

## Quick Start to Course Content

Once you have entered the course, it is important that you get familiar with the links on the Course Menu, and what those links give you access to.



### Content

Students will find the bulk of the material that they will need to access by clicking and opening the Content Link. On ground instructors have the freedom to put documents, videos, Power Points, writing assignments, and tests into Blackboard shells.

***When instructors put course content in Blackboard, it will:***

- ***Give you access to course material 24/7.***
- ***Allow you to send and receive Course Messages in the Course and not somewhere in the middle of all the campus email you receive on a daily basis.***
- ***Save trees.***
- ***Help you keep track of your own grades 24/7.***

### Inside the Content Link

- After you click on the Content link generally what you will see is a Folder. Inside the folder will be the work your instructor wants you to have access to. Click on link on the right of folder.
- In the folder you might see an image that looks like a page of paper. Generally, you will find text with this image.
- The Assignment icon represents a drop box. Using the Assignment tool allows instructors to check for plagiarism and grade the assignment in Blackboard. This allows you to see your instructor's comments and grade immediately after it is graded.
- Tests that are given in Blackboard will have specific, dates and times that they are available.
- Surveys, are anonymous, and look just a little different from tests and quizzes.
- A file will be a document or image that resides on the instructor's computer.
- A link to a web site will take you directly to the web site.

