



Viewing Course Content

Courses have different types of content, such as PDF files, assignments, multimedia files, and links. Course files are organized into different pages, folders and lesson plans. Each content item appears with an icon to indicate its type.

1. Viewing Course Content

You access your course content from the **course menu**. Click a link in the course menu to review its content.

The screenshot shows the Blackboard interface. On the left is a course menu with the following items: Introduction to Oceanography--Section 2 (with a home icon), Home Page, Getting Started, Week 1 (highlighted with a yellow box), Week 2, Discussions, Groups, Required Web Reading, My Calendar, Identification Exercise, and My Grades. Below these is a section for My Groups with a link to Coastline Presentation. The main content area is titled 'Week 1' and contains three items: 'Objectives' (with a document icon) describing estuary and wetland environments and listing four bullet points; 'Week 1 Assignment' (with a document icon) showing an attached file 'Chapter 1 Assignment (37.5 KB)' and instructions to submit after reading; and 'Oceans in the News' (with a document icon) stating that each week a website about current events will be added.



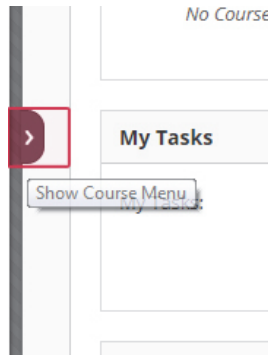
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The content menu takes you to different content pages called *content areas*. The links in the course menu vary from one course to another.



In case the course menu is not showing, locate and click **Show Course Menu** icon.



A table describing each content icon can be viewed in *Blackboard Resources* section below.



If a content page or content item is not available:

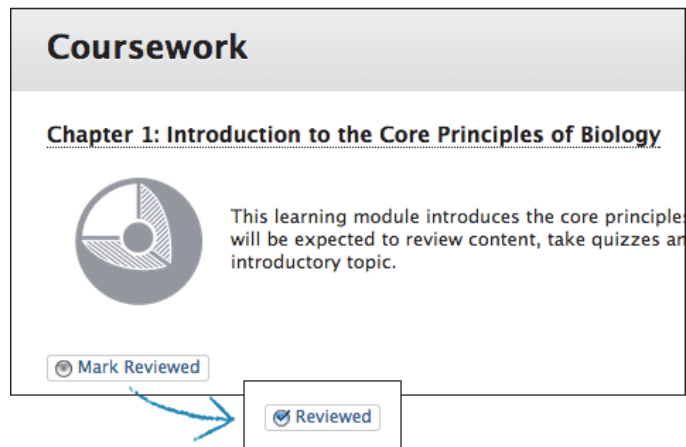
Check with the course instructor(s) about any content that you think may not appear for you but should. You might have to meet specific criteria.

Instructors can limit which content items you see based on certain criteria such as date, time, individual users, course groups, and your performance on graded items.



2. Marking Reviewed Content

The **Mark Reviewed** option appears under some content items chosen by your instructor. This Review status option allows your instructor to track your interaction with specific content items.



After you review one of the content items, select the option **Marked Reviewed** to mark it as **Reviewed**.





You can switch between *Reviewed* and *Mark Reviewed* if you want to go back to a content item and review it again.



- Review status sometimes affects when you can see additional content. For example, after the chapter's guide is marked *reviewed*, then the assignment will appear.
- If you mark an item as *Reviewed*, then switch back to *Mark Review*, your instructor doesn't see that the item was previously marked as Reviewed at any time.



Blackboard Resources

- [Content in Your Courses](#)
- [Types of Course Content](#)