Blackboard Course / Organization Roles

Each participant in a Blackboard course or organization has an assigned role determining what the participant can do within the account.

Instructor / Leader

- Account owner
- Listed as Instructor on course portal.
- Able to build and edit course structure (colors, entry page, defaults)
- Able to build and edit course content folders, links, and activities.
- Able to grade activities and manipulate grade center.
- Able to add participants and change participant roles.

Teaching Assistant / Assistant

- Not listed as Instructor on course portal window
- Able to build and edit course structure (colors, entry page, defaults)
- Able to build and edit course content folders, links, and activities.
- Able to add participants and change participant roles but cannot remove Instructor.
- Able to add and remove students only. Cannot change participant roles.
- Unable to grade exams/assignments and can't access Grade Center

Course Builder / Organization Builder

- Able to build and edit course structure (colors, entry page, defaults)
- Able to build and edit course content folders, links, and activities.
- Has access to everything in Control Panel except Grade Center.
- Can add and remove students (only).
- Cannot grade student work but can view discussion posts in class and group areas

Grader / *no Organization equivalent*

- Assists the Instructor in the creation, management, delivery, and grading of items, such as Tests and Discussion Board posts.
- Assists the Instructor with managing the Grade Center.
- Cannot access a course if it is unavailable to Students.

Student / Participant

- Can interact with course content and activities that are availability and open for display but cannot edit or add content/activities.
- Can see own grades, based on what has been released by Instructor/Graders. Cannot see rest of Grade Center.
- Can only share files by attaching to communication posts or within group file exchange (if it's made available to student).
- Cannot add items to course calendar.
- Has no access to the Control Panel (course settings and Grade Center)

Guest / Guest

- Can view content links that Instructor has made available to guests
- Cannot participate in activities that identify students' work (e.g. discussions/blogs)
- Has no access to the Control Panel (course settings and Grade Center)

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