



Blackboard

Getting Started with Blackboard Learn (for students)

Introduction

Blackboard Learn is Brunel's Virtual Learning Environment (VLE).

Blackboard Learn can contain a variety of resources and activities, including lecture slides, module-based discussion boards, and self-tests amongst other materials and resources. Depending on your college, you may be asked to submit your assignments via Blackboard Learn and/or participate in other assessed activities.

Log in

You can access Blackboard Learn once you have obtained your Brunel Network account details. Login at: <https://blackboard.brunel.ac.uk/> (also accessible from the Brunel Intranet home page)

Username: Student Number (e.g. 1201234)

Password: Brunel Network Account Password

Password set up and forgotten passwords

You can collect your Brunel Network Account details (username and password) when you have completed the online task in [eVision](#).

If you have any difficulties in collecting the details or if you forget your password, then please contact the Computer Centre Service Desk computing-support@brunel.ac.uk. If you are on campus you can visit the **Tech Zone Help Desk** in person (located on Ground Floor, Library, Bannerman Centre), to request a password reset.

It is a good idea to register for password self-service at <http://www.brunel.ac.uk/password> as this will enable you to reset an expired or forgotten password online without contacting Computing Support.

Need Help?

The student support pages accessible from the **Help for Students** tab in Blackboard cover many common issues, but if you are still having problems please contact the Student Centre:



Email: student.centre@brunel.ac.uk



Telephone: +44 (0)1895 268268



Location: Howell Building (*Ground Floor*)

Inside Blackboard Learn

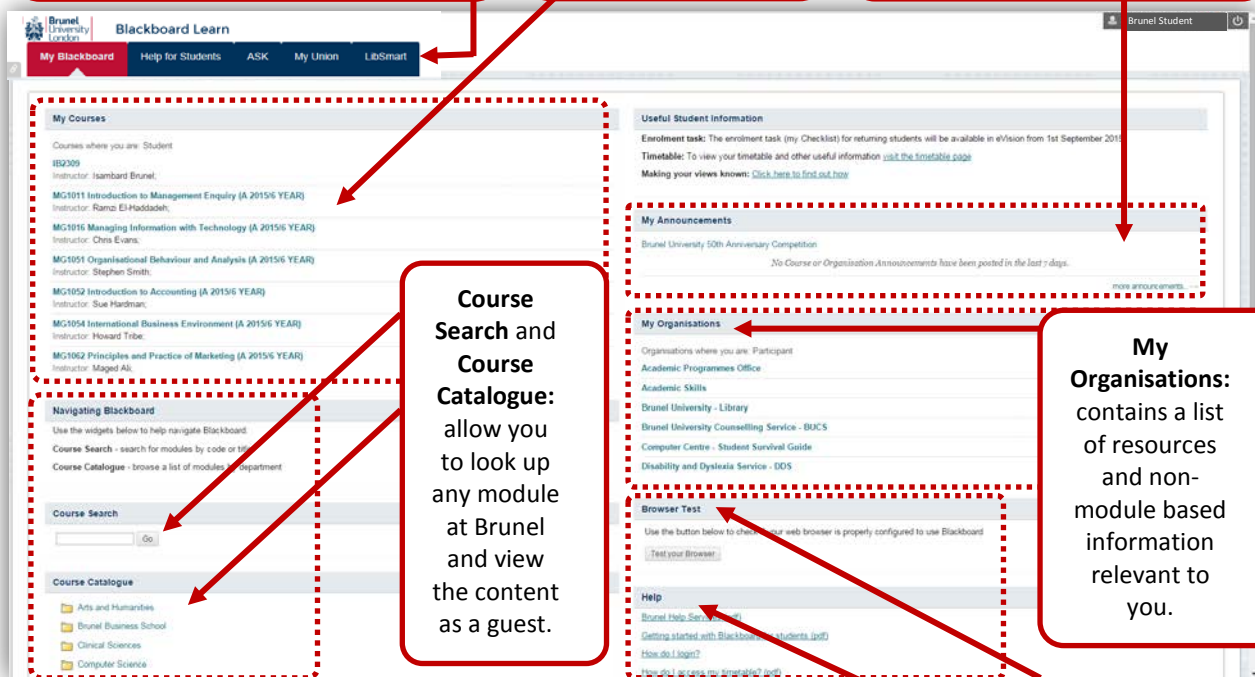
When you log in to Blackboard Learn the first page should display a range of boxes, explained below.

My Blackboard: The My Blackboard tab takes you back to this page.

The other tabs give information on additional university services.

My Courses: This box lists modules that you are studying. To 'enter' a course, click on the name of the course.

My Announcements: Contains important messages about University-related information. You may also see Module and Organisation announcements posted by your tutors here.



The screenshot shows the Blackboard Learn dashboard for a student. The top navigation bar includes 'My Blackboard', 'Help for Students', 'ASK', 'My Union', and 'LibSmart'. The main content area is divided into several sections:

- My Courses:** A list of courses where the user is a student, including course codes (e.g., IB2309, MG1011), titles, and instructors.
- Useful Student Information:** Links to enrollment tasks, timetables, and making views known.
- My Announcements:** A section for university-related messages, currently showing a 50th Anniversary Competition announcement.
- My Organisations:** A list of resources and non-module based information, such as the Academic Programmes Office, Academic Skills, and the Library.
- Course Search and Course Catalogue:** Tools for finding modules by code or title, and browsing a list of modules by department.
- Browser Test and Help:** A tool to check browser configuration and a section for help guides.

Course Search and Course Catalogue: allow you to look up any module at Brunel and view the content as a guest.

My Organisations: contains a list of resources and non-module based information relevant to you.

Browser Test and Help: Browser Test is a tool to check that Blackboard will work ok on your device. The Help Guides are troubleshooting guides in case things aren't working as expected.

Blackboard App



You can also access Blackboard Learn content from the **Blackboard app** using your mobile device.

1. To download, visit the app store for your device (App Store for Apple devices, Google Play for Android devices, or Windows App store for Microsoft devices)
2. Search for "Blackboard app" and install the app
3. Search for Brunel University
4. Login with your Brunel credentials (username is student number with Brunel Network Password)

Note: you can still use Blackboard Learn via a web browser.