

Setting Default Grades in Canvas

Canvas allows you to set default grades for assignments and quizzes in Canvas. This will automatically enter a grade in the Gradebook for an assignment or for multiple assignments (without a submission by the due date). As the instructor, you can override the default grade once a submission is made.

The sections below will describe the processes you can follow to set default grades in Canvas.

Setting Default Grades on Individual Assignments

To set a default grade on an individual assignment, complete the following steps:

1. Open the course and click the **Grades** link in the Course Navigation menu to access the Gradebook.



2. Hover your mouse over the assignment column and click the three-dot icon that appears. Select the **Set Default Grade** option.



The "Default Grade" window appears.



- 3. Enter the default grade you want each student to receive for the assignment in the unnamed field.
 - If you want the new grade to overwrite any grade already entered, click the **Overwrite** already-entered grades box.

Default grade for Me Summary*	odule 1: Lecture ×
Give all students the same Lecture Summary* by ente grade value below:	e grade for <i>Module</i> 1: ring and submitting a
Overwrite already-ente	ered grades
	Set Default Grade

4. Click the Set Default Grade button.

The grade is automatically entered in the Gradebook for each student submission. You can change the grade if desired by clicking in the Gradebook cell for the student/assignment and entering the updated grade.

Example

In this example, the **Journal Entry 1** assignment column in the Gradebook contains a dash (-) in each cell because nothing has been submitted and no grades have been entered.

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In the "Default grade" window, a default grade of 0 is entered for the assignment.

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Give all students the same - Discussion Board by enter grade value below:	grade for <i>Journal Entry</i> 1* ring and submitting a
0	out of 50 red grades
	Set Default Grade

The **Journal Entry 1** assignment column in the Gradebook now shows 0 in each cell.

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Setting a Default Grade for Late/Missing Submissions

To set a default grade on multiple assignments when submissions are not made by the due date, complete the following steps:

NOTE: A due date must be set on the assignment to use this functionality.

1. Open the course and click the **Grades** link in the Course Navigation menu to access the Gradebook.





2. Click the **Gear** icon in the upper right corner.



The Gradebook Setting panel opens, with the Late Policies tab active.

- 3. Click the Automatically apply grade for missing submissions box.
- 4. Enter the percentage of the total available points you want to assign to submissions not made by the due date in the **Grade percentage for missing submissions** field. If you want to assign a zero as the grade for submissions not made by the due date, enter **0** in this field.

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5. Click the **Apply Settings** button.

The grade is automatically entered in the Gradebook for each student if a submission is not received by the designated due date. You can change the grade if desired by clicking in the Gradebook cell for the student/assignment and entering the updated grade.

Example

In this example, the **Module 4** assignment column in the Gradebook contains a dash (-) in each cell because nothing has been submitted and no grades have been entered.



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In the *Gradebook Settings* panel, a default grade of 0% is entered for missing assignments (assignments not submitted by the specified due date).

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Automatica	ally apply grade for missing	submissions		
Grade for n	nissing submissions			
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The **Module 4** assignment column in the Gradebook now shows 0 in each cell, and the cell is shaded to indicate that the submission is missing.



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