### What is New in WebCT CE 6 -- FEATURES

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<th>COURSE PREPARATION</th>
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<td><strong>Quick Start Page</strong></td>
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<td>- Rapid set up their course.</td>
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<td>- Checkboxes allow quick addition of communication, organizational, and learning activity tools.</td>
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<td><strong>Interactive Student View</strong></td>
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<td>- One-click access to real, interactive student view.</td>
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<td>- Experience course exactly as students will.</td>
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<td>- Can review content, submit assignments, and take quizzes just as students would.</td>
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<td><strong>Easy Content Upload</strong></td>
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<td>- Easily move multiple files at one time from local computer into their course.</td>
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<td>- Familiar &quot;My Computer&quot; navigation.</td>
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<td>- Can place files directly on a page, in a folder, or in a learning module for presentation in their courses.</td>
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<td><strong>New My Files Area</strong></td>
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<td>- The My Files folder can be accessed from anywhere through My WebCT or through any course section.</td>
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<td>- Students also have a My Files area where they can store and access files related to their coursework.</td>
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<td><strong>Distinct Designer and Instructor Roles</strong></td>
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<td>- The designer and instructor roles are separate.</td>
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<td>- Each designer for a course can be given a distinct identity.</td>
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<td>- Designers have access to all of the tools they need for course design, but do not have access to instructional tools, such as the Grade Book.</td>
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<td>- Instructors have access to all of the tools they need to manage courses and interact with students, but do not see the palette of course design tools.</td>
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<td>- Individuals can be assigned one or both roles.</td>
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<td><strong>New Link Annotations Feature</strong></td>
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<td>- Links can be annotated on course pages.</td>
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<td>- For example, descriptions can accompany icons and links on the course homepage to give students a better sense of what is available in each of the associated areas.</td>
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<td><strong>New Course Content Area</strong></td>
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<td>- <em>Course Content Home</em> appears at the top of the menu (left navigation) and can be accessed from anywhere.</td>
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<td>- It can be collapsed or expanded so that anything placed on the home page can be access from anywhere.</td>
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<td>- Folders (formerly Organizers) can be easily accessed with a single click through the Course Content area.</td>
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<td>- Folders can be used to organize and present materials, such as lecture notes or readings, and can now also include links to specific activities, such as an assignment or discussion topic.</td>
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Personalized Content Delivery – Updated Selective Release Tool
- Nearly every type of content and activity in WebCT Campus Edition 6.0 — including individual assignments, discussion topics, chat rooms, and media library collections — can be selectively released to individuals or groups of students.
- Can add multiple types of release criteria to a single item.
- New Selective Release tool allows control of all selective release from a central location.
- Can view selective release criteria by student.

New Learning Module Functionality
- Learning Module (more robust than former Content Module) permits links to specific activities (e.g., individual assignments, discussion topics, links, quizzes).

More Flexible Web Links
- Web Links (URLs) can be annotated anywhere they are added to a course.
- Links are automatically added to a comprehensive Web Links page, (central place to access all web links used within a course).

New Media Library
- Glossary with multi-media capabilities.
- Terms can be automatically hyperlinked to words throughout the course content.
- All media links originate here.

New Media Library
- New Announcements tool allows announcements to be delivered as a pop-up.

Integrated Chat and Whiteboard
- Chat and Whiteboard integrated.
- The ability to mute or deny access.
- New "hand raise" mode.
- The option to upload, save, and create slides using the whiteboard (which includes full drawing capabilities).

New Discussion Management
WebCT Campus Edition 6.0 includes new discussion management options, including the ability to add instructions for each discussion topic, edit postings, and re-order discussion topics and categories.
Easier Discussion Navigation
- Sort any discussion topic by message subject, author, or date.
- "Expand all" to view all posts within a topic.
- Posting list automatically updated with each new post.

Enhanced Mail System
- Updated mail system incorporates a range of standard e-mail features.
- Send mail to groups.
- Global view of mail categorized by course through My WebCT.

Who’s Online Tool
- See who else is logged in.
- Can initiate chat with them.
- Instructors can choose to be “invisible” to students.

PeopleLinks Feature
- Students and instructors can click a student or faculty member’s name anywhere it appears in a course and send an e-mail to that person.

ASSESSMENTS

New Question Types
- Four new question types for all assessments:
  - combination multiple choice
  - true-false
  - jumbled-sentence
  - fill-in-the-blank.

Additional Grading Options
- Two new grading options.
  - Grade-by-question: see every student response to a particular question
  - Anonymous grading: evaluate student responses anonymously.

Simplified Assessment Creation
- Easier to create.
- New option -- organizing assessments into different sections and grouping questions by concept
- Click "preview" tab to "road test" assessment (take a quiz just as students will).

Easier Management of Assessment Submissions
- Organizes submissions for easy viewing of status: complete, need review or grading, not submitted.
ASSIGNMENTS

New Setup Options
• Can create individual assignments, group assignments, or custom assignments with different instructions for each individual or group.
• Can specify different options for returning assignments, including responding only with text, with an attachment, or with a web link.
• Can designate “grace period” beyond due date.

Iterative Review
• Option to return assignment to student or group without a grade but with comments and additional attachments (such as a marked up version of the original submission).
• Students can then resubmit the same assignment.
• This process can continue iteratively until the instructor determines that the assignment has been completed.

Convenient Submission
• Students can save assignments and come back later.
• Students can be given option to recall submitted assignments to make additional modifications.

Submission Publishing
• Instructors, and optionally students, can publish completed assignments so the entire class can see them.

Easier Submission Management
• Assignment Dropbox shows all submissions in one place identifying whether they have been submitted, graded, published.
• Can sort by assignment name, student name, or date submitted.

Offline Review
• Can select multiple assignment submissions, save them as ZIP files, and download them for offline review.

COURSE MANAGEMENT

Group Management
• New Group Manager to create and manage class groups.
• Central Group Manager tool for creating groups, setting up private group discussion boards and chat rooms in one step.

Group Sign-Up
• Students can sign up for their own groups.
• Can allow (or not) students to see who has already signed up in each group.
**Discussion Grading**
- Direct grading area added to the Discussions tool automatically recorded in Grade Book.
- Can see all of one student’s posts.
- Can see rest of thread for particular post
- Can review total participation versus the class average.

**New Gradebook**
- Access Grade Book with a single click from anywhere in course.
- Students’ first and last names are frozen into place while scrolling through other columns.
- Access to key statistics for each column in the Grade Book (including average, median, maximum, minimum, and standard deviation).

**Grade Change Tracking**
- Can override any grade recorded in the Grade Book, including quiz grades.
- When a grade is changed, it is automatically marked as such, creating an audit history of grade changes.
- Can also add notes or comments to explain grade changes as necessary.

**Expanded Activity Tracking**
- Student activity tracking can be viewed per student or per student per session.
- New events tracked include number of Mail messages read, Calendar entries viewed, Media Library collections and entries viewed, files viewed, pages viewed in folders, number of assessments and assignments started and completed, and total time spent on assignments and assessments.

**Summary Reports**
- Details on total sessions, session length, and most active hours and days.
- Can be displayed as table or graph.

**ADMINISTRATION**

**New Auditor Role**
- New learner role called the Auditor.
- Auditors can fully participate in a course just like a student, but they do not receive mid-term or final grades.

- Can create content modules offline using applications such as Microsoft FrontPage and Microsoft PowerPoint.
- These objects can be directly imported into WebCT with all of their structure and linking intact.
- Learning objects (content modules and assessment suite) can be tagged and exported for storage or re-use.