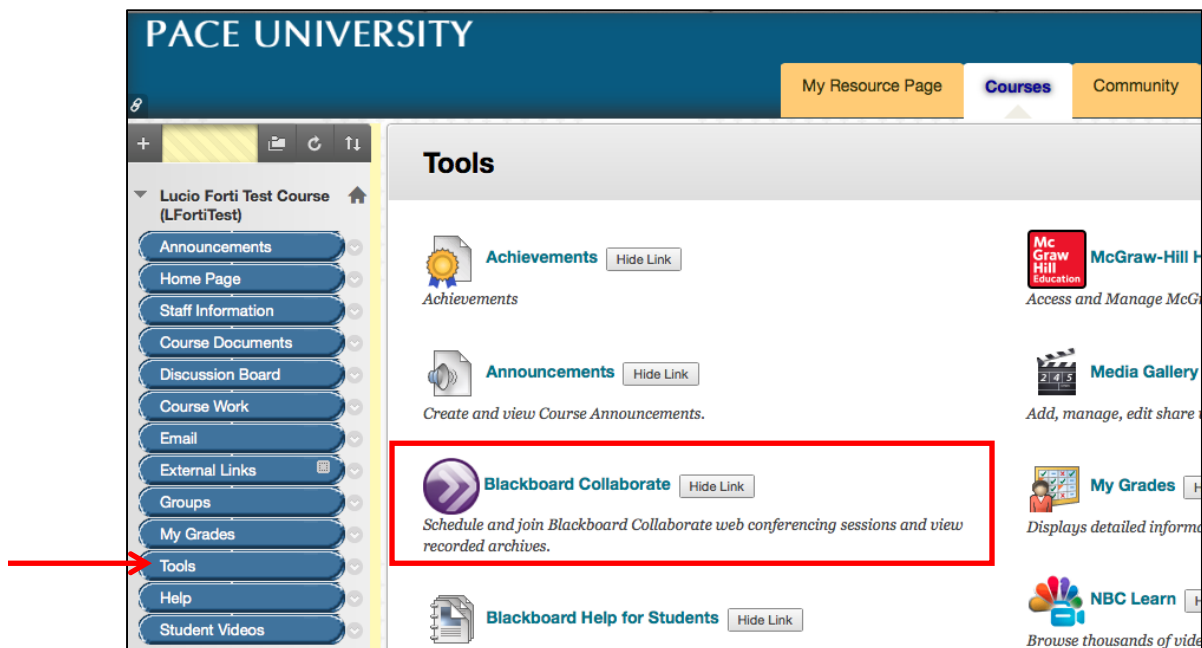


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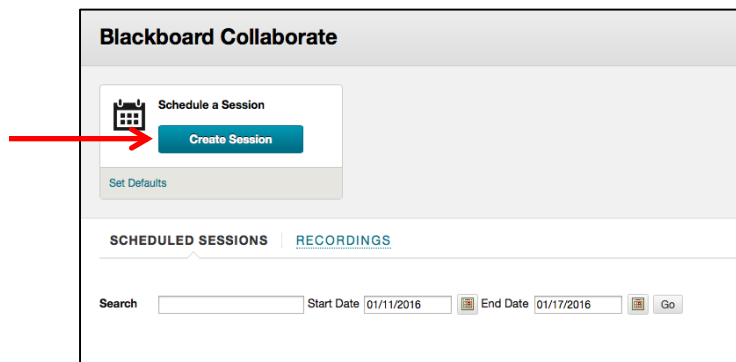
CREATING A SESSION IN BLACKBOARD COLLABORATE

This tutorial will guide you through the steps to create a Blackboard Collaborate Session.

1. Log onto **Blackboard** and enter the class you wish to create the session in.
2. You will find **Blackboard Collaborate** feature under the “Tools” section in Blackboard.



3. You will be taken to the Blackboard Collaborate scheduler. Click **Create Session**.



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4. You will be taken to a page that will say **Create Session** at the top. Fill out the Session Information, Room Attributes, and Roles and Access with the appropriate settings for your session.

Session Information

- *Session Name:* Enter a title here as you would like it to appear to students.
- *Start Time:* Define the date and time when instruction will begin inside the session.
- *Early Session Entry:* How soon before the start-time students can click to enter the session. The minimum recommended time is 15 minutes.

Create Session

SESSION INFORMATION

Session Name

Lucio Forti Test Course

Start Time

01/11/2016 10:45 AM

End Time

01/11/2016 11:45 AM

Repeat

* OFF

Early session entry ⓘ

15 minutes ▾

Room Attributes

- Choose recording options, number of talkers, cameras, permissions, etc.
- *Allow Guests:* Turn this **On** if you will need to invite participants or guest speakers who are not enrolled in your course in blackboard.
- *Preload Content:* Load documents such as Power Points so they are available as soon as participants join the session.

Room Attributes

Recording Mode ⓘ

Manual ▾

Max Simultaneous Talkers ⓘ

3 ▾

Max Cameras ⓘ

3 ▾

View Private Messages ⓘ

* OFF

All Permissions ⓘ

ON

Raise Hand on Entry ⓘ

* OFF

Allow In-Session Invitations ⓘ

ON

Allow Guests ⓘ

* OFF

Hide Names in Recordings ⓘ

* OFF

Preload Content ⓘ

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Whiteboard/Plan: .wbd, .wbp, .elp, or .elpx

Multimedia: .mp4, .mpg, .mpeg, .m4v, .mpe, .mp3, .qt, .mov, .swf, or .wmv.

Notes

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Roles and Access

- By default, students will join using the general Participant role. You can override this for all participants with the first checkbox.
- *Restrict access to this session:* Will only make the session available to students you define here.
- *Assign Roles:* Click on Add Moderators to add other users as moderators in the session. By default, the instructor creating the session will be a moderator.

The screenshot shows the 'Roles and Access' configuration panel. It contains two checkboxes: 'All users join as moderators.' and 'Restrict access to this session.' with an information icon. Below these is the 'Assign Roles' section, which includes a list of 'Moderators' with an 'Add Moderators' button. The list currently contains 'Sarah Koppalakonda'.

5. Click **Submit**. The session will be available in your Blackboard Collaborate section and will display a purple icon once it becomes available.

Click the icon or the name to enter the session.

The screenshot displays the Blackboard Collaborate interface. At the top, there's a 'Schedule a Session' button and a 'Create Session' button. Below this is a 'Set Defaults' link. The main section is titled 'SCHEDULED SESSIONS' and 'RECORDINGS'. It features a search bar and filters for 'Start Date' (01/11/2016) and 'End Date' (01/17/2016). A table lists the scheduled sessions:

Available	Title	Start Date	End Date	Creator	Session Type
<input type="checkbox"/>	Lucio Forti Test Course	Monday, January 11, 2016 11:15:00 AM EST	Monday, January 11, 2016 12:15:00 PM EST	Sarah Koppalakonda	Course