Moodle: External tool connections

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Teachers can link Moodle courses to several **external software and publishing platforms**. This can make it easier for students to access **course-specific resources** and outside services to **add grades to Moodle's gradebook** [].

Before you start, you may need the following:

· an Instructor of record or Other editing teacher role in a Bryn Mawr Moodle course

Safety and ethical considerations

CAUTION: Unlike Moodle, which is managed internally by LITs staff, **all third-party software platforms** are hosted on servers that Bryn Mawr College does not control.

Before you ask your students to use third-party platforms, please make sure you and they understand and know how to mitigate any risks:

- Review the platform's terms of service and privacy policy. When you use a third-party platform for class materials or assignments, you are bound by its policies, which are usually on its website. Pay particular attention to sections concerning ownership of data and content users upload, specifically how the long the company may keep them and how the company may use them. Also remember that these terms will complement, but not supplant, the College's acceptable use [], data handling [] and web accessibility [] policies.
- Minimize privacy and data security risks by deleting identifiable records as soon as possible. The longer content is online, the greater the opportunity for it to be hacked. You can mitigate risks by deleting student-submitted content, grades or feedback, and recordings or images of identifiable students at the end of each semester. Just make sure to export copies of class materials you need to keep to a personal device before deleting them. Review Moodle: Copy content from another course if you need help with.
- Be especially cautious about assignments and discussions involving sensitive topics. Consider using
 offline approaches or built-in Moodle tools instead, or deleting submissions immediately after the
 discussion or assignment ends.
- Consult with our educational technology specialists [] if you have any questions about particular tools or need advice on best practices and mitigation options for particular assignments.

Add external tool to a course

Available external tool connections

Below are the platforms that are linked to Moodle.

Request new connections

Questions?

If you have any additional questions or problems, don't hesitate to reach out to the Help Desk!

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