How to Setup a Link to an OAP (Aqua) Assignment in Blackboard ULTRA

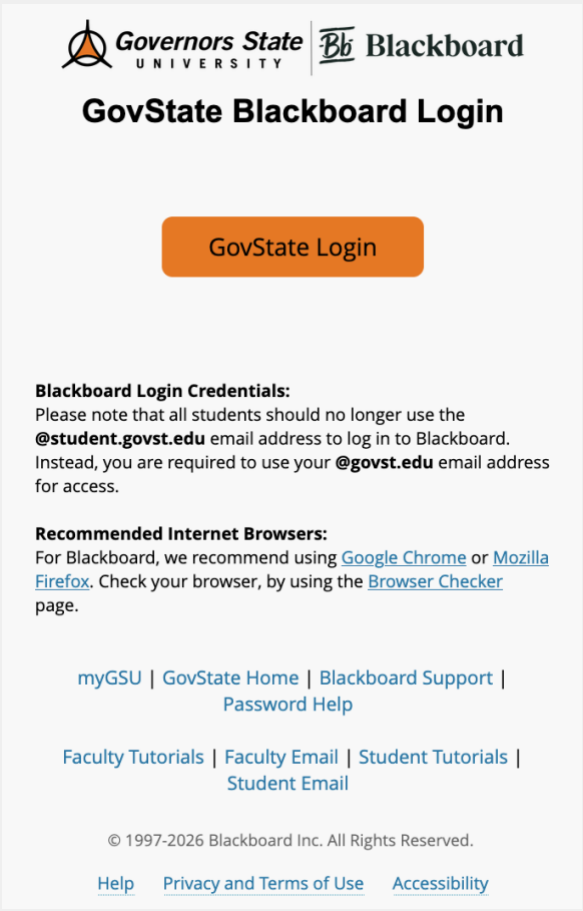
Outcomes Assessment Projects (formerly Aqua) is a product that is used for juried assessment of student work against standards rubrics. Results of these standards assessments can be reported for accreditation of departments and programs at GSU. *There is a difference between grading and assessment.* Grading is how many points a student earned on an assignment. Assessment is whether or not, or to what degree, student work met or did not meet a standard.

Students may need to submit their work in two different places: one for the instructor to grade, and one to be evaluated in the OAP (Aqua) assessment project by the jury of evaluators for accreditation purposes.

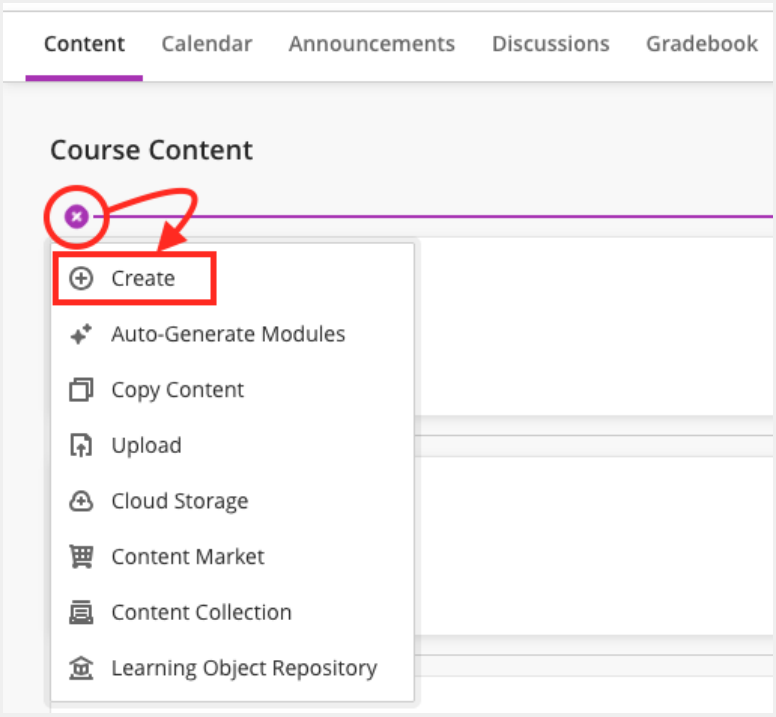
Your assessment coordinator will send you a link to be used in Step 3 below. This process will not work without that link – PLEASE SEE THE "KNOWN ISSUES" SECTION AT THE END OF THIS TUTORIAL BEFORE COPYING AND PASTING THE LINK!

Instructors will need to create a link in Blackboard to the OAP (Aqua) assessment project so that students can submit their work through this link. This link will be in addition to any assignment created in Blackboard for grading. *Remember, grading and assessment are different.*

1. Login to your Blackboard course.



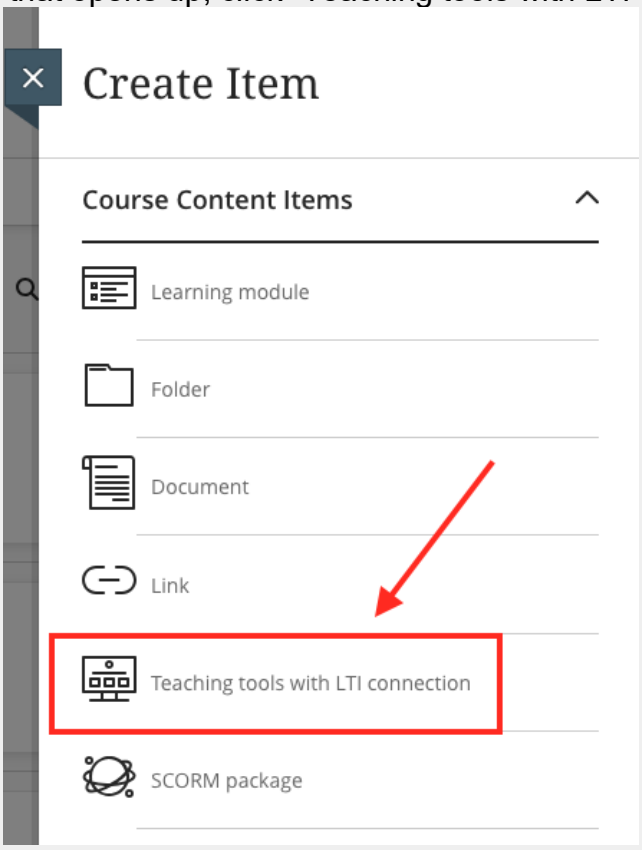
2. Find the content location where you will place the OAP (Aqua) link. Click the +, and choose “Create”.



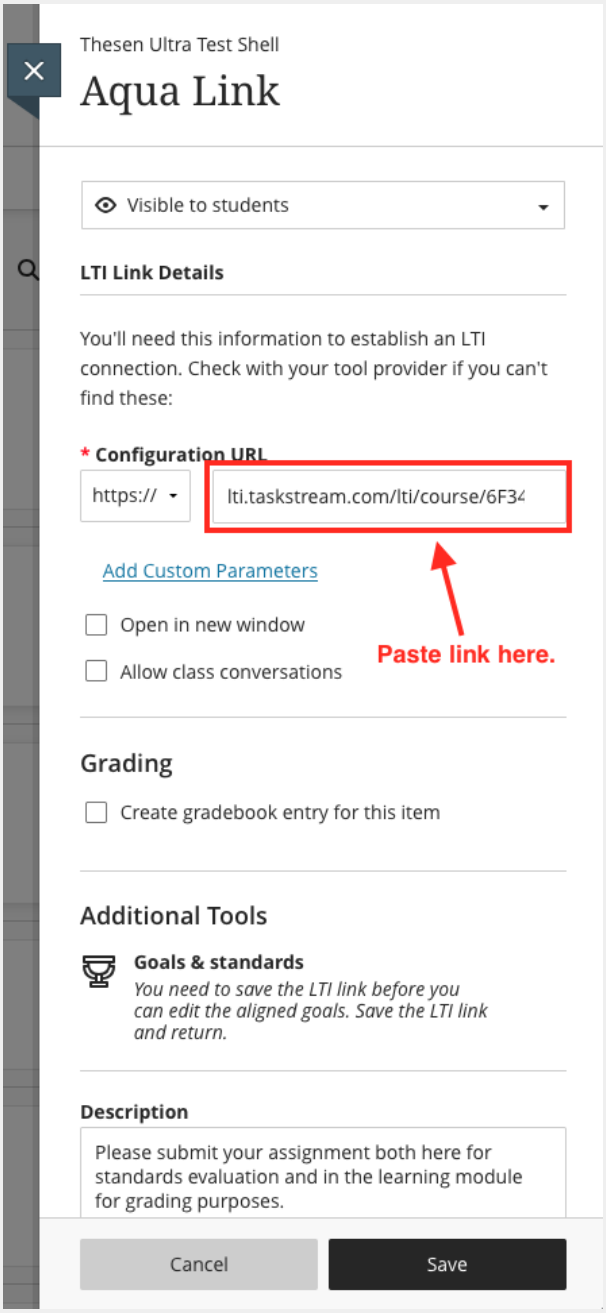
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3. On the right panel that opens up, click “Teaching tools with LTI connection”.



4. Give the assignment an appropriate name. Paste the link that was shared with you by the assessment coordinator of the OAP (Aqua) assessment project **PLEASE MAKE SURE TO CHECK THE “KNOWN ISSUES” SECTION AT THE END OF THIS TUTORIAL BEFORE COPYING AND PASTING!** ***Do not check any of the boxes for “Open in new window”, “Allow class conversations”, or “Create gradebook entry for this item”!***



Give the web link an appropriate description and be sure to make it visible to students. Then click the "Save" button at the bottom.

Known Issues:

1) ***DO NOT*** *copy and paste this link using right-click and then "Copy" from an email in Outlook. Doing this will cause Outlook to add extra text to the link as a security measure, because Outlook thinks the link might be a potential virus –* ***this link is not an actual website that you can go to****, but rather a* ***function*** *that allows Aqua to synchronize with a roster in a Blackboard shell and create a*

receptacle for students to submit their work to.

Example of a correct working link:
https://lti.taskstream.com/lti/course/74EA6B31C8987CA9F6A7FDFBCB4A0A5F/assignment/D0E20FFAF3F57DB1135AA9226E3C24D9/term/2B3E2280E9CA5AE925825589D9516473

Example of what happens to this same link when copied using right-click in Outlook:
https://nam11.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Flti.taskstream.com%2Flti%2Fcourse%2F74EA6B31C8987CA9F6A7FDFBCB4A0A5F%2Fassignment%2FD0E20FFAF3F57DB1135AA9226E3C24D9%2Fterm%2F2B3E2280E9CA5AE925825589D9516473&data=05|01|sthesen%40govst.edu|ac3c00aeba2e4f4700af08dadc4ceab2|b86dab28987f4cada951ce05b68601ab|0|0|638064520172459882|Unknown|TWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0=|3000|||&sdata=wg9KHSaeakhMh8LGVAKxgXIV7+6Llc4SayU%2FMDmhX9g=&reserved=0

The workaround for this issue is to highlight the text to be copied in the email, then use Ctrl-C for Windows, Cmd-C for Mac, or Edit→Copy from the top menu to copy the link before pasting into Blackboard.

2) *Because this link is a function and not an actual website, going to the link directly will result in loading an error message page.* ***The link will not work if shared directly with students.*** *It is meant to be pasted in the Blackboard item as noted above so that the function of linking Blackboard to Aqua will work properly.*

Remember, this link is only for students to submit their work to the assessment project in OAP (Aqua). *This is a separate item than the actual assignment submission prompt for grading purposes.*

Instructions for how students can submit work through an OAP (Aqua) link can be found on the Outcomes Assessment Projects (formerly Aqua) – Students page.