How do I apply an accessibility accommodation for a student in Blackboard?

You can set accommodations for individual students and exempt them from requirements, such as assessment due dates or time limits. Use accommodations to help students progress in the course even though they may have difficulty with some requirements.

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1. On the Roster page, open a student's menu and select Accommodations.

2. In the panel, select the accommodations for this student:
   - Due date accommodation: Students with this accommodation will never have their work marked late.
   - Time limit accommodation: Students with a time limit accommodation have more time to finish their work during timed assessments. After you select this accommodation, choose the amount of extra time:
     - + 50% extra time
     - + 100% extra time
     - Unlimited time
     A student with the Unlimited time accommodation never sees the time limit for the assessment, reducing the pressure or anxiety that comes with coursework.

Students with accommodations appear with an icon next to their names in the gradebook and roster. Students don’t see the accommodations you’ve added. The icon also appears next to names in discussions, but the time limit accommodation doesn’t apply.

Related FAQs

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Changing a time limit accommodation

After students have started their submissions and you add or delete a time limit accommodation, you'll receive a warning. Time limits for previously submitted work will update. When you delete a time limit accommodation, previously submitted work for timed assessments may then be marked late by the system.

Changing a due date accommodation

In the gradebook, students with a due date accommodation may submit work any time after the due date for no penalty. After the due date, you won't see late labels in the gradebook student list.

If you delete the due date accommodation for a student and the due date has passed for an assessment, the late label is applied.

Viewing all accommodations in your course

The number of accommodations you've made appears in the settings for graded course items such as assignments and tests. Select the link to view the accommodations. Select Edit Accommodations to access the Roster page and make changes.
Using accommodations with groups

If students with accommodations are in a group, all students in that group inherit the accommodation for that item. For example, you create a group assignment and one group member has a due date accommodation. That group's work isn't marked late if they submit after the due date.

At this time, you can’t add a time limit to group work.