Faculty Single Sign-on and Assignment Linking

Introduction

Grading is a measurement of the individual student's work, and how well that student meets the requirements of an assignment or course. Assessment is a measure of a program and how well the program is preparing students to meet defined outcomes or skill sets as we prepare them for graduation. Assessment rubrics are typically not intended to perform as a grading tools, but instead to show and measure points of academic development.

LiveText, a powerful online assessment and ePortfolio tool, has data warehousing capabilities that allows the university to collect longitudinal assessment data and to show and measure points of skill set development, such as the five Core Competencies: Written Communication, Oral Communication, Information Literacy, Critical Thinking, and Quantitative Reasoning.

While the majority of student work will continue to be submitted and graded within Canvas, ePortfolio assignments and assessment artifacts are collected within LiveText for more in-depth institutional assessment. LiveText can be integrated into Canvas course assignments by enabling single sign-on and grade return capabilities. These features provide streamlined access to LiveText within Canvas. And the automatic grade return linkage ensures that students need only submit in one place, and faculty need only grade in one place. Any numeric grading scores faculty enter within the LiveText grade field will transfer into the Canvas grade book.

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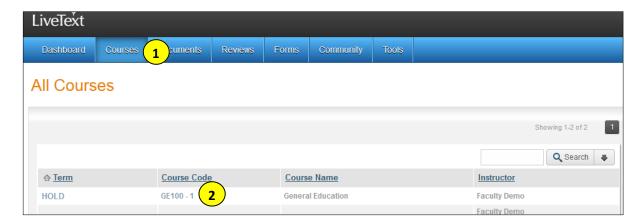
Additional online resources and tutorials available to help with course set-up and rubrics:

• LiveText Online Help (must be logged into LiveText): Create/Edit a Course Assignment

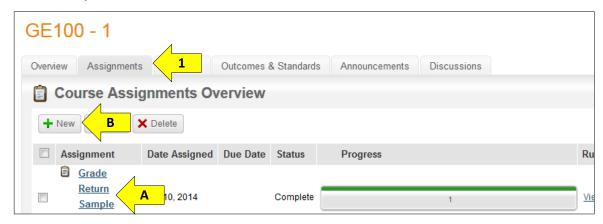
Step 1: Setting up course assignments in LiveText

1. After logging in at www.LiveText.com, navigate to Courses tab ①, and find matching Term (aka semester) and Course Code. Click on Course ② to open. Please note: to link LiveText and Canvas, the course codes and primary instructor(s) must mirror one another in each platform.



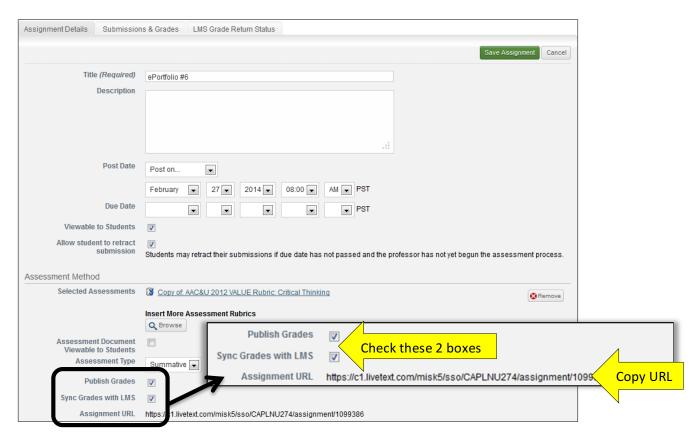


- 2. Select **Assignments** tab (arrow 1 below). The Assignments tab is where you can either create a new assignment find any previously created course assignments.
 - **A.** Using an **existing** assignment: Click **title** of assignment (arrow A below), then select **Edit** button. Skip to Step 3.
 - **B.** Create a **new** assignment: Click **New** (arrow B below), and then complete all assignment details (should match any details within Canvas if enabling grade return), attach assessment rubrics, templates or resources, etc.



3. To enable grade return from LiveText into Canvas, while in edit mode, check the **Publish Grades** and **Sync Grades with LMS** boxes. To link assignment into Canvas, copy the **Assignment URL**. Each assignment URL is unique, and can be paste into Canvas to link the two online platforms.

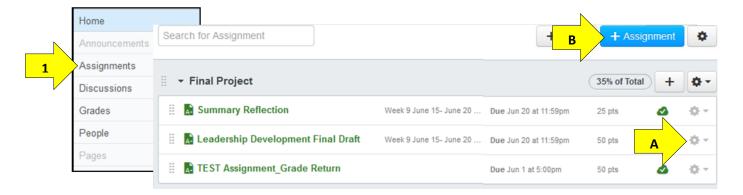




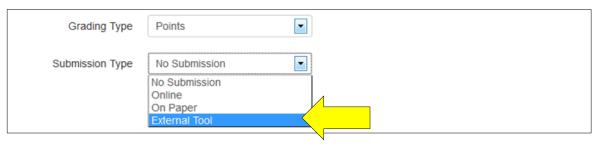
Step 2: Linking to CANVAS

- 1. Open the course and select **Assignments** (arrow 1 below) from the left hand navigational menu. With either of the following options, match assignment title and due date closely to what was selected in LiveText:
 - **A.** Using an **existing** assignment: Select **Edit** from assignment's wheel drop down menu (arrow A below), then select **More Options** button.
 - **B.** Create a **new** assignment: Click **+ Assignment** button (arrow B below), and then complete assignment details. (For optimal Canvas viewing after linkage, recommend the bulk of assignment description text is added to the LiveText assignment rather than Canvas).





2. While in Assignment Edit mode: scroll down to **Submission Type** drop-down menu, select **External Tool.** Once selected, a URL box appears.



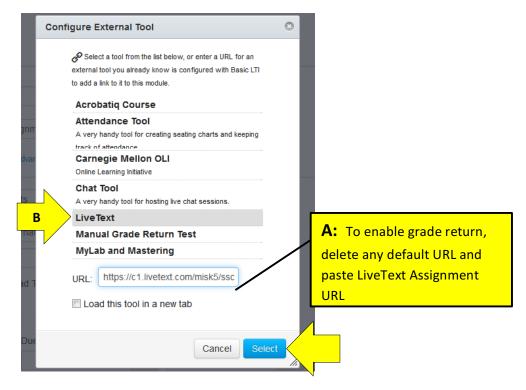
3. Click cursor within the External Tool URL box:



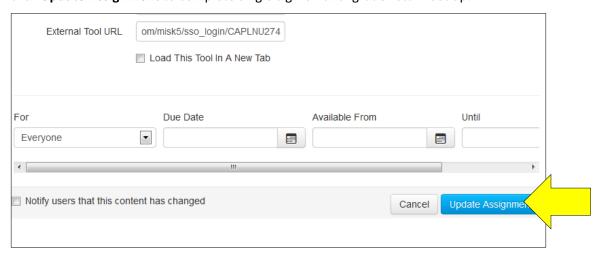
- 4. From Configure External Tool dialog box:
 - **A.** Enable grade return and/or direct access to assignment: Scroll below the default external tool buttons, and within the URL box, PASTE the copied LiveText assignment URL. This will enable single sign-on for first time users, then direct faculty and students directly to assignment (rather than dashboard). Click **Select** when finished to save work.
 - **B.** Enable single sign-on and access to LiveText Dashboard: Selecting the default LiveText external tool will direct faculty and students to the LiveText log-in page the first time it is used;



and to the LiveText dashboard anytime after the initial log-in. Click **Select** when finished to save work.



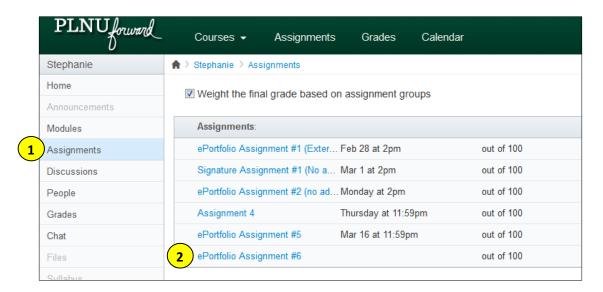
5. Click **Update Assignment** to complete single sign-on and grade return set up.



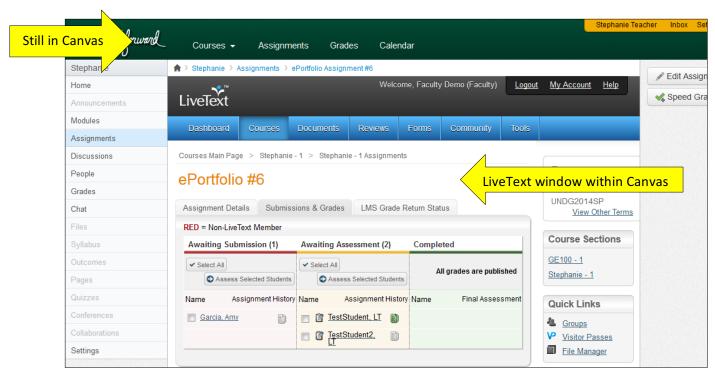
6. To begin assessing students, click on (1) Assignments, and then (2) assignment link.

Remember: The **first time** you or your students click on any embedded link directing to LiveText, you will first need to log-in. Forever after, you are logged into LiveText when accessing via Canvas.



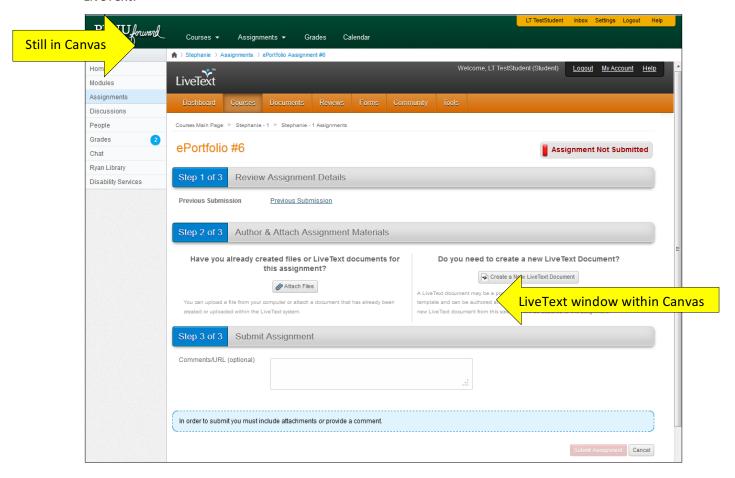


7. **Instructors** clicking the assignment link will be taken to the assignment's Submissions and Grades page within LiveText.





8. **Students** clicking the assignment link will be taken to the assignment's submission area within LiveText:





Step 3: Assessing and Grading Student Assignments

At this point in time Canvas and LiveText do not have file-sharing capability – which means assessment artifacts or rubrics loaded into one program, are not shared within the other. This is an industry issue that we hope will change.

<u>However</u>, with the capability of grade return from LiveText into Canvas, faculty may choose to complete both grading and assessment work in LiveText. Faculty who prefer to grade using Canvas tools may need to also ask students to load the artifact again to an assessment assignment in LiveText. This will provide long-term storage for not only assessment data, but also the accompanying artifacts.

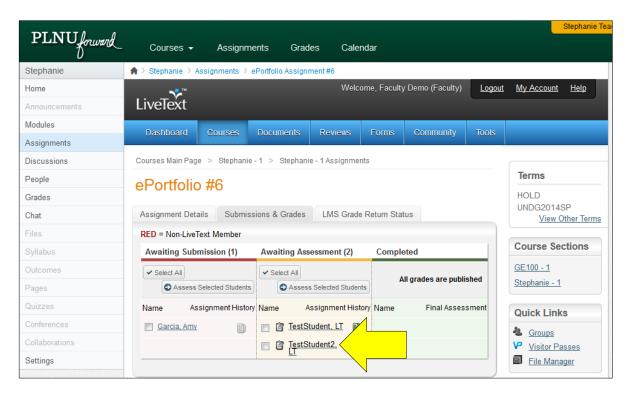
For Grade Return to work: Students **MUST** click on the Canvas assignment link at least once for the Grade Sync feature to work. If the student never clicks on the link and the instructor grades the student, the grade will not be posted to Canvas.

1. To assess and/or grade a student, **click on student's name**. By clicking directly on student's name, you are automatically taken to the student's assignment submission for assessment.

Pink Column = Awaiting Submission: student's assignment has not been received Yellow Column = Awaiting Assessment: Assignment has been submitted; waiting assessment Green Column = Completed: Assessment has been completed and submitted by assessor

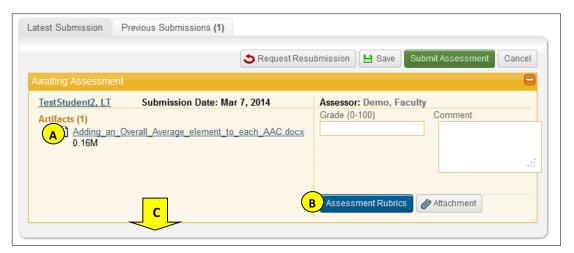
<u>Please note</u>: A student name in **red** means they have not yet set up their LiveText account. Assessment rubric can be completed; however, any rubric scoring will not appear in reporting until account has been created. In addition, grade return will not work for these students.







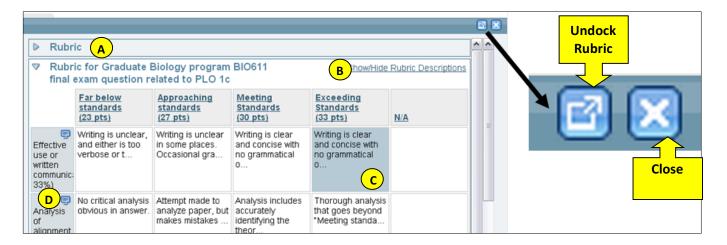
- 2. Within the Latest Submission dialog box:
 - a. To view attached files, under **Artifacts**, click each artifact link to open (**A** below)
 - b. To open rubric(s), click on the blue **Assessment Rubrics** button (**B** below)
 - c. To view ePortfolio (not attached in example below), scroll below the gold "Latest Submission" box (**C** below).



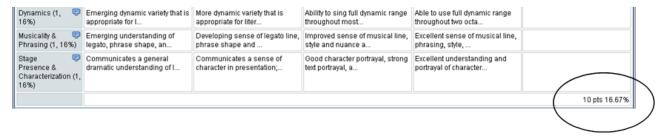
- 3. By default, rubrics open in a condensed view. For reference, please see screen shot below:
 - A. Click rubric **title** to open (in the example below, only the second of two rubrics has been opened).
 - B. Click **Show/Hide Descriptions** to further expand rubric text beyond the default condensed view.
 - C. **Select Cell**: Click on a **cell** to select the performance level for each rubric line.
 - D. **Leave comment on rubric**: click the **leave c**

HELPFUL TIP: To open rubric in a separate window (helpful when toggling between rubric and online materials), select the **undock** icon (see arrow below).

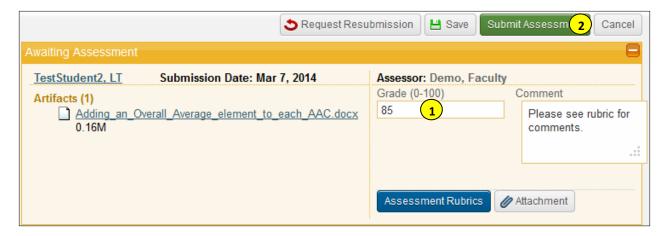




4. As you select cells, the rubric scoring is tabulated in the lower bottom corner of each rubric. When using a grading rubric, this scoring can be used to assign the number grade:



5. For **grade return**, assign a numeric grade for the assignment ①. When you click the **Submit Assessment** action button ②, the numeric value will be transferred into the Canvas Gradebook. While the student artifact, scored rubric for assessment remain stored in LiveText as assessment evidence.



FYI: Submission bar button descriptions:

Submit Assessment: Completes, or closes out, the assessment of student. Saves all comments,



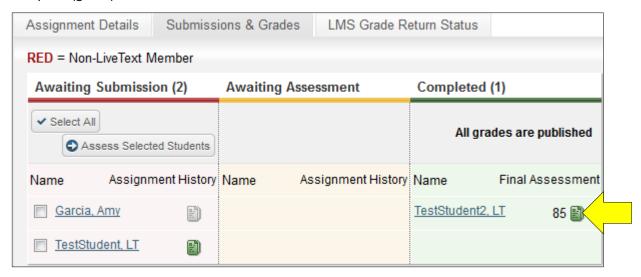
grades, and/or scoring on assessment rubrics, and completes the assessment process. If using grade return, transfer numeric grade value into Canvas Gradebook. On the Assignment Progress Bar and Submissions & Grades area, student will move from Awaiting Assessment (yellow) to Complete (green). All assessments must be submitted for scoring to appear in reporting.

Save: Allows assessor to save work, but does <u>not</u> close out the assessment. Saves all comments, grades, and/or scoring on assessment rubrics. Assessors can then reselect the student from the Awaiting Assessment to continue assessing the student at a later time.

Cancel: Will cancel, or delete, all comments, grades, and/or scoring on assessment rubrics for that student's assignment.

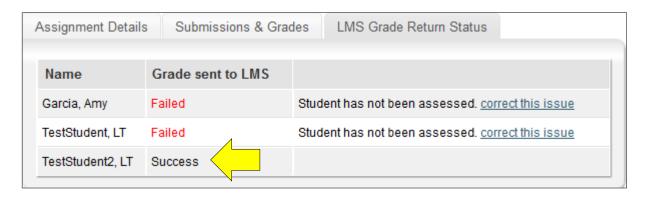
Request Resubmission: This will return the assignment to the student so that they can update and resubmit.

6. In the Submissions & Grades area, the student will move from Awaiting Assessment (yellow) to Complete (green).



7. On the LMS Grade Return Status tab, will show Success if grade was sent to Canvas:





8. And in Canvas, the grade will appear in the Grade book:

