

## Create a VIA LiveText Assignment

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### Overview

This tutorial will explain how to create a **VIA LiveText Assignment**. VIA LiveText integrates with Blackboard Learn, so you can provide students with a direct link to the VIA LiveText assignment you want them to complete without requiring them to leave the LMS.

To successfully submit VIA LiveText assignments through Blackboard, students must take the following steps:

1. [Log in to Blackboard](#) and navigate to the assignment's location.
2. Click on the link for the assignment to be taken to VIA LiveText where they will make their submission. Students will have to log in to VIA LiveText on their first visit. Subsequent visits will take students directly to VIA LiveText without requiring a login.

### Quick Steps

Log in to VIA LiveText > Create Activity > Visible/Open for Submission Date > Template > Grade will be sent to LMS/CMS > Publish > Share > Copy Link > Log in to Blackboard > Content Area > Build Content > Web Link > Paste URL > Set Options > Submit

### Step 1

Log in to your VIA Account at <http://www.vialivetext.com> and click *Create Activity*.

### Step 2

Fill out all Activity requirements.

To enable Blackboard integration for this assignment, set the “Visible” date and “Open for Submission” date to the date you want your students to **see your assessment**, not the date you want them to submit the assignment. This action will not affect their ability to complete and submit the assignment in VIA LiveText.

Also, set the “Template” field to **Primary Score**, and check the “Grade will be sent to LMS/CMS grade book” checkbox. This action will ensure that all grades are entered in both VIA LiveText and Blackboard Learn.

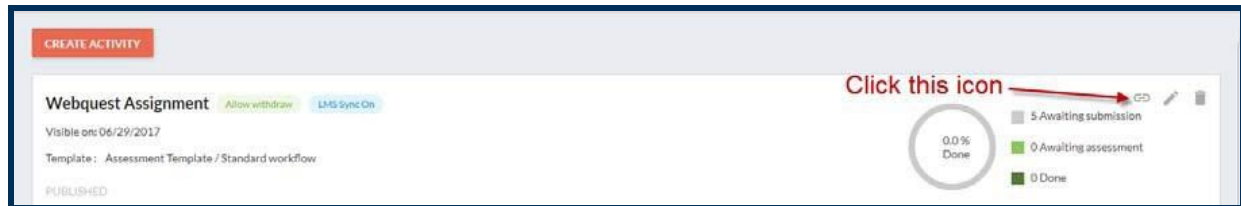


### Step 3

When finished, click the *Publish* button.

### Step 4

Click on the Share icon (chain link) in the right sidebar.



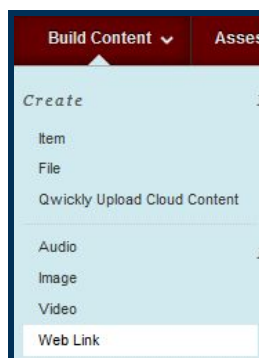
### Step 5

Copy the link from the Get LTI link area.

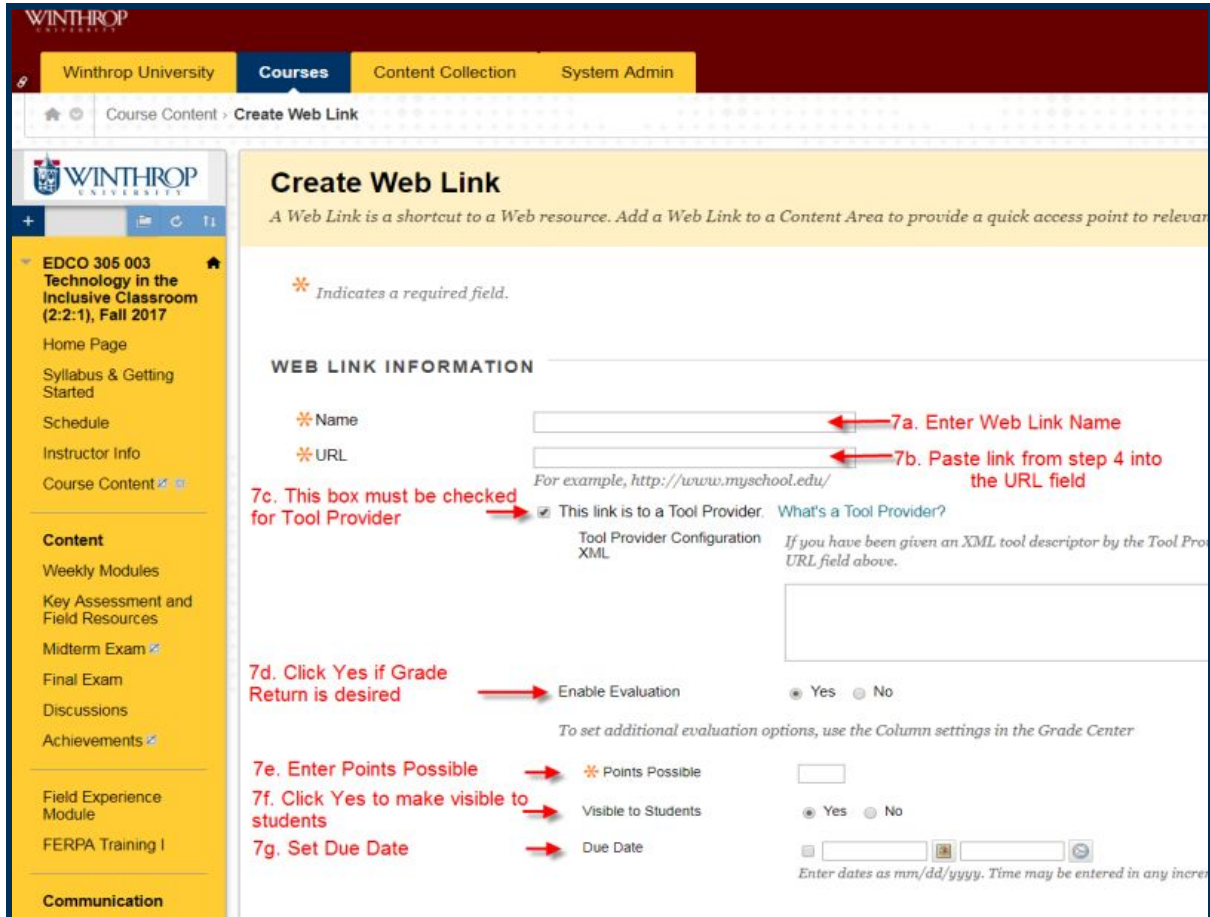


### Step 6

Log in to Blackboard at <http://bb-winthrop.blackboard.com> and open the course that will contain the VIA LiveText assignment. Then, navigate to the Content Area of the course where you want to place the VIA LiveText assignment. From the Content Area, hover over *Build Content* on the Action Bar and select “Web Link.”



## Step 7



The screenshot shows the 'Create Web Link' form in the Blackboard LMS. The form is titled 'Create Web Link' and includes a navigation menu on the left for the course 'EDCO 305 003 Technology in the Inclusive Classroom (2:2:1), Fall 2017'. The main form area contains the following fields and options:

- WEB LINK INFORMATION**
  - Name:** A text input field with a red arrow pointing to it labeled '7a. Enter Web Link Name'.
  - URL:** A text input field with a red arrow pointing to it labeled '7b. Paste link from step 4 into the URL field'. Below the field is the example text: 'For example, http://www.myschool.edu/'.
  - Tool Provider:** A checkbox labeled 'This link is to a Tool Provider.' with a red arrow pointing to it labeled '7c. This box must be checked for Tool Provider'. Below this checkbox are two sub-sections: 'Tool Provider Configuration XML' and 'What's a Tool Provider?'.
  - Enable Evaluation:** A radio button labeled 'Yes' is selected, with a red arrow pointing to it labeled '7d. Click Yes if Grade Return is desired'. Below this is the text: 'To set additional evaluation options, use the Column settings in the Grade Center'.
  - Points Possible:** A text input field with a red arrow pointing to it labeled '7e. Enter Points Possible'.
  - Visible to Students:** A radio button labeled 'Yes' is selected, with a red arrow pointing to it labeled '7f. Click Yes to make visible to students'.
  - Due Date:** A date selection field with a red arrow pointing to it labeled '7g. Set Due Date'. Below the field is the text: 'Enter dates as mm/dd/yyyy. Time may be entered in any incre'.

- In the Name field, type the title of the assignment, i.e. EDCO 305 Key Assessment.
- In the URL field, paste the link from [Step 4](#).
- Check the checkbox for “This link is to a Tool Provider.”
- Set the Enable Evaluation option to “Yes” using the radio button to enable the Grade Return feature from VIA LiveText to Blackboard.
- Enter the Points Possible in the appropriate field. VIA LiveText and Blackboard Learn do not need to have the same points possible. A percentage calculation from the VIA LiveText activity will be entered in the Blackboard Results Center.
- Set the Visible to Students option to “Yes” using the radio button to display the assignment to students immediately.
- Set a Due Date, if applicable, and complete any other desired Standards Options.

## Step 8

Click the *Submit* button. The assignment link will now display in the Content Area.