Moodle Help Home

PLEASE NOTE: THIS HELP SITE IS FOR A LEGACY VERSION OF MOODLE. AN UPDATED HELP SITE IS AVAILABLE FOR THE CURRENT VERSION.

Moodle is a course management system that provides easy-to-edit, secure, structured course web sites for each course taught at Colby. Course sites are created automatically based on enrollment data. Faculty may log into Moodle to build out and activate course sites for students. Faculty visiting this Moodle help site for the first time are encouraged to visit the "Getting Started" page first for a roadmap to learning more about Moodle.

Why Use Moodle?
Moodle simplifies the creation and management of course web sites. Here are just a few examples of things that may be done in Moodle:

- Organize and deliver digital content to students in your course (e.g., web links, resources, syllabi, short readings, simulations).
- Capitalize on learning opportunities outside of class time.
  For example:
  - Student study/review of class materials/content covered in class (e.g., PowerPoint presentations, lecture notes, short quizzes)
  - Student/Project Group preparation for the next class session
- Encourage peer interaction and discussion
  - Threaded discussions using Forums
  - Peer-review of written assignments
  - Development of a class glossary
- Manage class logistics
  - Use the News forum to make important class announcements
  - Use the calendar to note events, due dates, etc.
  - Use the grading features to accept assignments and/or to post grades privately.
  - Use the Choice assignment to allow students to pick research topics.
  - Use the file upload and online text assignments to collect student work