Student View Tool

The Student View tool allows instructors and teaching Assistant in Blackboard Learn course sites to experience their sites as students. This allows them to take tests as a student, submit an assignment as a student, see exactly which links are available, see the student view of grades, and more. This is much more accurate than turning off Edit Mode.

The Student View tool is free and open source. It is not written by Blackboard.

Set the “Student View” tool's available

To use this tool, instructors must make this tool available in each course first. Follow the steps below:

1. Access your course
2. Find the Control Panel below the Course Menu on the left, locate Customization Section
3. Click Tool Availability
4. Find Student View tool from the tool list, click the checkbox under the available in Course
5. Click Submit

Verify the tool work properly

1. Access your Blackboard course site
2. You should see the “Student View” button in the top right corner of the page, to the left of the “Edit Mode” and Course Theme buttons
3. Click on the “Student View” button. The page should be cleared and then displayed again,
4. Explore your Blackboard site. See how the various links work for your students.
5. Where the “Student View” button was, there should be a “Teacher View” link. Use that to exit Student View and continue working on your Blackboard site.

Special Note:

- This tool only works when the course site is available
- Instructors must make the tool available in each course before it can be used.