Creating a Wiki

Wikis allow course members to contribute and modify one or more pages of course related materials, providing a way to share materials and collaborate on authorship. Users can create and edit pages quickly, while tracking the history of changes and additions, allowing for effective collaboration between multiple writers.

1. Log into the Blackboard system and click to enter the course where you wish to create a wiki.

2. Once you are in the course, click on the Course Tools button in the Control Panel and select Wiki from the list of options.

3. The Wikis page will load. Click on the Create Wiki button.
5. Enter a name and description for the wiki.

6. Customize the availability by setting date and time restrictions, if desired. A Display After setting will prevent users from seeing the wiki before a certain date, while Display Until sets a final viewing date.

7. In the Wiki Participation section you have the option to open and close editing and commenting. Toggling these settings at different times is a good way to allow users to build a wiki and then lock down changes after a certain point.

8. Complete the remainder of the customized settings based on the needs for the particular activity you are developing. Press the Submit button when done to finish making the wiki.

9. Students now have access to the wiki from the Course Tools button in the course menu > Wikis.

Note: You now may also add a direct link to the wiki in a content area or a folder. Click to enter the content area / folder and hover over Tools > Wikis. Check off the “Select a Wiki” option and select the wiki from the “Select a Wiki” box. Click Next and to complete the process.