverse-chronological order.

In Ohio University’s Blackboard courses, both “Blogs” and “Campus Pack Blogs” are listed in the menus. These instructions refer to Campus Pack Blogs.

Grading Participation in Campus Pack Blogs

1. Login to Blackboard.
2. Open the course containing the Blog you wish to assess.
3. Navigate to the Blog you wish to assess, and then click the View link to open it.
4. Click the Settings button, then select the Assessment option, opening the Activity Summary:

![Activity Summary for CP v4 Documentation Blog]

5. On the course Activity Summary screen, there are two ways to grade student activity:
   a. Click the Grade Center button to open the Grade Center in a new window and enter scores manually in the appropriate column, or
   b. Select and click a student name, then click the now available Evaluate Participant button, indicated in the above image.
6. On the individual’s Activity Summary page, there is information about the student’s contributions to the Blog. To enter grading information, click the Edit link (as pictured):

![Grade Feedback to User]

7. Place a score in the Grade field, and enter comments for the student in the Feedback to User field. The Grading Notes field is for yourself or other graders and is not visible to students.
8. Click the Submit button to save the grade & feedback, transferring it to the Grade Center.