

Old Task, New Tools: Effective Grading with the LMS



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Common grading headaches...

- ❧ *Difficulties in answer student question “how am I doing in the class?”*
- ❧ *Claims from students that they handed in an assignment that you never received.*
- ❧ *Disagreement about what the student earned for particular assignments.*
- ❧ *Disagreement about final grade and its calculation.*

Common grading headaches...

- ‡ *Students who don't seem to realize they have fallen catastrophically behind on work.*
- ‡ *Students who are surprised when they fail the class.*
- ‡ *Students who drift off from otherwise exemplary work.*

Common grading headaches...

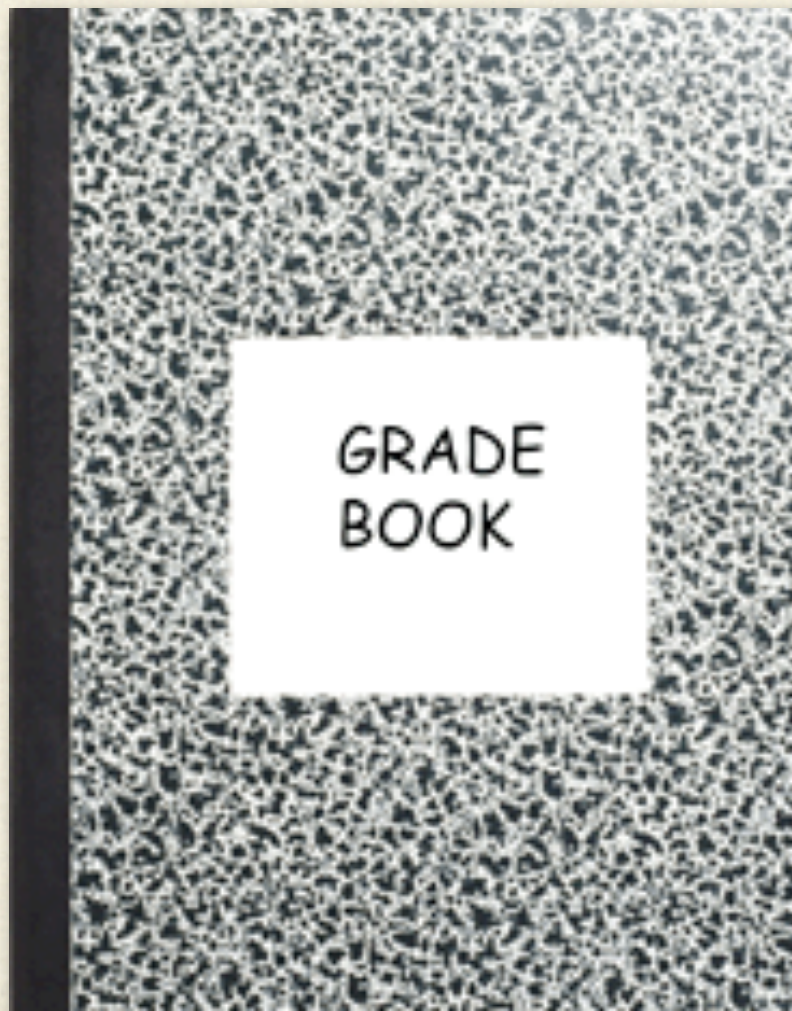
- ❧ *Frustration with having to program an Excel Spreadsheet for each class, dealing with grade exceptions.*
- ❧ *Overwhelming task of calculating grades at the end.*

Common grading challenges...

- ❧ *How can I keep on top of the task of grading?*
- ❧ *How do I give my students feedback on their work?*
- ❧ *How can I streamline the assignment submission process?*
- ❧ *How do I report final grades to students?*

Entering everyday grades into the LMS

The Old Ways:



	A	B	G	H	I	J	K	L
	First name	Last name	Assignment: L	Assignment: L	Assignment: L	Assignment: M	Assignment: M	Assignment: F
1	David	Allwine	5	14	20		71	
2	Claudia	Anhalzer Ande				10	79	
3	Clifton	Atkinson	5	14	25	10	73	
4	Quinn	Baser	5	12	18	10	78	
5	Adrienne	Cohen	5	10	22	10	96	
6	Alexander	Damianos	5			10	80	
7	Louise	De Gracia				10	81	
8	Nicole	Dochyich	5	9	22	10	90	
9	Stephen	Douglas	5	14	20		73	
10	Amanda	Droussiotis	5	11	25	10	97	
11	Nina	Dubin	5	10	18	10	91	
12	Yaakov	Eisenberg	5	10	20	10		
13	Leah	Enowitz	5	15	17	10	88	
14	Michael	Enten	5	12	24	10	79	
15	Alexander	Gallo-Brown				10	96	
16	Alex	Garcia	5			10	65	
17	Dowayne	Gayle	5	10	20	10	59	
18	Francine	Grenci	5	15	25	10	95	10
19	Laura	Henriksen	5	13	25	10	84	
20	Megan	Hernandez	5	12	23	10	67	
21	Alexandra	Horton				10	82	
22	Rebecca	Huber	5	13	23	10	79	
23	Natalia	Iznyuk	5			10	57	
24	David	Kaufman	5				82	
25	Katherine	Kennedy	5	14	18	10		
26	Jennifer	Kim		13	23	10		
27	Jordan	Knape	5	15	20	10	95	
28	Milo	Kowalski	5			10		
29	MacKenzie	Leighton	5	10	10	10		
30	Xi	Li	5	14	13	10		
31	Kaitlin	MacIntyre	5	15	23	10		
32	Lila	Magi	5			8		
33	Tina	Mazza	5	12	18	6		
34	Kathryn	McCullum	5	13	24	10		
35	Ian	McKenzie	5	15	25	10		
36	Angela	McLeland	5			10		
37	Catharine	Metayer	5	15	25	10		
38	Trinity	Nguyen	5	15	25	10		
39	Junsik	Noh		12	18	6		
40	Sun Young	Park		14	16	10		10
41	Tracy	Pickering	5	14	24	5		
42	Kaitlin	Przybylski	5	15	25	10		
43	Courtney	Raniszewski	5	13	23	5		
44	Liliy	Skoke	5	7		10		
45	Saykham	Souphanya	5	9	18	10		
46	James	Springer	5	14	25	10		
47	Sarah	Spurlock						
48	Zachary	Staller	5	13	23	10		

Entering everyday grades into the LMS

- &• *Participation grades*
- &• *Quiz and exam grades*
- &• *Other activities and in-class assignments*

Grading proposals, papers, and projects:

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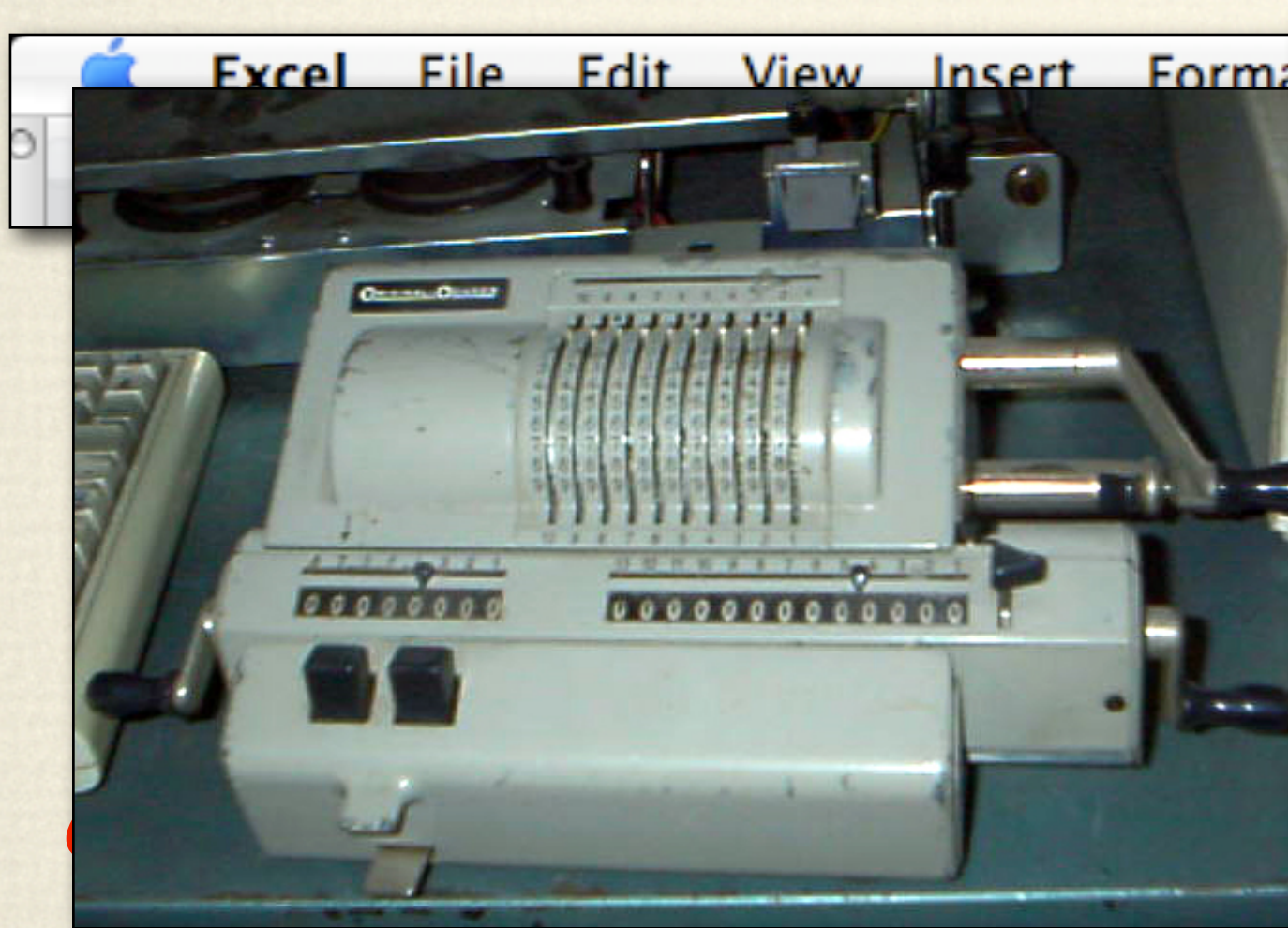


Going electronic with assignment submission

- ❧ *Student text*
- ❧ *Student digital files*
- ❧ *Other graded activities...*

Calculating student grades

The Old Way:



excused from class

Making LMS do the grading for you...

- ⌘ *What is each item worth?*
- ⌘ *Categorizing graded items*
- ⌘ *Weighting categories*
- ⌘ *Calculating total scores*
- ⌘ *Assigning letter grades*

Making LMS do the grading for you...

•❧• *What students see...*

Making LMS do the grading for you...

•❧• *What about security and
backing up?*

Costs of using the LMS to grade...



Time:

- ⌘ Setting up LMS assignments
- ⌘ Adding student grades weekly



Transparency:

- ⌘ Students see their grade



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