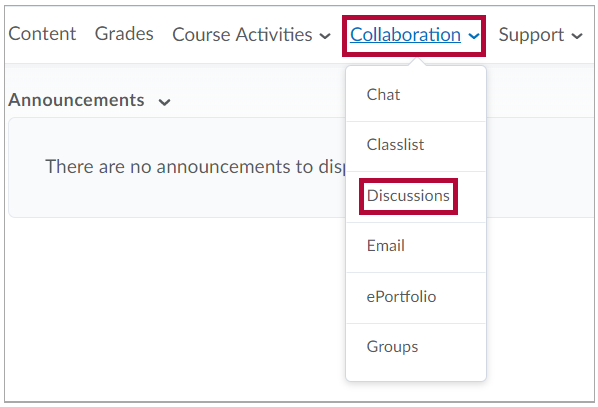
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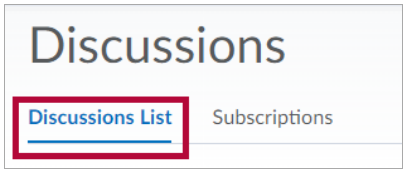
How to Access Discussions

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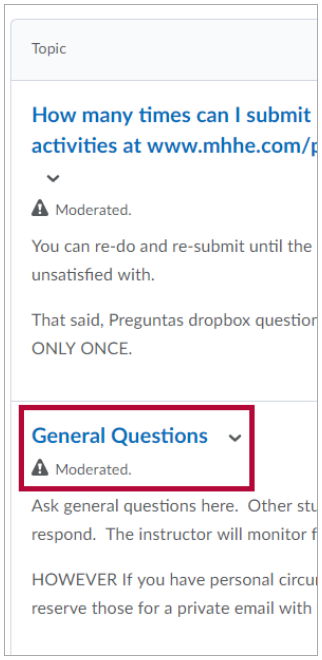
1. Click on **[Collaboration]** on the navbar and select **[Discussions]**.



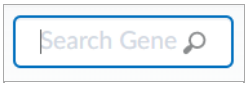
2. The **Discussions List** screen appears.



3. Click on the desired discussion topic link, and the discussion threads will appear.

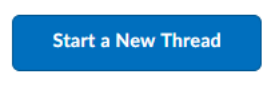


4. To search within the topic for a particular discussion post, enter the search topic in the **Search** box and click the magnifying glass to start the search.

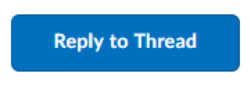


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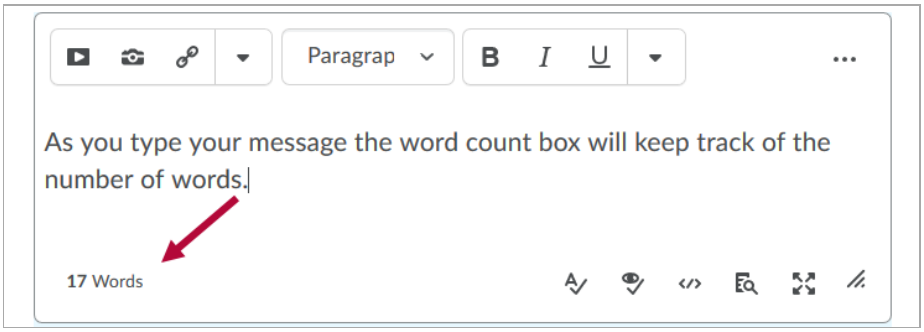
1. Click the **[Start a New Thread]** button to begin a new threaded discussion.



Or click on **[Reply to Thread]** after clicking on an existing thread.



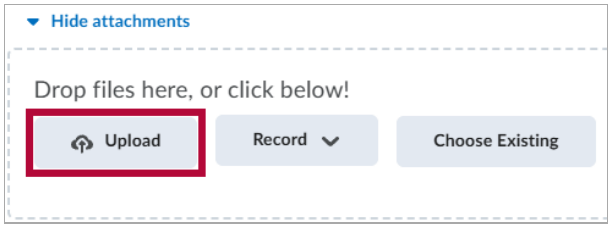
2. Enter a subject and the body of your discussion post. (It is best to not edit the Subject if you are replying to a post). A word counter dynamically tracks the number of words typed in your post and it also appears next to posts you have created in the Discussions **Reading View** and **Grid View**. You can view the word count for your posts only.



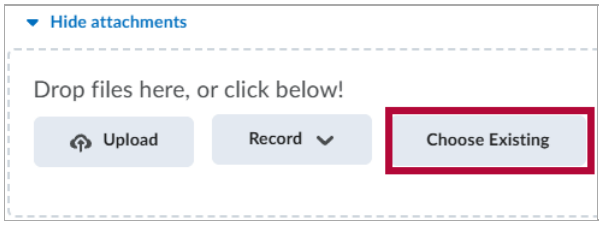
3. Check the **[Subscribe to this thread]** checkbox if you want to receive notifications when the thread has new posts.

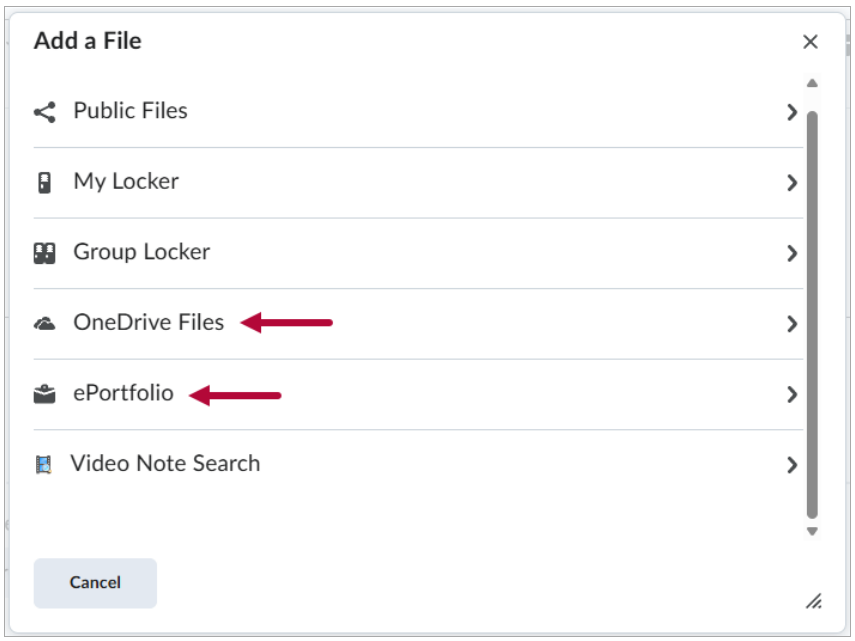


4. You can also add an attachment to this discussion post by clicking the **[Add attachments]** link, then click **[Upload]** to upload a file (or add a video or audio recording) from your device.



A. **OR** click **[Choose Existing]** to upload a file from **OneDrive** or **ePortfolio**.





5. When you have completed entering all the data for the post, click the **[Post]** button.



See also Grid View and Reading View (https://vlac.lonestar.edu/help/a355) and Threaded and Unthreaded Posts (https://vlac.lonestar.edu/help/a354).