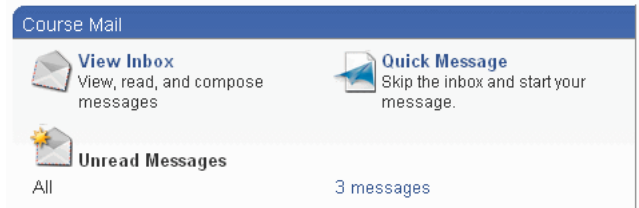


Five Things Everyone Should Know about ANGEL 7.3

On May 16, Information Technology Services upgraded Penn State's Course Management System, ANGEL, to version 7.3. The new version features enhancements to several existing tools and several new tools will help course editors perform administrative tasks. There are also several minor interface changes.

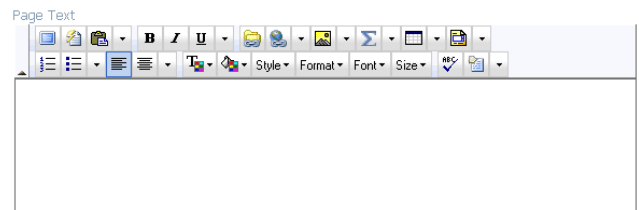
1. The same course tabs are still there. All the functionality you are used to having is intact.
2. The enhanced Course Mail tool is available both on My Profile and on each course Communicate tab. It allows you to view mail from all your courses and groups and to send a message to multiple course sections.
3. The discussion forum and chat tools have been redesigned. Forums can optionally be set up to allow students to rate each other's posts. An additional new type of chat tool called live office hours provides a way for students to meet with their instructors individually online.
4. The new inline HTML editor is integrated with each text area, rather than opening in a separate window. It features improved functionality including a more robust equation editor which includes the functionality of the WebEQ application. The HTML editor, including the improved equation editor, is available to students when composing quiz essay questions.
5. A new tool called the Date Manager allows course editors to set new dates for all content items in a single location, rather than in each separate item. This is useful if the course is copied into another section to use in a subsequent semester.



Course Mail component



Discussion forum showing peer rating



New inline HTML editor

To Find out More about Version 7.3

To learn more about this and other topics related to ANGEL, Penn State's Course Management System, check out the ANGEL Community Hub at <http://ets.tlt.psu.edu/angel/>.