

Becoming a Successful Online Student

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What is Blackboard?

Blackboard is the web-based Learning Management System (LMS) you use to access your course learning materials and other relevant information that your instructor provides.



Browsers

Google Chrome is the most compatible with Blackboard.



<https://www.google.com/chrome/>



<https://www.mozilla.org/en-US/firefox/new/>

Acceptable:

- Microsoft Edge - <https://www.microsoft.com/en-us/edge>
- Safari - <https://support.apple.com/en-us/HT204416>



NOT Compatible



Lamar State College
— Orange —

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MYGATOR

Introducing MyGator!

How to Access Blackboard

1. www.lSCO.edu
2. Click on MyGator button (top right corner)
3. Click on Login to MyGator
4. Enter your username and password
5. Find and click the Blackboard "card"

** Please do NOT use Internet Explorer



Login to MyGator

Customize MyGator by adding and removing "cards".

1 of 1 [How to Add and Remove Cards](#)

Bookmarks



Add quick links
Use the + icon to create links
to your most important
pages.

Blackboard



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Office 365



Microsoft
Office 365

Gator Self Service



GATOR SELF SERVICE



View Your Courses in Bb

The screenshot displays the Blackboard user interface for Lamar State College Orange. On the left, a dark sidebar menu contains several options: 'Institution Page', 'Roseanne Jungen', 'Activity Stream', 'Courses' (highlighted with a yellow circle), 'Organizations', 'Calendar', 'Messages', 'Grades', 'Assist', 'Tools', 'Sign Out', 'Privacy', and 'Terms'. The main content area features a header with the college logo and name. Below the header, a welcome message reads: 'Welcome to your upgraded Blackboard experience!'. A central box contains a video player titled 'LSCO Blackboard Ultra Guide' with a play button. The video description states: 'Welcome to your upgraded Blackboard experience! The new school year brings new tools and features to enhance your online learning experience. Please watch the video to learn more about the upgrade. **Please note that your courses will not appear on your course list until the first day of class, August 22, 2022.** Are you a Bb Mobile User? Now that Blackboard is upgraded, you will need to remove and reinstall the Bb Mobile App so that you will be ready to use it! Please contact the Online Support Desk at 936.496.5378 or bbhelp@lSCO.edu'. Below the video, there is an 'LSCO Info' section with a photo of a building and a sign that says 'THE FUTURE IS BRIGHT ORANGE'. To the right of the photo is a list of links: 'LSCO Events', 'LSCO Suggestions', and 'Office 365'. A help icon is visible in the bottom right corner of the main content area.

Click “Courses” on the left menu to view your current courses.

Student Resources in Blackboard

Academic Services

- Self Service Banner
- Online Tutoring
- Degrees/Certificates
- Important Dates
- Library Access
- Bookstore Information
- Gator Success Center (aka Learning Center)
- Lifesavers! (Success Seminars)
- Distance Education Resources

Student Services

- Help Desk Information
- Advising
- Financial Aid
- Tuition and Fees
- Records
- Admissions
- Policies
- Student Organizations
- Student Resources



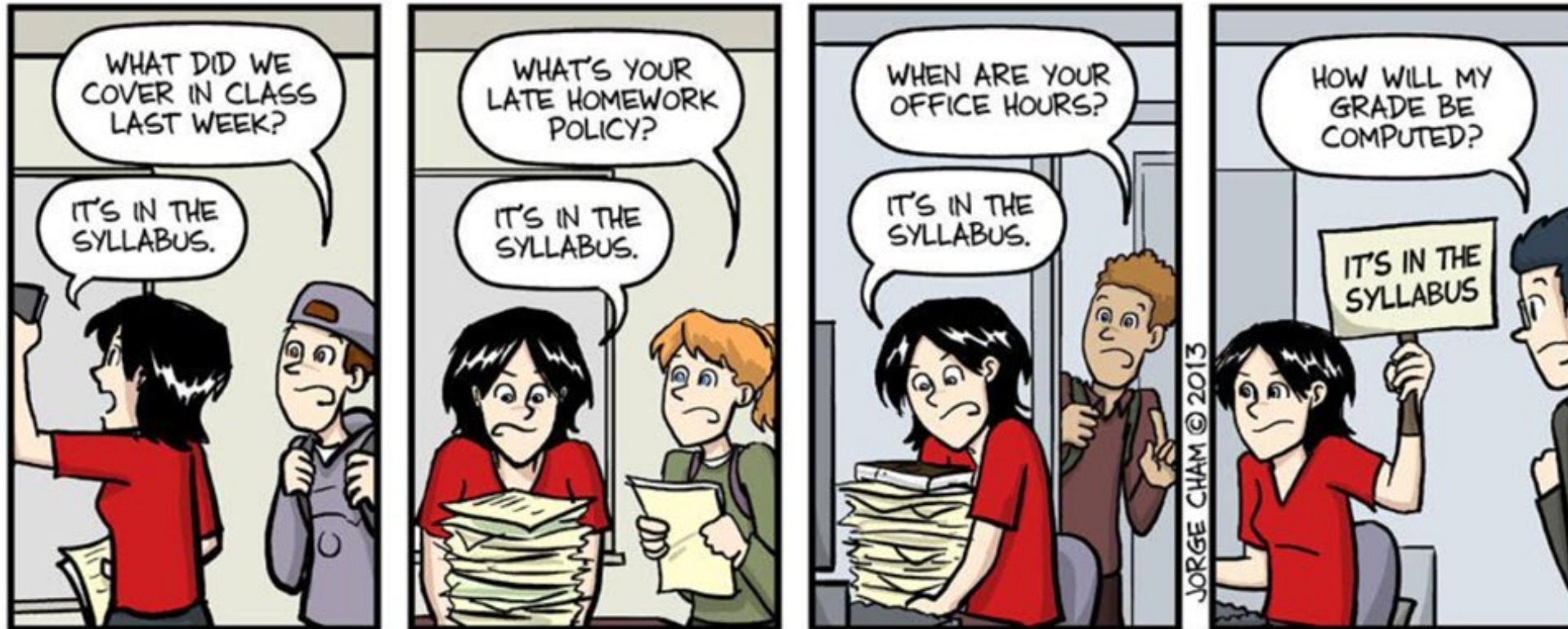
Reliable Internet and Computer Access



When doing assignments and taking tests, use desktops or laptops. Do **NOT** use tablets or smartphones as this will not work properly.



Course Expectations



IT'S IN THE SYLLABUS

This message brought to you by every instructor that ever lived.

WWW.PHDCOMICS.COM

Read! Read! Read!

- Syllabus
- Schedule
- All instructions
- Course content

NOTE: Your courses in Blackboard will be available to you 48 hours prior to first class day.





Communication

- Email
- Phone
- Discussion Boards
- Classmates



Time Management

- Do not procrastinate!
- Make a schedule
- Monitor due dates carefully
- Study 3-6 hours or more each week per course
- Check your classes daily



Blackboard Trainings/Support

Blackboard Online Student Training

If you need help learning how to navigate Blackboard, please attend one of these scheduled online sessions below.

<https://bit.ly/bbfall2023>

August 21, 2023	9:30 am - 10:30 am OR 7 pm – 8 pm
August 22, 2023	10 am - 11 am OR 6:30 pm – 7:30 pm
August 23, 2023	9:00 am - 10:00 am OR 7 pm – 8 pm
August 24, 2023	8:30 am - 9:30 am OR 6:30 pm – 7:30 pm
August 25, 2023	10:30 am - 11:30 am OR 6:30 pm – 7:30 pm

How To Get Help



Blackboard Help Videos

[Videos for Students](#)

[Videos for Instructors](#)



Blackboard Learn App

IMPORTANT: This tool is meant to help you stay connected to your classes such as staying alert with notifications.

It is **NOT** meant to be used to complete course work.



- [Blackboard Learn on Android](#)
- [Blackboard Learn on iOS](#)

The End
