

## Turnitin Assignments

Turnitin is a web-based plagiarism detection service that allows instructors to easily check student papers for unoriginal material. Instructors can now create assignments within their Blackboard courses that can be submitted directly to Turnitin.

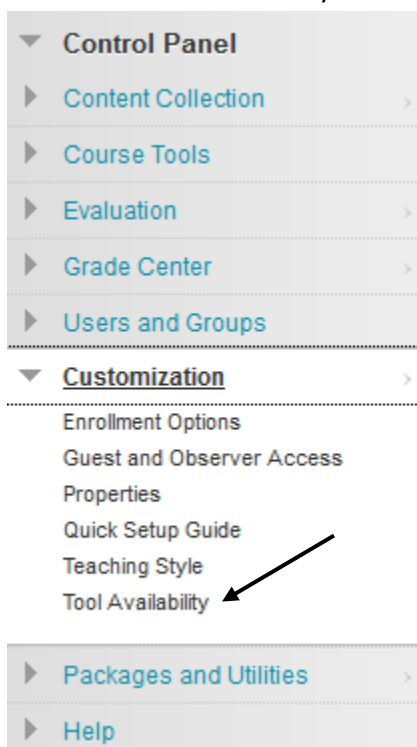
### Notes on using Turnitin accounts within Blackboard:

Turnitin accounts are based on email addresses. When you use Turnitin within Blackboard, it automatically sets up an account based on your email address that Blackboard has on record. If you have used Turnitin in the past, outside of Blackboard, the Blackboard email address may or may not match your previous Turnitin account. So, if you log into Turnitin.com using your pre-Blackboard email address, you may or may not see your Blackboard assignments, depending on whether the email addresses match.

Student accounts are also automatically created by Turnitin within Blackboard. If you've used Turnitin outside of Blackboard, you had to provide a Class ID and Enrollment Password so the students could join your class. This tedious step is no longer necessary, since the roster is derived from Blackboard.

### Making the Turnitin Assignment tool Available:

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



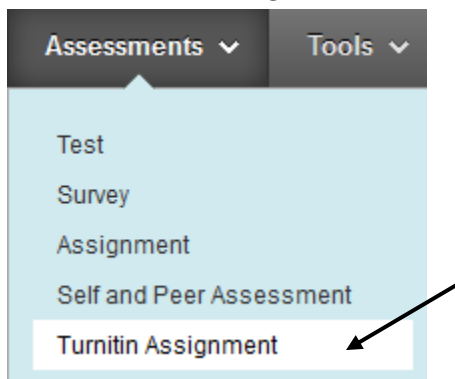
2. Scroll down the list of tools to find the three entries for Turnitin: Turnitin Assignment, Turnitin Assignment List, and Turnitin Assignments by Groups. Check all three options.

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Turnitin Assignments by Groups	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	-
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3. Click Submit.

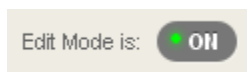


Turnitin Assignments should now be available in your course. To check this, go to any Content Area (i.e. Course Content) in your course and select the 'Assessments' dropdown at the top. You should now see 'Turnitin Assignment' as one of the options.

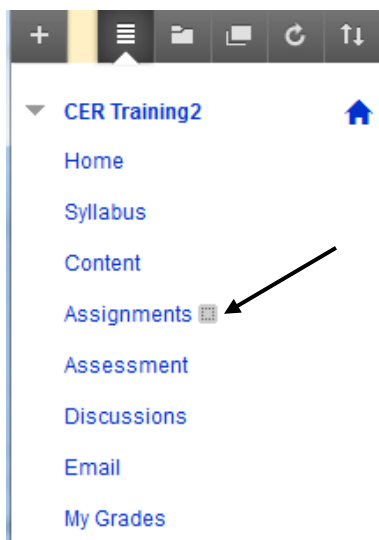


## Creating a Turnitin Assignment:

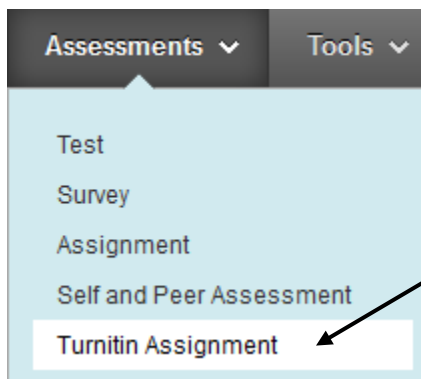
1. Once inside your course, make sure Edit Mode (upper right corner) has been turned 'On.'



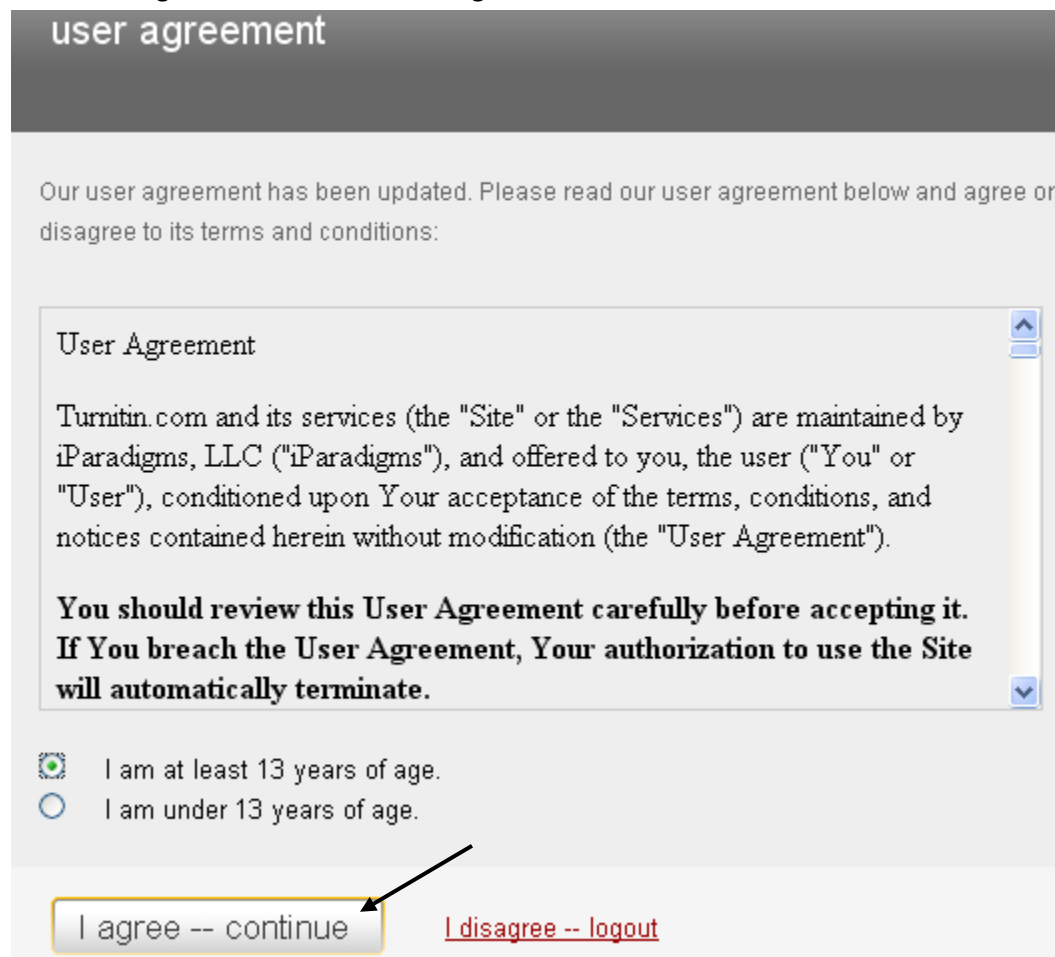
2. Navigate to the location in your course where you want the assignment to appear. In this example, we'll choose the content area 'Assignments.'



3. Click the 'Assessments' dropdown at the top of the page and select 'Turnitin Assignment.'



4. You will be presented with a Turnitin 'User Agreement' that you must agree to in order to proceed with the assignment creation. Click 'I agree' to continue.

A screenshot of a 'user agreement' page. The page has a dark header with the text 'user agreement'. Below the header, there is a paragraph: 'Our user agreement has been updated. Please read our user agreement below and agree or disagree to its terms and conditions:'. A scrollable text area contains the following text: 'User Agreement', 'Turnitin.com and its services (the "Site" or the "Services") are maintained by iParadigms, LLC ("iParadigms"), and offered to you, the user ("You" or "User"), conditioned upon Your acceptance of the terms, conditions, and notices contained herein without modification (the "User Agreement").', and a bold warning: 'You should review this User Agreement carefully before accepting it. If You breach the User Agreement, Your authorization to use the Site will automatically terminate.'. Below the text area are two radio buttons: the first is selected and labeled 'I am at least 13 years of age.', and the second is unselected and labeled 'I am under 13 years of age.'. At the bottom, there are two buttons: 'I agree -- continue' (highlighted with a yellow border and an arrow) and 'I disagree -- logout' (in red text).

5. At this point, use the link below to access detailed Turnitin documentation on creating an actual assignment:

[http://www.turnitin.com/en\\_us/training/instructor-training/creating-assignments](http://www.turnitin.com/en_us/training/instructor-training/creating-assignments)


Some of the 'Advanced Assignment Options' available within Turnitin may be of particular interest to instructors. Instructors can decide:

- Whether to allow students to see Originality Reports
- To include special instructions visible to students
- Whether to exclude quoted material
- Whether assignments can be turned in late
- Whether Turnitin will store the assignments in its database


6. Once the assignment has been created, it will appear in the content area you selected within your Blackboard course. Note that the icon differs from the other Blackboard created assignments.

**Assignments** ▾


Build Content ▾ Assessments ▾ Tools ▾ Publisher Content ▾

 **Week 1- Article Summary**  
Enabled: Adaptive Release  
Please write a three paragraph summary of the article that was discussed in class this week - spelling and grammar count!


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 **Week 2 - Article Summary**  
Please write a three paragraph summary of the article that was discussed in class this week. Grammar and spelling count!

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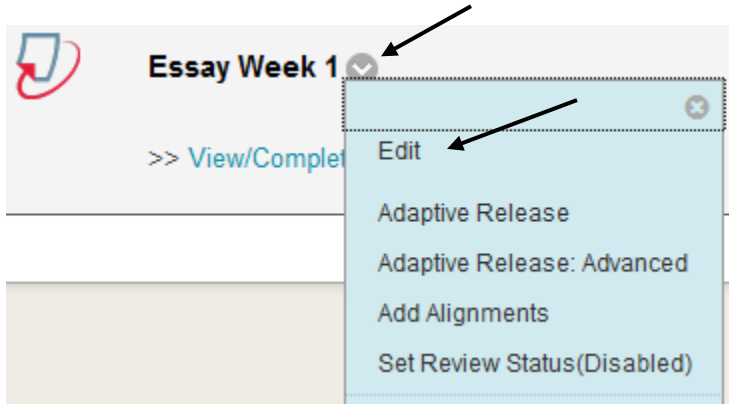
 **Week 3 - Article Summary**  
Please write a three paragraph summary of the article that was discussed in class this week. Grammar and spelling count!

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 **Essay Week 1**  
>> [View/Complete](#)

## Editing a Turnitin Assignment

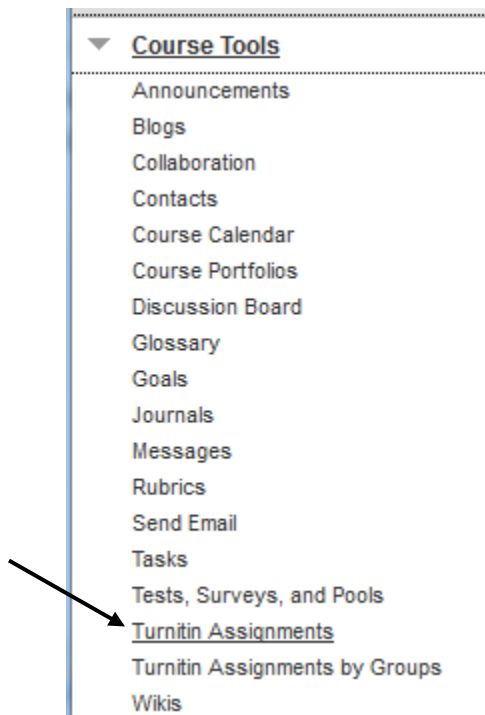
If you have created a Turnitin Assignment and need to edit it (change the due date, etc.), click the Edit dropdown next to it and select 'Edit.' (Clicking on the assignment itself will bring up the paper submission interface, which allows you to submit assignments for the students.)



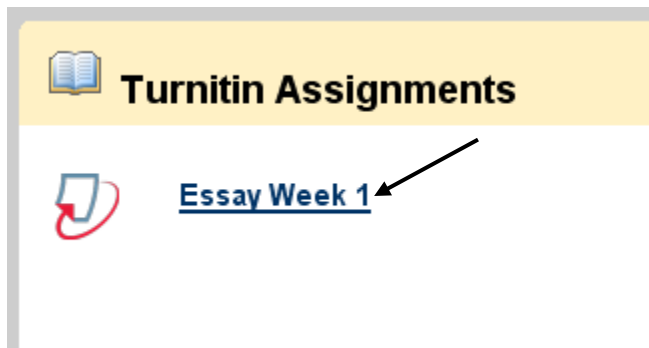
Make your changes within the Turnitin interface and click Submit.

## Retrieving and Grading Turnitin Assignments

1. To retrieve and grade Turnitin assignments, go to the Control Panel in your course and select **Course Tools > Turnitin Assignments**.  
(**Note:** This is different from accessing other Blackboard created assignments, which are retrieved through the Grade Center.)



- The list of your Turnitin assignments will appear. Click on the assignment to view student submissions.



**About this page**  
This is your assignment inbox. To view a paper, click the paper's title. To view an Originality Report, click the paper's Originality Report icon in the report column. A ghosted icon indicates that the Originality Report has not yet been generated.

### Essay Week 1

INBOX | NOW VIEWING: NEW PAPERS ▾

submit paper export GradeMark Report | Roster Sync | Edit assignment settings

<input type="checkbox"/>	AUTHOR	TITLE	SIMILARITY	GRADE	RESPONSE	FILE	PAPER ID	DATE
<input type="checkbox"/>	student, test2	<a href="#">My Essay</a>	99% <span style="color: red;">■</span>	<a href="#">✎</a>	*		206457301	07-Oct-2011
<input type="checkbox"/>	student, test3	Essay	96% <span style="color: red;">■</span>	<a href="#">✎</a>	*		206457535	07-Oct-2011
<input type="checkbox"/>	student, test1	Essay Assignment	26% <span style="color: yellow;">■</span>	<a href="#">✎</a>	*		206456326	07-Oct-2011

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Assignments submitted so far

3. Several options are available from the assignment detail screen:

The screenshot shows the Turnitin interface for an assignment titled "Essay Week 1". The interface includes a navigation bar with "edit assignment", "libraries", "class stats", and "preferences". Below the navigation bar, there are buttons for "submit paper" and "export". A table lists submissions with columns for AUTHOR, TITLE, SIMILARITY, GRADE, RESPONSE, FILE, PAPER ID, and DATE. Callout boxes provide instructions for various actions:

- Click the title of the submission to bring up the assignment details and grade it.
- Click on the Similarity % to show the assignment details with Originality activated.
- Click on the File icon to download the original submission.
- "Edit Assignment Settings" allows easy editing of due dates and assignment options.
- Click a student name to bring up that student's profile and view all of his/her submissions in your class.
- Click on the Grade icon to view assignment details with GradeMark activated.
- Click on "Roster Sync" to synchronize this list with the Blackboard roster.

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student, test2	My Essay	99%		*		206457301	07-Oct-2011
student, test3	Essay	96%		*		206457535	07-Oct-2011
student, test1	Essay Assignment	26%		*		206456326	07-Oct-2011

Grades can be entered by clicking on the title of the submission. Grades entered using the Turnitin interface will be recorded into the Blackboard grade center. Grades will be visible to students when they click on "My Grades."

For more information about the assignment inbox, refer to:

[http://www.turnitin.com/en\\_us/training/instructor-training/accessing-the-assignment-inbox](http://www.turnitin.com/en_us/training/instructor-training/accessing-the-assignment-inbox)

(some screens may be slightly different inside Blackboard)

It is also possible to use GradeMark to comment on papers without downloading them. Students can see these comments when they check their assignment grade in My Grades. More on GradeMark:

[http://www.turnitin.com/en\\_us/training/instructor-training/grademark-overview](http://www.turnitin.com/en_us/training/instructor-training/grademark-overview)