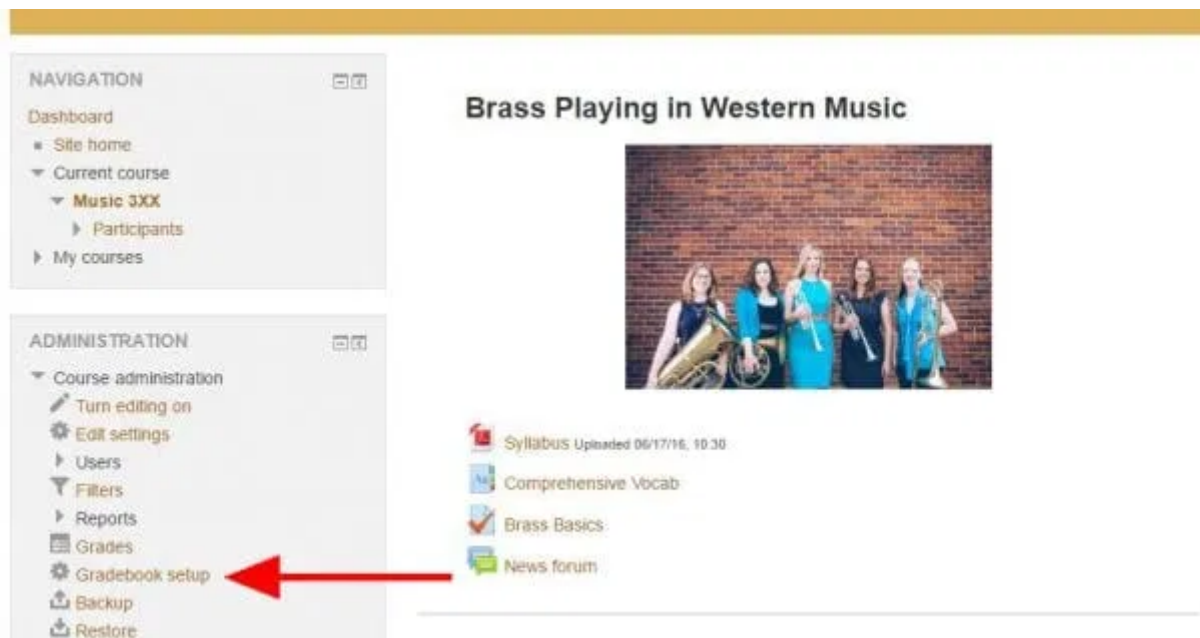# Pass/Fail Grades

Moodle's gradebook has the ability to to allow grading by qualitative scales. One of the default St. Olaf scales is pass/fail. There are a variety of ways to integrate this scale into activities and the gradebook.

How do I grade an assignment as pass/fail?

Changing the grade type for online Moodle activities and for offline assignments require different processes. Each is described below.

Online Moodle Activities

1. Navigate to **Gradebook setup** in the **Administration** block.

2. Select the name of the activity.
3. In the **Administration block**, select **Edit settings**.

Haydn Trumpet Concerto Paper

Describe the performance techniques necessary for a successful performance on keyed trumpet of Hayd[n] century with reference to the piece's composition (instrumentation, melody, structure, etc.) and historical

See attached document for full requirements.

📄 Haydn Trumpet Concerto Requirements.docx

Visible groups: All participants

Grading summary

Participants	5
Submitted	1
Needs grading	0
Due date	Thursday, June 30, 2016, 12:00 AM
Time remaining	Assignment is due

View/grade all submissions

Submission status

| Submission status | Submitted for grading |
| | This assignment is not accepting submissions |

4. You are now on the activity update page. Scroll down to **Grade** settings and expand the section.
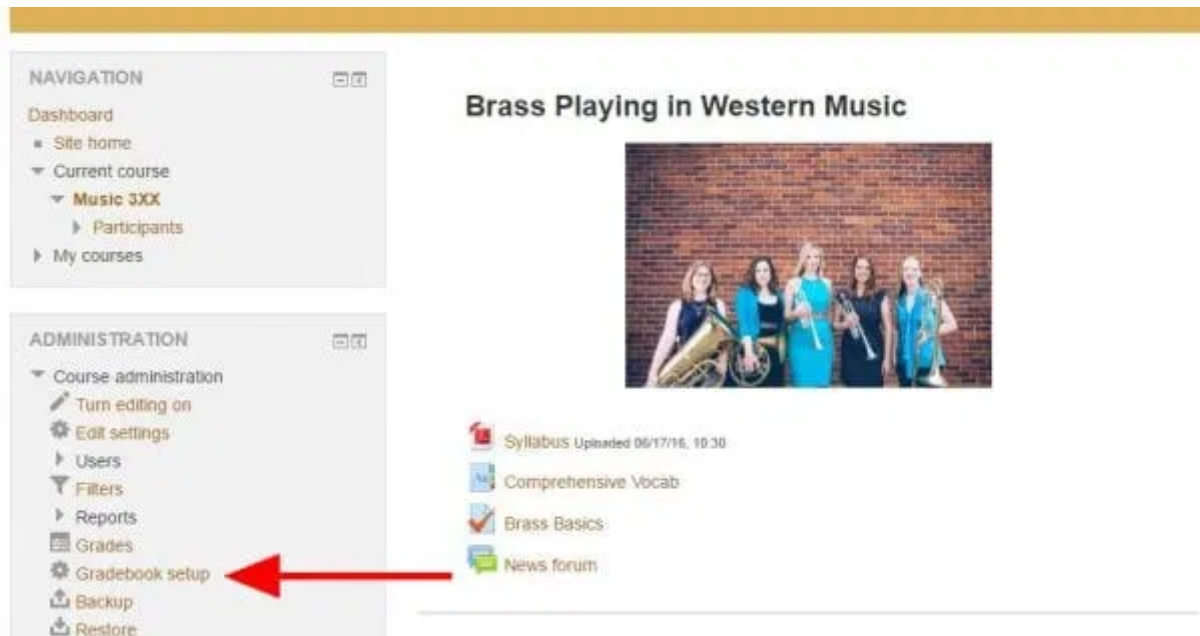

5. Change the **Grade** type to be **Scale**.
6. Select **Pass/fail** as the scale.

7. Select **Save and display** at the bottom of the page.
8. Use the activity's grading interface to assign grades. For assignments, this is linked as **View/grade submissions**.

Offline Grade Items

1. Navigate to **Gradebook setup** in the **Administration** block.

2. Select **Edit** in the Actions column and then **Edit settings.**

3. For **Grade type**, select **Scale**.
4. Select **Pass/fail** as the scale.
5. Select **Save changes**.
6. Assign grades through the **Grader report** or the **Single view** report. Learn more about gradebook navigation (https://wp.stolaf.edu/it/?page_id=9992) if you cannot find these pages.

Will a pass/fail grade item impact a student's final grade?

It depends what that grade item's weight is. Navigate to **Gradebook setup**. If you are using natural weighting, any non-zero value in front of a grade item will impact the category's aggregation and the final grade. To remove an item's impact on grade completely, change its weight to 0. This way, that pass/fail item will simply serve as confirmation that a student passed a required skill.

How do I grade a student's final grade pass/fail?

Unfortunately Moodle does not support this feature. To do this by hand, evaluate whether the student fails or passes based on percent.

Now that you know how to grade individual items on the pass/fail scale, learn about other types of scaling methods (https://wp.stolaf.edu/it/?page_id=10103).