Course Copy

Enter the Blackboard course you would like to copy material from and select **Course Copy** under **Packages and Utilities** in the **Control Panel**. Remember you are copying content from your previous semester course into your new semester course.



Select Copy Type:

Leave the default Copy Course Materials into an Existing Course, which is your only option.

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Destination Course ID:

- 1. Select the **Browse...** button to open the Courses window.
- 2. Select which course you would like to copy the material to.

Once you are finished selecting a course, scroll to the bottom of the page and select **Submit**.



Blackboard Questions? Contact the Center for Online Teaching and Learning Email: <u>blackboard@govst.edu</u> Phone: (708) 534-4115 The Courses window will close. You will notice the name of the course is in the Destination Course ID textbox.

* Destination Course ID Template_Summer2016 Browse...

You may select items individually, but gradable items such as Assignments, Tests, Discussion Boards, etc. must include other categories to be checked. For example, if you are copying the Quizzes and Exams content area, you must check Grade Center Columns and Settings and the Tests, Surveys, and Pools. If you are copying Assignments, you must check the Assignments content area and Grade Center Columns and Settings.

The easiest way to create an exact copy of another course is by clicking the **Select All** button, but make sure to follow the instructions step by step. You may not have some of the course materials provided in the screenshots below because every course is different, but follow along for the items available to you.

The first section below are the content areas available in your course. If you select all, you will not have to do anything more for this step.



The item you want to change is the Discussion Board. Currently the default is set to **Include starter posts for each thread in each forum (anonymized)**. This setting will copy the entire discussion board, even the threads from the previous semester students. Since the previous semester students will not be enrolled in the new course, anonymized will appear where the student's names would be. You then must go through each forum and remove all threads.

To prevent all this extra work, make sure to change this setting to **Include only the forums, with no starter posts**. This will copy only the forums with no threads attached.

You may leave all other items checked if you wish. Some instructors like have the same announcements available, but changing dates. If you do not want to bring over your announcements, please uncheck this item.

	Adaptive Release Rules for Content
	User criteria will not be captured if enrollments are not included. Assignment
	submissions will not be captured if the Grade Center columns and settings are
	not included.
\checkmark	Announcements
\checkmark	Blogs
\checkmark	Calendar
v	Contacts
\checkmark	Content Alignments
\checkmark	Discussion Board
	 Include starter posts for each thread in each forum (anonymized)
	Include only the forums, with no starter posts

The following items under **Settings** below should be checked. If not, make sure to only check **Banner Image**, **Language Pack**, and **Navigation Settings**.

All other items below should be checked for a proper course copy.



Blackboard Questions? Contact the Center for Online Teaching and Learning Email: <u>blackboard@govst.edu</u> Phone: (708) 534-4115 The last section in **Course Materials** you may leave checked. Even if you do not have Tasks, Wikis, or Wimba, the copy will only include what is available in the course. If you do not have these items available in the course, it will not appear in your new course.

- Tasks
- Tests, Surveys, and Pools
- Wikis
- Wimba Classroom
- Wimba Voice Authoring
- Wimba Voice Board
- Wimba Voice Podcaster
- Wimba Voice Presentation

File Attachments:

You have three options:

1. Copy links to Course Files: No copies of linked files are included in the copy. The copied course has the same set of links and those links point back to the original location of the link defined in the origin course.

2. Copy links and copies of the content (default): Makes copies of linked files but ONLY those files that are linked to course content. Files within the course's home folder that are not linked to any content are NOT included in the copy.

3. Copy links and copies of the content (include entire course home folder): Makes copies of ALL files in the course's home folder, even if the files are not linked to course content.

FILE ATTACHMENTS

Select an option for copying your file attachments. If content will be reused in a different course, copying links and copies of the content is the recommended option. Click **More Help** for additional information.

Course Files

Copy links to Course Files
 Copy links and copies of the content
 Copy links and copies of the content (include entire course home folder)

Enrollments:

Warning: Do not check Include Enrollments in the Copy. This will copy over all the enrollments from the previous course and add them to the new course. Please leave this option **unchecked**.



Once you are finished, click **Submit**. Wait to enter the new course until you receive the email in your GSU email account. Once you receive the email, enter the new course with the copied material and make any adjustments such as due dates, availability dates, etc.