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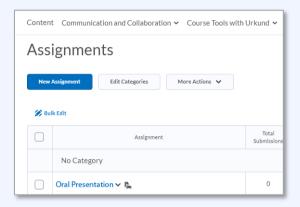
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This document outlines the procedure for creating assignments in Brightspace which accept audio or video clips and demonstrates how students would submit to the assignment in Brightspace with the video being stored in the Media Library. These assignments integrate with Brightspace Grades.

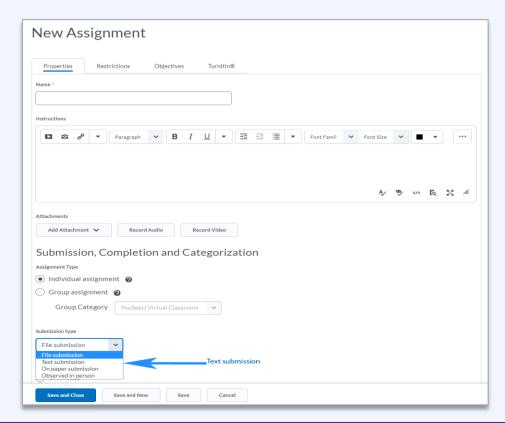
If you would like general information on the Media Library, please see: https://mahara.uhi.ac.uk/view/view.php?t=fljWN7xMgha6dczPAO8F.

1. Staff Create an Assignment in Brightspace

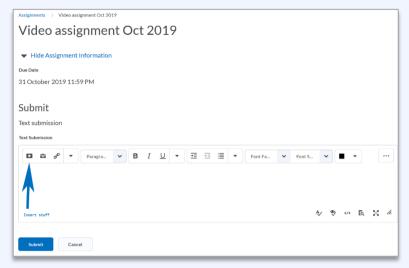
Staff should navigate to the Brightspace module and select 'Assignments' from the 'Course Tools' menu, followed by the 'New Assignment' button.



Staff would give the assignment a title and description as usual and enter Due Dates, Points Possible and other details as required. The main setting to remember is to select 'Text submission' rather than 'File submission'.



It is necessary to create a 'Text submission' assignment so that students will have access to the 'Insert Stuff' button.

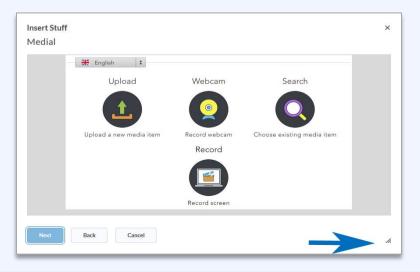


2. Students Submit Assignment

To upload the video or audio clip, students should click on the 'Insert Stuff' button. A popup window appears on screen with a selection of the tools available and students should scroll down to find 'Medial' in the list.



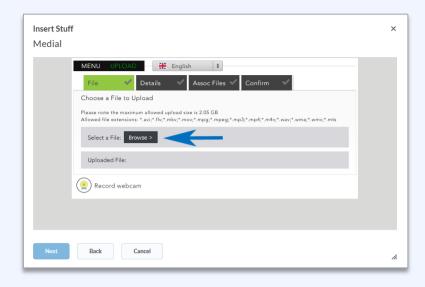
The following window is displayed with options to search for a previously uploaded clip or to upload/record a new clip. It would be a good idea at this point to resize the window by dragging the bottom right corner in order to make subsequent screens easier to read.



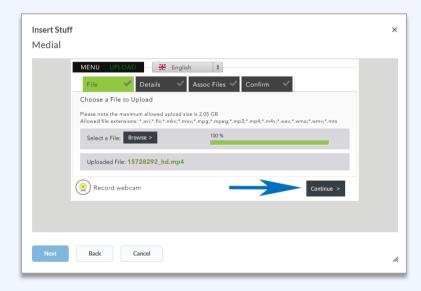
In most cases, students should choose the option to upload the video at this point. This kicks off a wizard which will take students through the process.

Step 1

Now students can click 'Browse' to find the video or audio file on their disc. When they have located the file, a progress bar is displayed. When the video is uploaded, a 'Next' button is displayed which students should click to move to the next step of the wizard.



If students notice that the progress bar is not moving for a very long time, they should contact the Servicedesk on servicedesk@uhi.ac.uk or 01463 279150. The likely cause is that their bandwidth is not sufficient and there are a number of possible solutions. This is one reason that students should be advised to submit to video assignments in good time.



Step 2

'Personal Private' is the default selection from the category field which, for assignments at least, is the most appropriate. If students need to give access to a Personal Private video, they need to log onto the Media Library (https://stream.uhi.ac.uk) and use the 'Share' icon. This produces a link with the word 'Player'. If they place an audio/video clip in Personal Public, anyone with the link to the clip will be able to view it. The link will have the word 'Play'.



Students have access to one other category which is open to <u>all</u> students, ie videos placed in the 'Student Area' category are visible to all students so it is not appropriate for assignments.

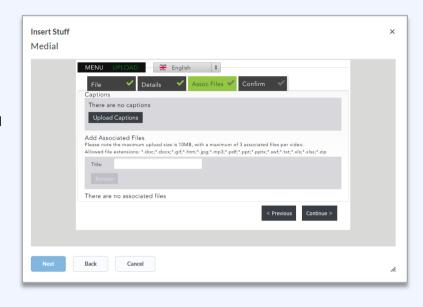
Students must agree to the Terms of Use and can read those by clicking on the green link. The 'Continue' button becomes available when that box is ticked.

Step 3

A file to add closed captions to the video can be uploaded at this point, if one is available. If closed captions are not available, a script could be attached to the clip.

Students could also upload any other files which are part of the assessment, eg report, header sheet at this point.

Both these can be skipped.



Step 4

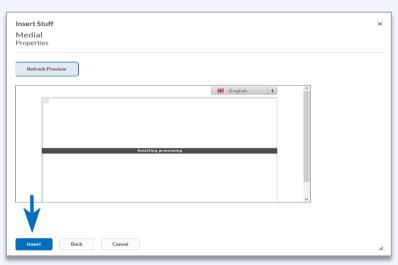
At this point, students can check all the entries and click 'Continue' if they are satisfied with their entry.

They have the opportunity to retrace their steps by clicking 'Previous' if they wish to make amendments.



Step 5

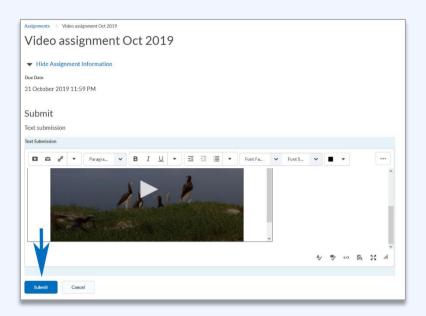
Students should not be alarmed if they receive a message "Awaiting processing" and should click the 'Insert' button to insert the clip into the assignment. They do not need o wait until processing has completed.

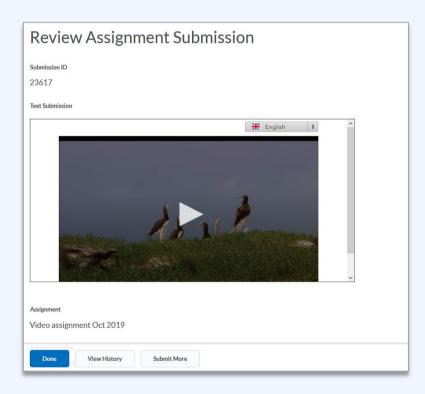


One important thing to note is that videos or audio uploaded to the Media Library need to be encoded to facilitate streaming to different devices. Encoding can take a while depending on the size of the file. This is another reason students should not submit their assignments at the last minute.

Step 6

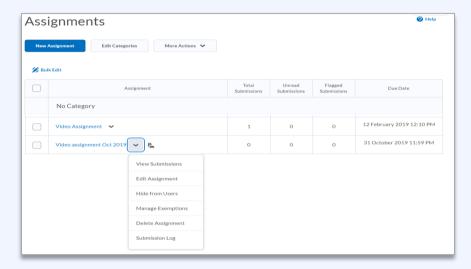
Finally, students need to click 'Submit'. The video can be more easily viewed in the following screen which gives students an opportunity to review their submission. They wll also receive an email notification of their submission.



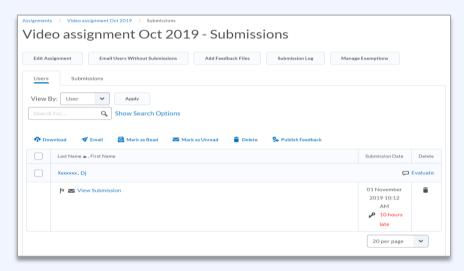


3. Staff Mark the Assignment in Brightspace

When staff navigate to 'Assignments', the should select 'View Submissions' by clicking on the down arrow beside the appropriate assignment.



A list of submissions is presented with details of submission dates, late submissions etc.



Grades and feedback is placed in the panel on the right and these can be saved using 'Save Draft' which enables all class grades to be released at the same time. Students receive a notification when grades and feedback have been published.

