Discussion Board Settings And Features

Service Pack 12 includes enhancements for viewing and posting. To see these features, go to your Discussion Board page using the course menu link or Control Panel>Course Tools>Discussion Board. If you have not yet created a Discussion Board forum, see the related step-by-step instructions.

1. Click on a forum on the Discussion Board page. Then, click Edit on the drop-down menu.

The Edit Forum page displays. Enhanced features are highlighted below.
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New Posting Option
Faculty can open a forum to students only after they posted a thread in the forum. This option is useful if you want students to post their comments in the forum before they have seen their classmates’ postings for the same discussion.

New Viewing Options
2. On the Discussion Board page, click the forum to view the threads posted inside the forum.

You can choose between Standard View (the default) and Participants must create a thread in order to view other threads in this forum, which is the first post setting.

The forum breadcrumbs are displayed here.

View the thread in List View or Tree View.

The avatars display in the Discussion Board.
3. From the **Discussion Board** page, click the **Display** arrow to set options regarding the threads’ availability.

4. Click on the **Thread** name to display the **Thread** window and all the posts in it.

5. The **Thread** window displays.
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There is an indicator for the forum manager and for attachments to the thread.

Hover your mouse over the post time to see the number of views for the thread.

Hover over the Reply button to see all possible ways for the reply or edit.