Track Survey Submissions to Give Credit to Students

Overview

To promote completion rates for course surveys, instructors may decide to track submissions and award extra credit to students who complete the survey. Unfortunately, Surveys cannot be directly linked to the gradebook. However, there are some tracking options to determine who has completed the survey. This guide provides recommendations for surveys that are NOT set as anonymous, and a workaround for tracking anonymous surveys. Remember, once a survey is marked anonymous, the user submissions cannot be directly tracked.

Objectives

By following the guide, you will be able to:

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Part 2: Track Submissions for Anonymous Surveys

Track Submissions for Non-Anonymous Surveys

These recommendations are only for surveys that are NOT set as anonymous.

- Use the Surveys tool to view the Statistics for the survey. From Statistics view, click the ‘Attempts’ tab to see a condensed list of students who submitted a survey attempt.
- Use the Surveys tool to create a Report for Individual Attempts that can be exported.
- Use the Intelligent Agents tool to receive an email for each survey submission.
- Use the Class Progress tool to change your dashboard to include a summary of which students have completed surveys. This view does not show you the individual attempts.

1. Click Class Progress in the navigation bar.
2. Click the link to Settings located in the top-right.
3. Click the dropdown arrow next to one of the indicators to replace.
4. Select Replace.
5. Scroll down and click on Survey Completion Summary.
6. Click Save and Close.
Track Submissions for Anonymous Surveys

Although, anonymous submissions cannot be directly tracked, there are some workarounds to help identify which users may have (vs not) submitted a survey.

- Use class incentives to increase submission numbers. Consider offering extra credit for the entire class (all or nothing) IF there is a 90% completion rate for the survey. Check Statistics in the Survey tool for the number of attempts. (Note: This approach may work better for face-to-face classes.)

- Use the Content tool to view each student’s interaction with the survey.
  1. Click Content in the navbar.
  2. Click the Table of Contents link in the navigation panel on the left side of the page.
  3. Click the Related Tools button along the top.
  4. Select View Reports in the dropdown menu.
  5. Scroll down to the module where the survey link is located.
  6. Under the ‘Users Visited’ column, click the blue number link.
  7. This view will display a list of the student names along with the number of visits and time spent on the survey topic.