

Service Pack 1

Blackboard Mobile Web Services Building Block™

This Building Block enables Blackboard Mobile™ Learn, a new mobile application for Sprint Android and BlackBerry® phones and over Wi-Fi for Apple® iPad™, iPod Touch®, and iPhone® devices that extends and enriches the course experience of Blackboard Learn. Currently available for Higher Education and Professional Education clients in the US and Canada, it will also be available in other markets later this year. After installation, the Building Block is “Available” by default. For eligible clients, the Building Block automatically registers with the Mobile Learn Central Service. This also enables the “Mobile Learning Update” portal module on the My Institution tab. The portal module provides users with instructions for downloading the native mobile learning applications for Sprint Android and BlackBerry devices, as well as Apple iPad, iPod Touch, and iPhone devices over Wi-Fi. For ineligible clients, the Building Block does not register and the portal module does not appear. More information is available at <http://www.blackboard.com/Mobile/Resources/FAQ.aspx>.

Service Pack 2

CaféScribe – Powered by Follett Higher Education

The CaféScribe Blackboard Building Block™ enables professors to assign and students to acquire CaféScribe digital textbooks with a single click within the Blackboard Learn environment. Once there, students and professors can read, highlight, annotate, share notes and perform other activities.

The Building Block is available for all markets.

After installation, the Building Block is “Unavailable” by default. It is free to all eligible clients, so any adopting school would simply need to make the Building Block “Available” and agree to the Term & Conditions to begin using it. The integration enables instructors to create links to specific Book content as a new content type within a Blackboard course, so the “create content” drop down box is the only location within the user interface where this option is viewable. To verify that the Building Block was installed properly, make sure that “Add CafeScribe Content” is an option under “Add Interactive Tool”.

More information is available at <http://www.blackboard.com/CafeScribe/Resources/FAQ.aspx>

NBC Archives on Demand Building Block updated to version 3.0.6

The latest version of the NBC Building Block has been bundled with Service Pack 2.

Service Pack 3

NOOKstudy e-Textbook Reader Building Block Powered by Barnes & Noble

Barnes & Noble's new NOOKstudy e-textbook reader can be integrated into Blackboard Learn using a Building Block. Instructors can list assigned textbooks from the Barnes & Noble Catalog. Students can access e-textbooks through courses and use NOOKstudy to read, markup, add notes, and so on. This Building Block enables e-commerce for institutions through BN.com or the campus bookstore so that instructors and students can purchase and distribute eTextbooks from within Blackboard.

The Building Block is available for North American Higher Ed clients who hold enterprise licenses. After installation, the Building Block is "Unavailable" by default. Once the Barnes & Noble NOOKstudy Blackboard Building Block is installed and made Available, you need to activate the Building Block using the administration page by requesting a license key from Barnes & Noble. Barnes & Noble needs to receive your request as there are behind-the-scenes ecommerce configurations that must be made before the Building Block can be properly used. After you accept the software agreement, receive and enter your license key, you can make the building block available to all courses. More information on installing and configuring this Build Block is available in their installation manual: http://img1.imagesbn.com/pimages/nookstudy/blackboard/pdf/BN_NOOKstudyBb9x_AdminGuide_v1_0.pdf

Service Pack 4

Blackboard Connect – Country Codes Available

Blackboard Learn and Connect are now integrated and support international phone codes. Integration automatically populates email addresses and phone numbers from Learn to Connect. A default country code can be used in the event that no code is provided from Blackboard Learn.

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