

Student Blackboard Quick Start Guide

Welcome to Blackboard!

Blackboard is the online learning management system used at College of DuPage. Through Blackboard, you can access a wide range of course materials, including lectures, readings, and multimedia resources. You may also use Blackboard to submit assessments in your course. The platform facilitates interaction with classmates and instructors through discussion boards, group projects, and messaging tools, fostering a collaborative learning environment. This guide is designed to help you get started using Blackboard.

Logging In

Open your web browser and navigate to <https://bb.cod.edu>. To log in, enter your **myAccess username** and **password**.

USERNAME

PASSWORD

Sign In

Your **myAccess username** is your last name, first initial and (usually) a number. For example, the ID for *John Smith* might be *smithj2*.

If you don't know your myAccess account username, go to <https://selfserv.cod.edu/Student/Account/ForgotUsername> and enter the required information to retrieve your username.

If you need additional help, please contact the Student Help Desk at studenthelp@dupage.edu or call (630) 942-2999.

Blackboard Navigation

Upon logging in to Blackboard, you will land on the **Courses** tab of Blackboard Ultra Base Navigation. You may view the Courses page in a list or grid format, with each course card showing the ID, title, and instructor. Use the search bar and filters at the top to find specific courses and mark frequently accessed courses with the star icon to add them to your favorites. Unavailable courses, marked with a lock icon, are visible but cannot be accessed.

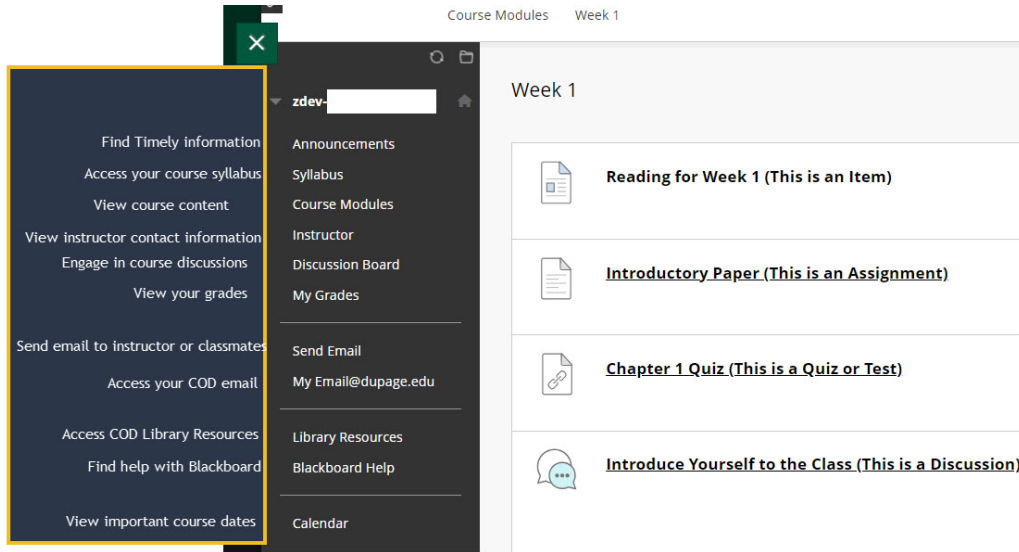
The screenshot shows the Blackboard 'Courses' page. On the left is a navigation sidebar with options like 'COD Resources', 'Your profile', 'Find your courses', and 'Log out of Blackboard'. The main content area is titled 'Courses' and includes a search bar, filters (Terms: All Terms, Filters: All courses), and a list of course cards. The first card is for 'zdev' with 'Original Course View' and a star icon. The second card is for 'zdev_AdjunctNHODemo' with 'Adjunct New Hire Orientation Demo' and a lock icon. The third card is for 'zdev' with 'Original Course View'. The search bar and filter dropdown are circled in yellow in the original image.

Courses in Blackboard

College of DuPage is in the process of transitioning from Blackboard Original courses to Blackboard Ultra courses. You may have courses in both environments.

Blackboard Original Course

If your courses are in Original, they will look like this:



Blackboard Ultra Course

If your courses are in Ultra, they will look like this:

