

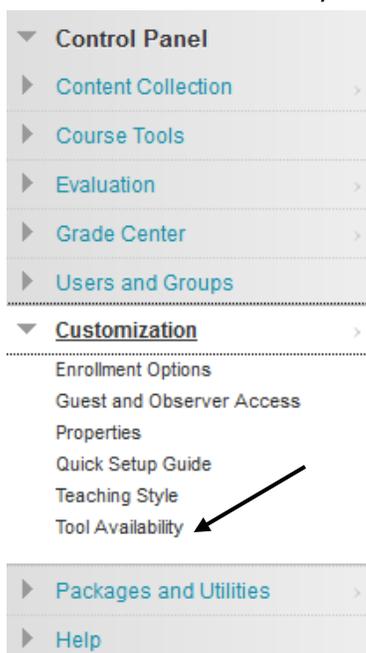
Adding a VoiceThread Presentation to Blackboard

VoiceThread is web-based presentation software that allows users to create and share interactive multimedia slideshows. VoiceThread presentations are used to showcase audio, video, images, and documents while allowing users to comment on them in a variety of different ways.

It is now possible to use a tool to easily display VoiceThread presentations within Blackboard and share them with the class. (For more information about VoiceThread, click [here](#).)

Making the VoiceThread tool Available:

1. From the Control Panel in your course, choose **Customization > Tool Availability**.



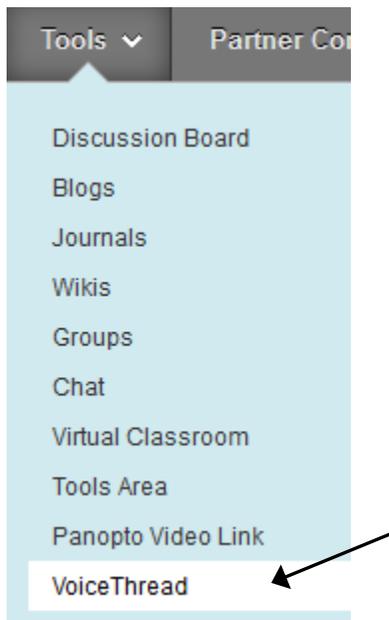
2. Scroll down the list of tools to find the 'VoiceThread' entry and check the box to the far right.

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VoiceThread	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
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3. Click Submit.



The VoiceThread tool should now be available in your course. To check this, go to any Content Area (i.e. Course Content) in your course and select the 'Tools' dropdown at the top. You should now see 'VoiceThread' as one of the options.

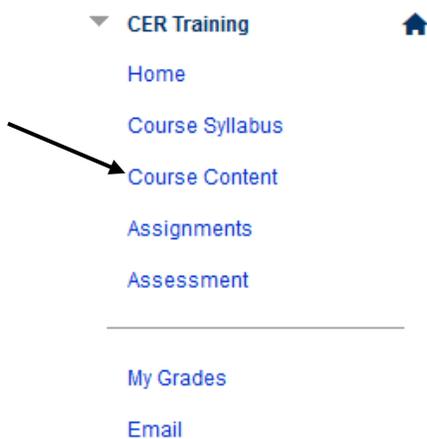


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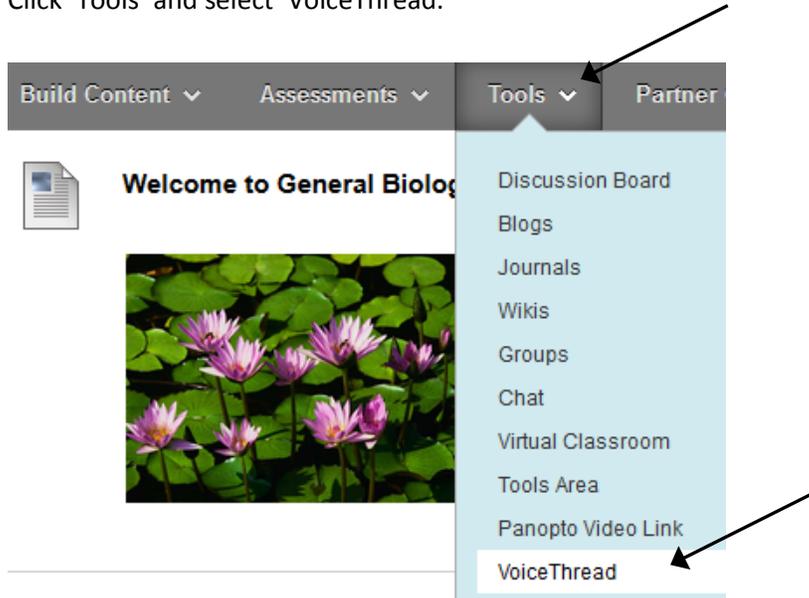
1. Once inside your course, make sure Edit Mode (upper right corner) has been turned 'On.'



2. Navigate to the content area within your course where you want to add the VoiceThread link. In this case, we'll select 'Course Content.'



3. Click 'Tools' and select 'VoiceThread.'



4. Fill in a name and description, if desired.

1. Information

* Name

Color of Name Black

Description

Rich text editor toolbar with options for Paragraph, Arial, 3 (12pt), and various text formatting tools.

This links to a VoiceThread with early music manuscript images. Please feel free to comment on them.

5. Attach a file if desired. (Note: This is NOT how you link to the VoiceThread. This option is for other files (.doc, .pdf, etc.) that may accompany the VoiceThread.)

2. Attachments

*If you select a file you do not want, click **Do Not Attach** to remove the attachment from the content item. The file itself is not deleted.*

Attach File

6. Leave the Grading option set to 'No.' (Note: The 'Enable Grading' option is not set up on this version of Blackboard and will not function if 'Yes' is selected. If you want to grade this item, you can manually create a column in the grade center.)

3. Grading

Enable Grading

Yes No

7. Choose whether or not to allow users to view the link at this time, open it in a new window, and also track the number of views or not. Select date and time restrictions if desired. Click Submit.

4. Options

Permit Users to View this Content

Yes No

Track Number of Views

Yes No

Select Date and Time Restrictions

Display After

Enter dates as mm/dd/yyyy. Time may be entered in any increment.

Display Until

Enter dates as mm/dd/yyyy. Time may be entered in any increment.

Submit

8. The link will appear in your content area. Click the link to connect it to VoiceThread.



Manuscript Voice Thread

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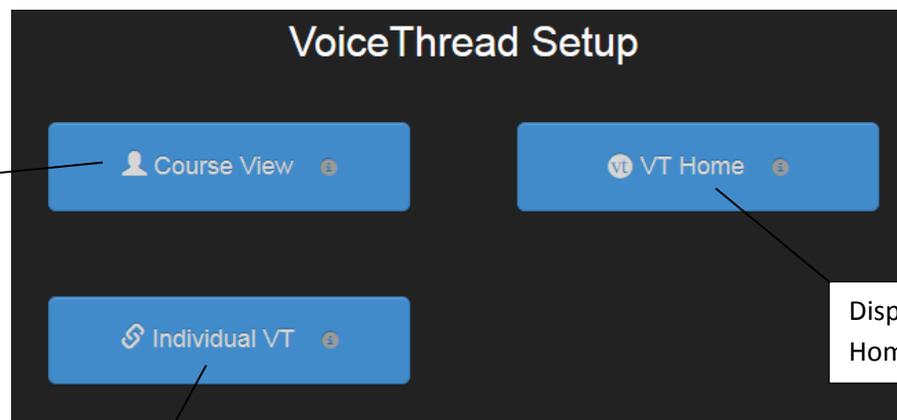
9. There are a couple of options to choose from:

'Course View' will display all VoiceThreads that are shared with this course.

'Individual VT' will link to a single VoiceThread that has already been created.

'VT Home' will display the VoiceThread home page.

We'll select the 'Individual VT' option to link to a particular VoiceThread that has already been created.

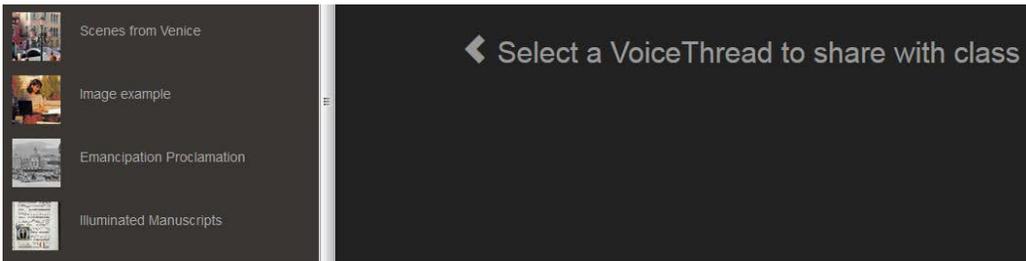


Displays all VoiceThreads that are shared with this course

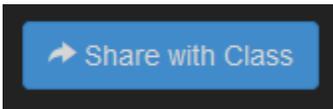
Links to a single VoiceThread

Displays the VoiceThread Home page

10. Next, select a VoiceThread from the list to share with the class.



11. Click the 'Share with Class' button.



12. The VoiceThread is now shared with the class.

