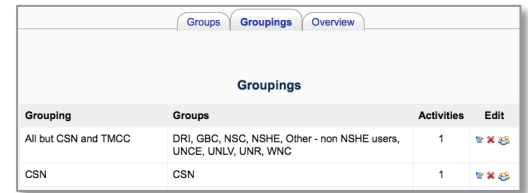


Moodle Groups/Groupings

How to customize activity access



Grouping	Groups	Activities	Edit
All but CSN and TMCC	DRI, GBC, NSC, NSHE, Other - non NSHE users, UNCE, UNLV, UNR, WNC	1	[Edit] [Delete]
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What is the purpose?

There are occasions where a teacher wishes to customize the experience students have when they enroll in a course, based on some characteristic of the student. For example, students from a state or institution might receive a different certificate from those received by students in other states or institutions. Or, students who pay a fee for a course might have access to more pieces of the course than students accessing the course for free. One option in such cases is for teachers to create and maintain separate courses, but this leads to duplicating effort any time some course content changes. The use of groupings facilitates such customized access.

How does a student become a member of a group?

There are two common methods used to assign someone to a group. One method is for a teacher to manually assign a student to a group. Through manual assignments, a student can even become a member of multiple groups. The more common method of assigning students to groups, however, is through the use of group enrollment keys. Just as a teacher can require an enrollment key for access to an entire course, a teacher can create groups, and give each group a unique enrollment key. When a student enrolls in the course, the enrollment key entered automatically assigns the student to the respective group. The teacher controls who gets into which group by carefully managing which enrollment key is issued.

What is a grouping?

A grouping is a group of groups. The grouping may be comprised of one group or many groups. With groups and groupings activated for a course, then each activity or resource in the course may be restricted for access only by a specified grouping. Every member of every group that is part of that specified grouping, then, has access to that activity/resource. A student not in a group that is part of that grouping can neither access that activity/resource, nor even see that the activity/resource is present in the course.

Where do I find the settings for groups & groupings?

Groups and groupings are a form of user management, so in the course administration block, under the Users menu is a link to Groups. The first step is to create the desired groups; then define the groupings as groups of groups. Just as a student may be a member of more than one group, a group may be a member of more than one grouping.

Where can I learn more about the use of groupings:

The information at <http://docs.moodle.org/23/en/Groupings> provides more information about how groupings might use, as well as how to set them up.

Where do I get help with my questions?

Help is available by sending an email to campushelp@extension.org.