

# Rubric Course Tool

## Pearson Learning Studio's Rubric Course Tool

The new, integrated Rubric course tool makes it easy to grade student work using a rubric right in the Learning Studio gradebook. To create a rubric for your assignments, simply go to the Gradebook Set Up and click the link for the Rubrics tab.

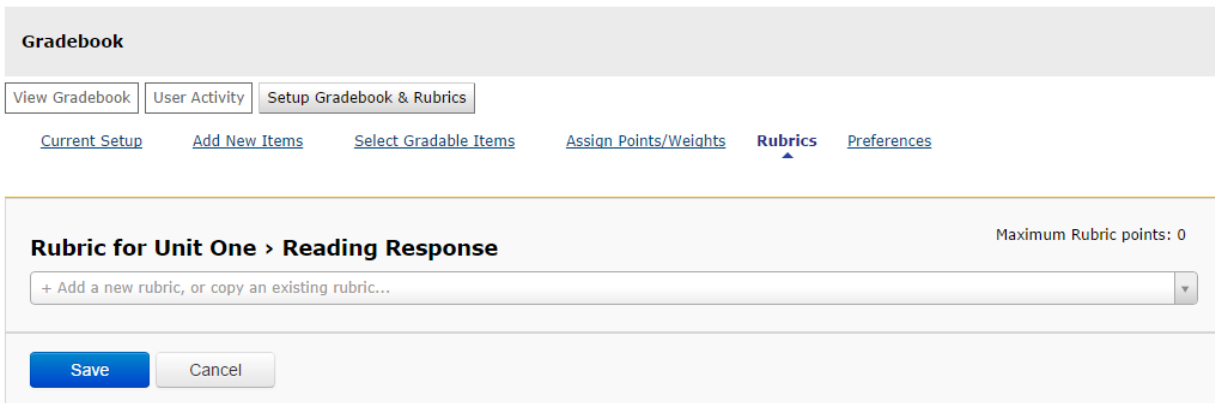
The screenshot shows the 'Rubric Test Course 2' interface. The 'Gradebook' section is active, and the 'Setup Gradebook & Rubrics' tab is selected. The 'Rubrics' sub-tab is highlighted. Below this, there are several summary tables for 'SUMMARY OF ASSIGNED POINTS', 'DISCUSSION', 'LECTURE NOTES', 'MIDTERM CONFERENCE', and 'READING RESPONSE'. Each table shows points assigned to 'All Class Members' across six units (1-6) and a total score. For example, the 'SUMMARY OF ASSIGNED POINTS' table shows a total of 132.50 pts for all class members, with 38 pts in extra credit.

Next, hit the button that says "+ Assign Rubric."

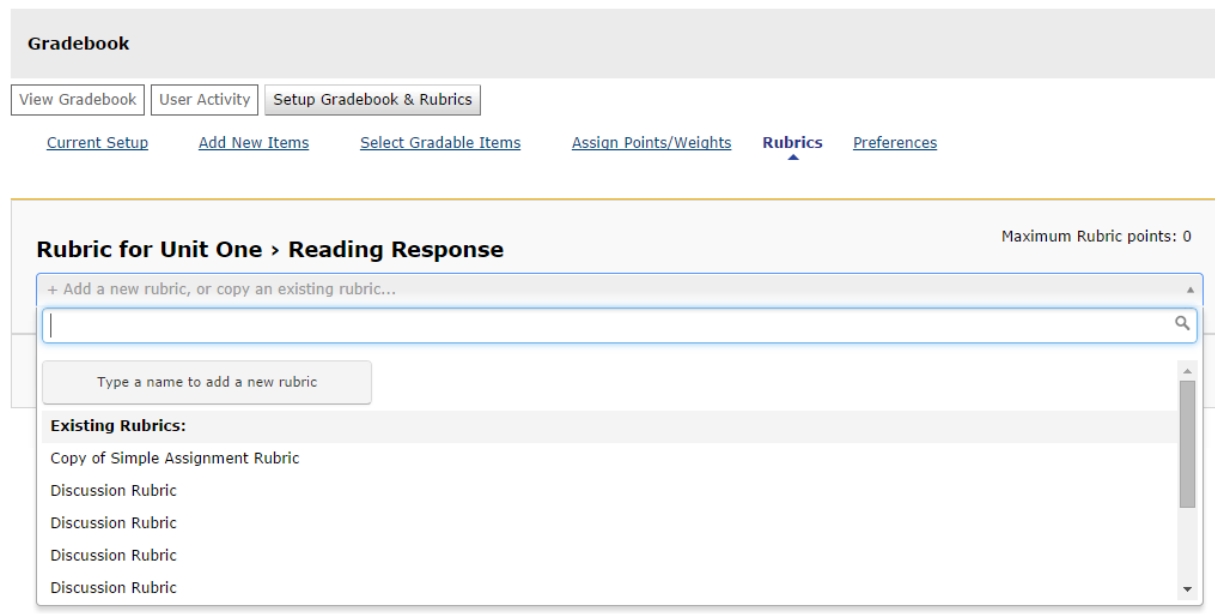
The screenshot shows the 'Rubrics' tab in the 'Setup Gradebook & Rubrics' section. A table lists attached rubrics for various course items. The '+ Assign Rubric' button is highlighted in a red box at the bottom of the table.

Gradable Item	Attached Rubric
Introduction > Lecture Notes	<a href="#">Simple Assignment Rubric for Introduction &gt; Lecture Notes</a>
Introduction > Discussion	<a href="#">Discussion Rubric for Introduction &gt; Discussion</a>
Unit One > Discussion	<a href="#">Discussion Rubric for Unit One &gt; Discussion</a> <a href="#">Edit</a> <a href="#">Delete</a>
Unit One > Reading Response	<a href="#">Copy of Simple Assignment Rubric for Unit One &gt; Reading Response</a>
Unit One > Reading Response	<a href="#">+ Assign Rubric</a>

This will open the Rubric Builder. To begin, select “+ Add a new rubric or copy an existing rubric...” from the drop-down menu.



To add a new rubric, enter a name that will indicate what this rubric is for. This name is what the rubric for this specific assignment will always be saved as.



**Gradebook**

View Gradebook | User Activity | **Setup Gradebook & Rubrics**

[Current Setup](#) | [Add New Items](#) | [Select Gradable Items](#) | [Assign Points/Weights](#) | **Rubrics** | [Preferences](#)

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**Rubric for Unit One > Reading Response** Maximum Rubric points: 0

+ Add a new rubric, or copy an existing rubric...

Sample Rubric

**Add as new rubric**

**Existing Rubrics:**

Then hit, “Add as new rubric.” You’ll come to a screen where you can start filling in your rubric. You’ll begin with a description of the assignment, in the Description box.

**Rubric for Unit One > Reading Response** Maximum Rubric points: 0

Sample Rubric

Description... 750

Use for numeric grade  Show to student

Criterion Name...		Points
Criterion Name...	Criterion Description...	0
+ Level		

+ Add Criterion

**Save**

There are optional checkboxes under the Description area. If you want students to be able to see the rubric, and the rubric to decide the numeric grade in the gradebook, you must ensure these boxes are checked.

**Rubric for Unit One > Reading Response** Maximum Rubric points: 0

Sample Rubric

This is where a description of your assignment and grading criteria would go. 672

Use for numeric grade  Show to student

**Thesis Statement**

Thesis Statement	Does student work have an arguable thesis statement?	<b>Points</b>	<b>0</b>
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Level Name...

Level Description...

Points:

**+**

**Level**

+ Add Criterion

From there, begin entering the information for your criterion. For this example, I used the criterion “Thesis Statement.” I added a description of what students needed to do to be successful in this criterion, and then added two levels. To modify a level, simply click the level name or description links, and you’ll be prompted to fill in the appropriate information in a new pop-up box.

**Rubric for Unit One > Reading Response** Maximum Rubric points: 0

Sample Rubric

This is where a description of your assignment and grading criteria would go. 672

Level Name		
Level Description		750

**Done**

Level Name...

Level Description...

Points:

**+**

**Level**

You should have at least two mastery levels per criterion, one “acceptable” and one “unacceptable.”

Acceptable

Student has an arguable thesis sentence 711

Done

Unacceptable

Student has no arguable thesis statement 710

Done

Student has an ... Points: 10	Student has no ... Points:	+ Level
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You can have as many levels as you like, though. Your highest level should have the full points value possible for each criterion, while your lowest level should have zero points.

Thesis Statement

Length

Length	Is the assignment the appropriate length?	Points 15
Exceeds Ex... Assignment exce... Points: 15	Acceptable Assignment meet... Points: 10	Unacceptab... Assignment does... Points: 0
		+ Level

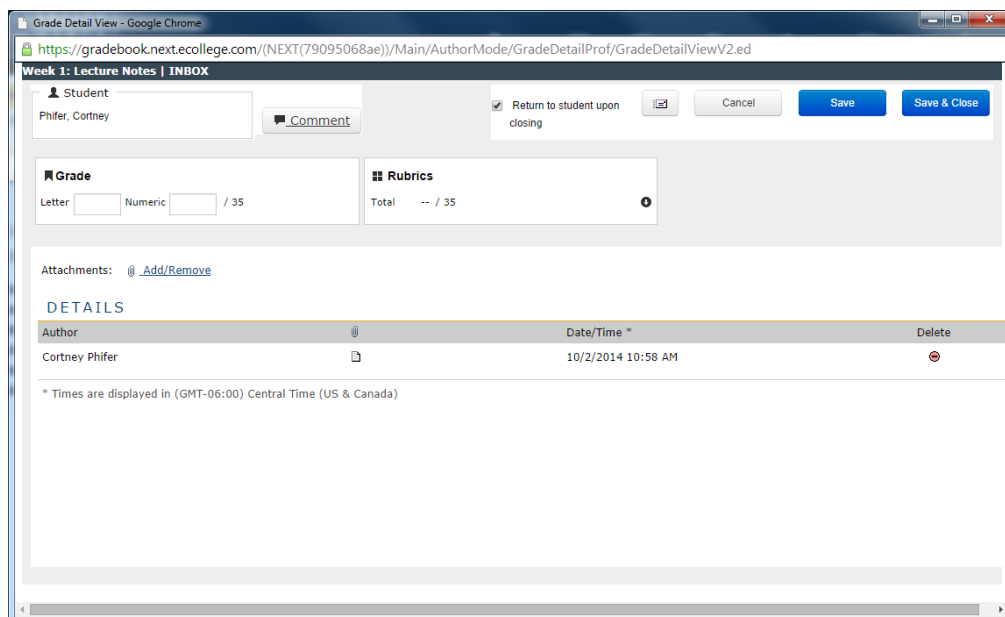
+ Add Criterion

Continue to add criterion until you are finished. Then, return to your gradebook set up. You should now see your rubric attached to an assignment. If you'd like to use the same rubric for another assignment, simply click "+Assign Rubric" and then select the rubric you want to copy from the drop down menu.

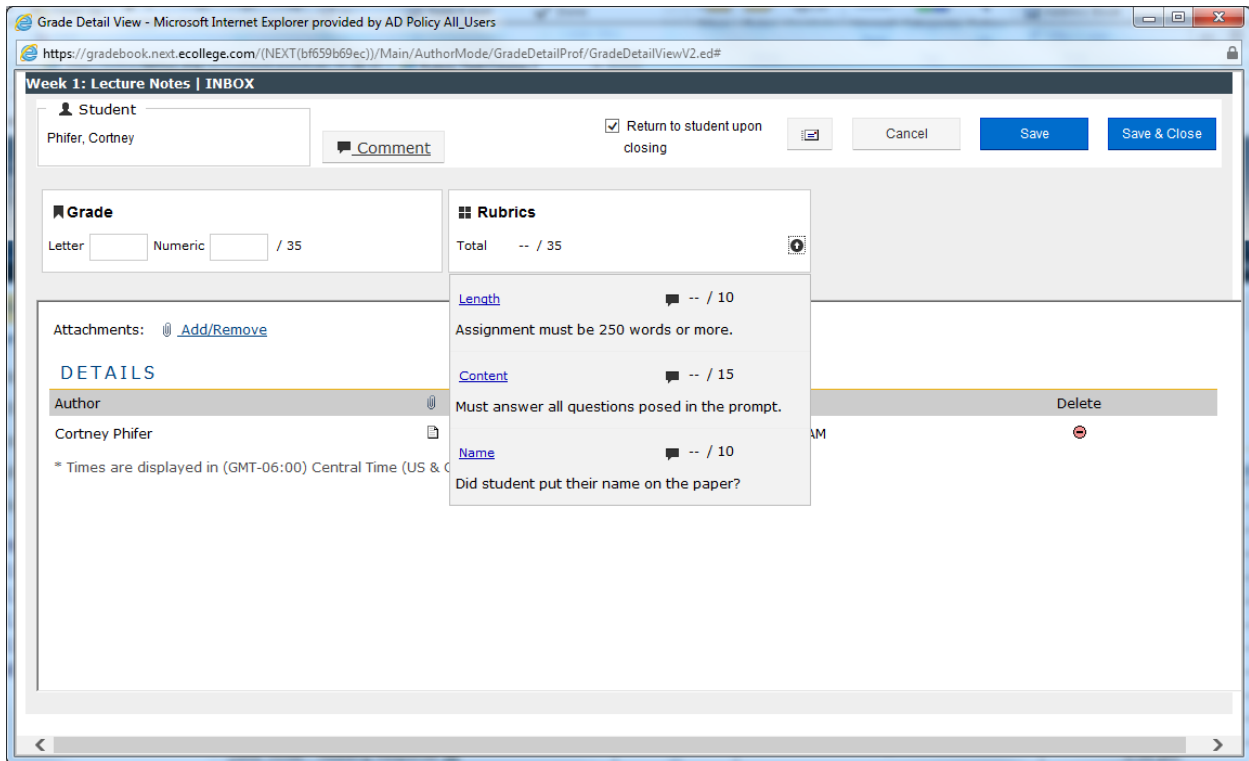
Gradebook	
View Gradebook   User Activity   Setup Gradebook & Rubrics	
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Unit One > <b>Writing Assignment</b>	+ Assign Rubric

## Grading with Rubrics

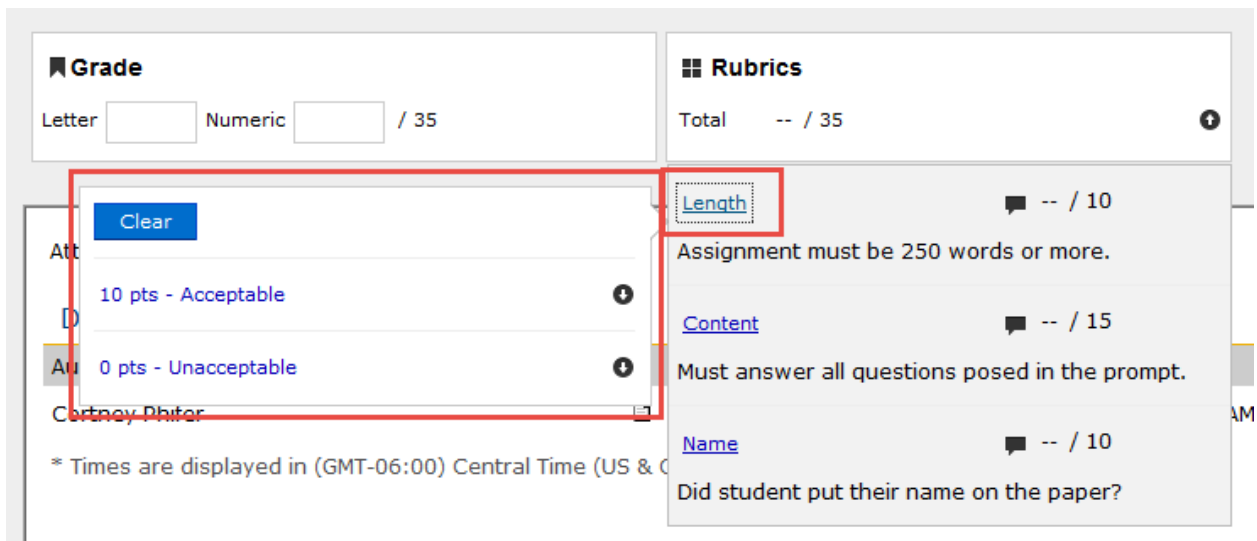
To grade with the integrated rubric, go into Dropbox or gradebook and open the student's grading window. Click the small arrow on the bottom right hand side of the Rubrics block.



This will open the rubrics menu. Here you'll see the criterion you've set up for this rubric.



Select one of the criterion names, and another menu will pop out to the left. Here, you can select which level and points value the student receives for this assignment. If you input a description of the levels, they will be shown when you click the black circle around the arrow.



Once you've selected the level that is appropriate, the box will pop back in, and points will populate within the grade window as well as in the rubrics block. Please note: if you did not select "Use for numeric grade" the rubric block will populate, but the grade window will not.

**Grade**  
Letter  Numeric  / 35

**Rubrics**  
Total 30 / 35

Attachments: [Add/Remove](#)

**DETAILS**

**Author**  
Cortney Phifer

**Grade Selection:**

**Rubric Details:**  
**Length** 10 / 10  
 Assignment must be 250 words or more.  
**Content** 10 / 15  
 Must answer all questions posed in the prompt.  
**Name** 10 / 10  
 Did student put their name on the paper?

Save and close as you usually would. This will populate the student's grade in the gradebook with the numeric grade generated by the Rubric selection. If you selected "Share with Student," the student will see this numeric score when they open the gradebook as well as the rubric with any comments you've made.

**Gradebook**  
Week 1: Lecture Notes | INBOX

**Grade**  
Letter: Numeric: 30 / 35

**Rubrics**  
Total 30 / 35

**Comments:**

**DETAILS**  
[Respond or Submit an Additional Assignment](#)

Author	Date/Time *
Anne Phifer	10/2/2014 2:59 PM
Cortney Phifer	10/2/2014 10:58 AM

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By clicking the down arrow in the same fashion you did to set up the rubric, students can see where their earned points came from by criterion.

**Grade**  
Letter:    Numeric: **30** / 35

**Comments:**

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**DETAILS**

[Respond or Submit an Additional Assignment](#)

Author  
Anne Phifer

Cortney Phifer

**Rubrics**  
Total **30** / 35

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By selecting a criterion name, students can also see each level of the criterion. If they hit the down arrow below a level, they'll see a description of the level, which can help address questions they might have about their grades.

Grade Detail View - Google Chrome

https://gradebook.next.ecollege.com/Main/CourseMode/GradeDetailStud/GradeDetailViewV2.ed?courseItemSubId=481686776&gradeDetailViewType

Gradebook

**Week 1: Lecture Notes | INBOX** Close

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Letter:    Numeric: **30** / 35

**Comments:**

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Did student put their name on the paper?	

15 pts - Excellent

**10 pts - Acceptable**

Answers all questions in a basic fashion.

0 pts - Unacceptable

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