



# Instructors: D2L Brightspace update to version 10.8.10 (February 2019)

## *Release Notes*

*Note: This document provides the 10.8.10 release notes from D2L's February 2019 monthly continuous delivery release. Some features or products were excluded from the original document if they were not applicable to Minnesota State users.*

*Minor changes were made to the original content for word-choice and formatting consistency.*



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## BRIGHTSPACE 10.8.10 / FEB 2019 UPDATE FOR MINNESOTA STATE USERS

This document's intended audience is **Instructors** at the colleges and universities of Minnesota State.

The following release notes are Minnesota State users who want information on D2L Brightspace Platform features released in version 10.8.10 (February 2019).

Note that some features or products were excluded from the original document as they were not applicable to Minnesota State users. We have only included relevant features to bring them to the attention of our Minnesota State D2L user community.

### Additional Resources

- [D2L Brightspace Cumulative Fixed Issues](https://mnscu.sharepoint.com/sites/IMS) (https://mnscu.sharepoint.com/sites/IMS)
- [D2L Brightspace Cumulative Known Issues](https://mnscu.sharepoint.com/sites/IMS) (https://mnscu.sharepoint.com/sites/IMS)
- [Brightspace Platform Requirements](https://community.brightspace.com/s/article/Brightspace-Platform-Requirements) (https://community.brightspace.com/s/article/Brightspace-Platform-Requirements)
- Knowledge Article 1483 [Supported browsers in D2L Brightspace](https://mnscu.sharepoint.com/sites/D2Lsupport/learner/1483.docx?web=1) (https://mnscu.sharepoint.com/sites/D2Lsupport/learner/1483.docx?web=1)
- Knowledge Article 800 [Instructor D2L Brightspace Resources and Known Issues](https://mnscu.sharepoint.com/sites/D2Lsupport/instructor/800.docx?web=1) (https://mnscu.sharepoint.com/sites/D2Lsupport/instructor/800.docx?web=1)



## NEW AND UPDATED FEATURES

### ASSIGNMENT GRADER

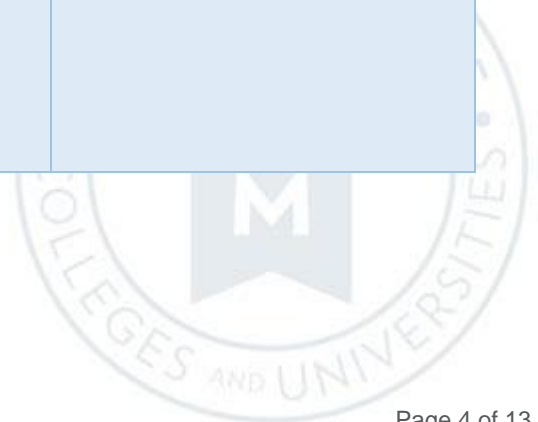
#### Assignment Grader – EduDentity login support | Removed 10.8.10

Assignment Grader no longer supports EduDentity log in. Instructors now log in to Assignment Grader using their D2L Brightspace credentials. Instructors already logged in with their D2L Brightspace credentials do not have to log in again.

Starting February 1, 2019, D2L will remove EduDentity support in Assignment Grader, streamlining the ability to maintain and enhance the app.

- For new installations of the Assignment Grader app, there will no longer be an option to login with EduDentity. Users will need to log in with their Brightspace credentials.
- For users currently logged in directly with their Brightspace credentials, there is no change.
- For users still logged in with EduDentity after February 1, they will be prompted to sync their work and login directly using their Brightspace credentials.
- Documents will no longer be converted via EduDentity as of February 1, 2019. Assignment submissions are converted using the Document Conversion Service (DoCS) to allow instructors to annotate all document types. The DoCS uses Brightspace credentials and is available in all regions. View our Knowledge Article [Document Conversion Service \(KA #2007\)](#) for reference.

Impact of Change	Technical Details	Next Steps
<p><b>Slight impact to instructors due the need to log in to Assignment Grader using their D2L Brightspace credentials.</b></p>	<p><b>Availability:</b> This feature is available to all D2L Brightspace sites.</p> <p><b>To enable:</b> This functionality is automatically enabled for Assignment Grader users. The DoCS service is automatically enabled for all D2L Brightspace sites. No further action is required.</p> <p><b>User Resources:</b> For more information to share with users, visit the <a href="#">Brightspace Assignment Grader - Instructor Guide</a> (print-based resources) or the <a href="#">Grade assignments on-the-go</a> help topic (online resource).</p>	<p>N/A</p>



## ASSIGNMENTS

Assignments – Evaluate Submission displays course name and assignment name | Updated 10.8.10

**Note:** This feature was not documented by D2L in their official release notes. The following documentation has been provided by the Minnesota State D2L Support team.

On the Evaluate Submissions screen in Assignments, instructors can now navigate back to the Submissions screen using the ‘Back to Submissions’ link (top-left). Previously, the ‘Back to Submissions’ button was on the top-right hand side of the screen. The Back to Submissions link is now located next to the course name and assignment folder name. The course and assignment names provide a quick reference for the instructor, when grading a student’s assignment.

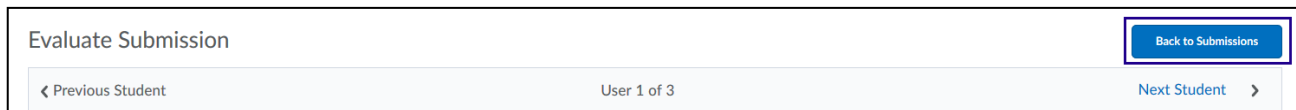


Figure: Original **Back to Submissions** button on the Evaluate Submission screen in an assignment

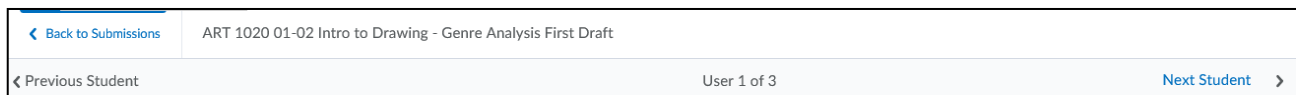


Figure: The **Back to Submissions** link with the course name and assignment name at the top of the Evaluate Submissions screen

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Slight impact to instructors due to the updated placement of the Back to Submissions navigation, and the references to the course and assignment names on the Evaluate Submissions screen.	<p><b>Availability:</b> This feature is available to all D2L Brightspace sites.</p> <p><b>To enable:</b> The functionality is automatically enabled for Assignments users. No further action is required.</p> <p><b>User Resources:</b> For more information to share with users, visit the <a href="#">Add feedback and evaluations to assignments</a> help topic (online resource).</p>	N/A



## CLASS/USER PROGRESS

Class/User Progress – New default settings for display indicators | [New 10.8.10](#)

Instructors may see new default indicators in the Class and User Progress screens for items that are only relevant to their campus D2L Brightspace site. From the Class Progress screen, instructors can override the default settings for your individual courses.

From **Course Admin**, instructors navigate to the **Class Progress** tool.

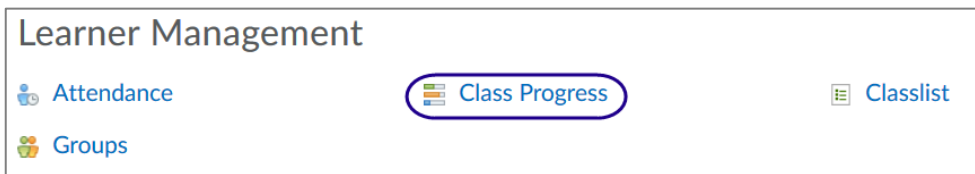


Figure: The Class Progress tool from the Course Admin link in the course navigation bar

On the Class Progress screen, instructors navigate to the **Settings** screen.

The screenshot shows the "Class Progress" interface. At the top right, there is a "Settings" button with a gear icon, circled in blue with a blue arrow pointing to it. Next to it is a "Help" button with a question mark icon and a search bar labeled "Search users". Below the header, there is a "Filter to: All Users" dropdown and a link "Use agents to automate feedback". The main content is a table with columns: Name, Content, Objectives, Logins, and Grades. The table lists three students with their respective progress indicators.

Name	Content	Objectives	Logins	Grades
Student3, Schlangen Schlangen.Student3 SSASchlangen4	0 % Visited: 0 / 28	Completed: 0/4	No logins	■
Student2, Schlangen Schlangen.Student2 SSASchlangen3	4 % Visited: 1 / 28	Completed: 0/4	Logins: 1	■■■■
Student1, Schlangen Schlangen.Student1 SSASchlangen2	5 % Visited: 1 / 20	Completed: 0/4	Logins: 5	■■■

Figure: Class Progress settings

From the **Settings** screen, instructors can view which indicators to display in the table on the Class Progress dashboard.

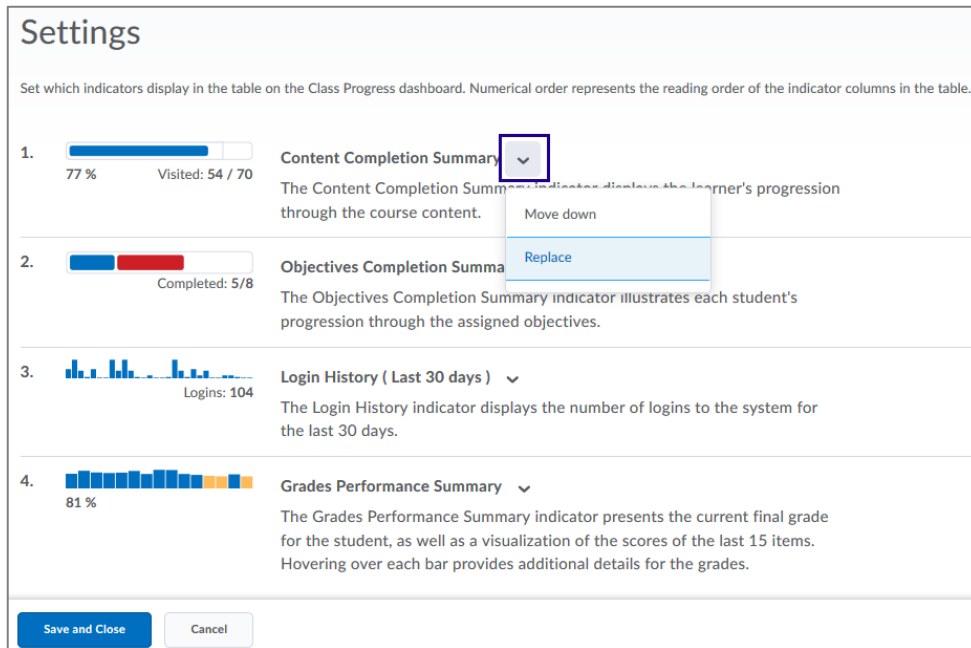


Figure: Class Progress settings with the option to move or replace the default indicator columns

From the Class Progress screen, instructors navigate to a student's **User Progress** page.

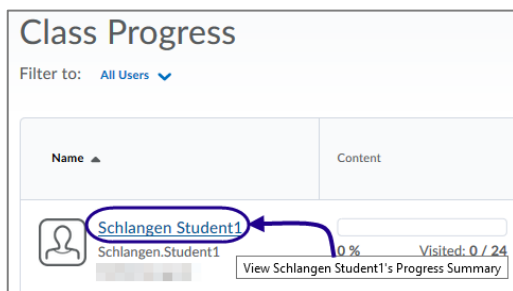


Figure: Navigate to a student's User Progress page from the Class Progress screen



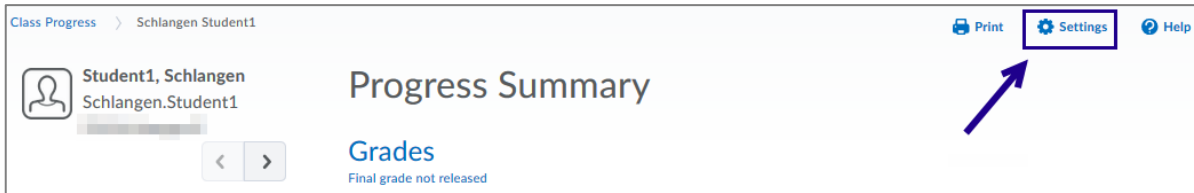


Figure: Settings link on a student's User Progress page

From the **Settings** screen, instructors can set progress indicators to include, progress report information, and color indicators on the User Progress page

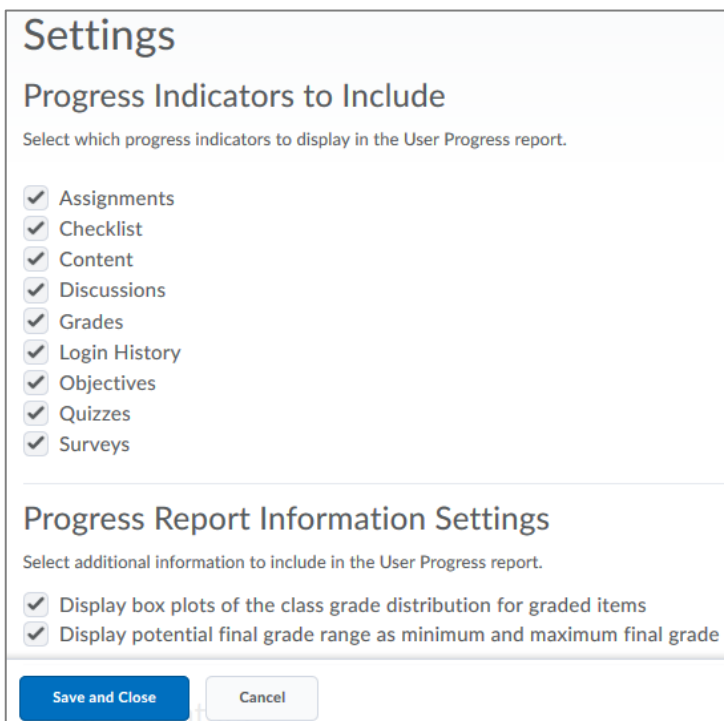


Figure: User Progress settings screen with the option to set the default progress indicators and report information

Updates to the **User Progress** settings are reflected on all students' User Progress pages.





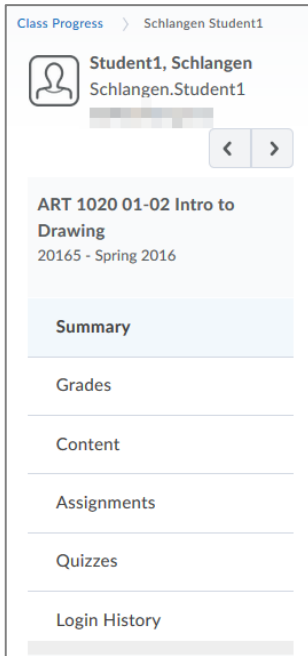


Figure: Updates to progress indicators and report information are reflected on the students' User Progress pages

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<p><b>Slight impact to instructors due to new default settings for Class and User Progress.</b></p>	<p><b>Availability:</b> This feature is available to all D2L Brightspace sites.</p> <p><b>User Resources:</b> For more information to share with users, visit the <a href="#">Measure And Guide Performance And Engagement - Instructor Guide</a> (print-based resources) or <a href="#">Change Class Progress settings</a> (online resource).</p>	<p>You may see different default settings when viewing the Class Progress tool in your new courses.</p> <p>If necessary, you can override the default settings for your individual courses.</p> <p><b>To change the default settings for the Class Progress screen:</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. From the course navbar, <i>click Course Admin.</i></li> <li>2. <i>Click the Class Progress tool link.</i></li> <li>3. On the <b>Class Progress</b> screen, <i>click Settings.</i></li> <li>4. On the Settings screen, <i>click the drop-down menu next to</i></li> </ol>

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		<p>an indicatory column and <i>select Move up, Move down or Replace.</i></p> <p>5. Click <b>Save and Close.</b></p> <p><b>To change the default settings for the User Progress screen:</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. From the course navbar, <i>click Course Admin.</i></li> <li>2. <i>Click the Class Progress tool link.</i></li> <li>3. On the <b>Class Progress</b> screen, <i>click on a student’s name.</i></li> <li>4. On a student’s <b>User Progress</b> screen, <i>click Settings.</i></li> <li>5. <i>Set the following: progress indicators to include, progress report information, and color indicators.</i></li> <li>6. <i>Click Save and Close.</i></li> </ol>

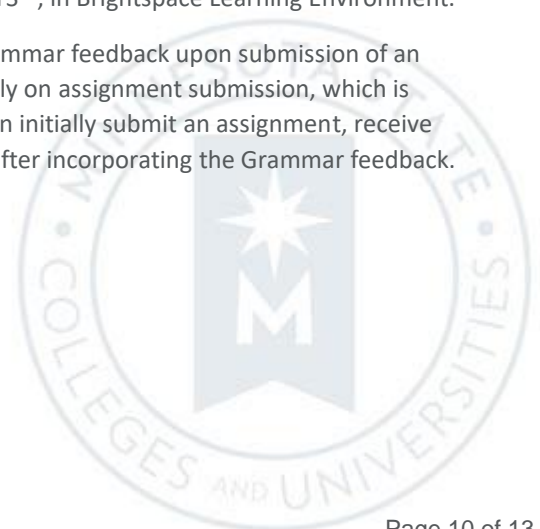
## INTEGRATIONS – TURNITIN

TurnItIn – Link to e-Rater<sup>®</sup> Grammar feedback | [New 10.8.10](#)

**Note: Only applicable to Minnesota State institutions that have purchased TurnItIn’s D2L Brightspace integration.**

Instructors can now turn on the e-rater Grammar checker, developed by ETS<sup>®</sup>, in Brightspace Learning Environment.

Once turned on by an instructor, learners are provided a link to e-rater Grammar feedback upon submission of an assignment. This enables learners to review Grammar feedback immediately on assignment submission, which is important for assignments that allow for multiple submissions. Learners can initially submit an assignment, receive Grammar feedback, and then submit another version of their assignment after incorporating the Grammar feedback.



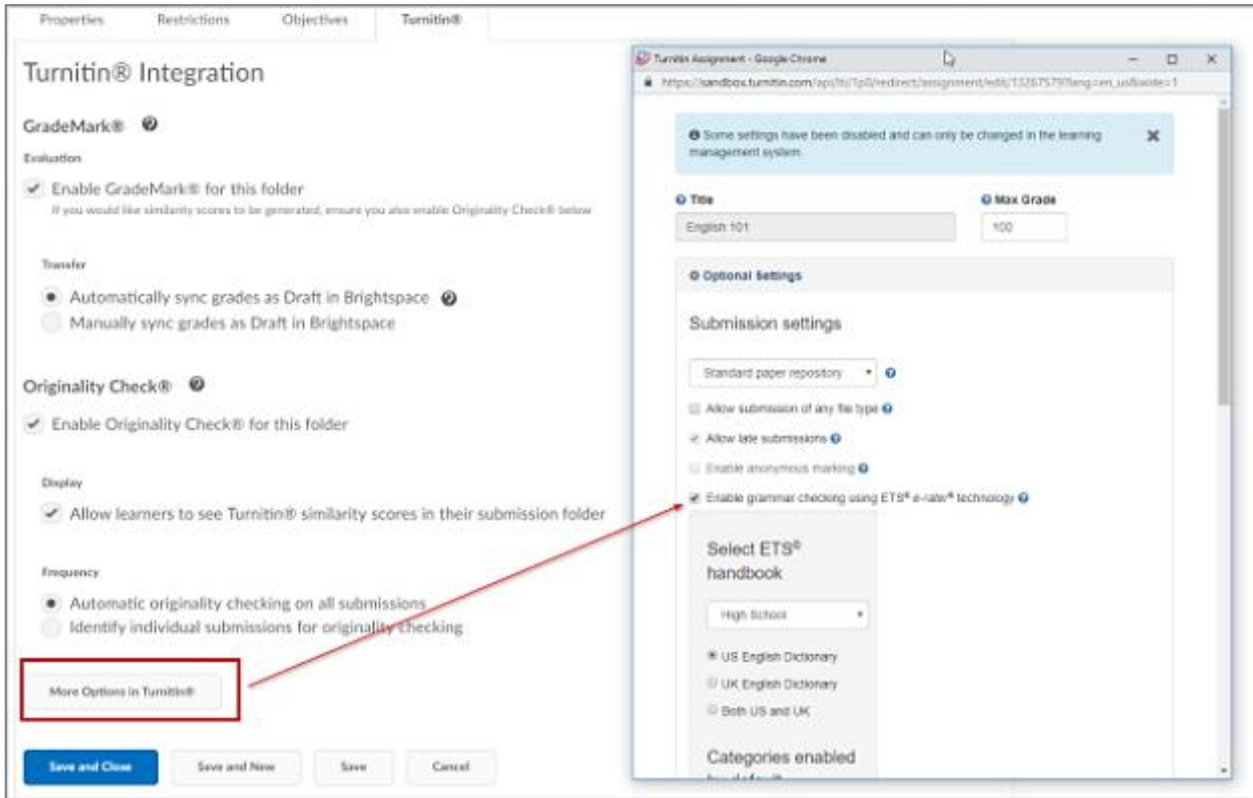


Figure: Enable e-rater Grammar checker

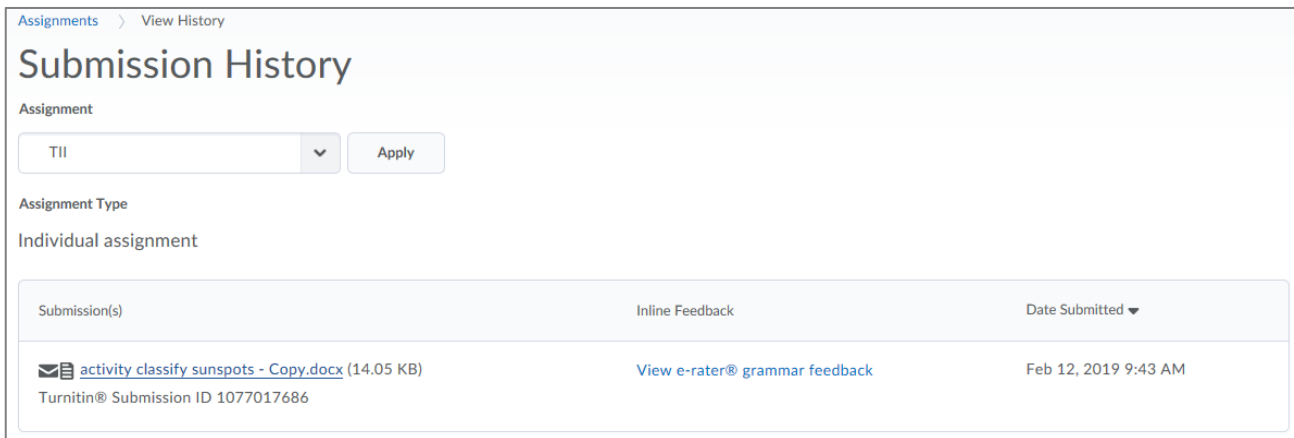


Figure: View e-rater Grammar feedback link from the Submission History screen

The screenshot shows a Turnitin interface for a student named 'Schlangen Student1' working on a document titled 'activity classify sunspots - Copy.docx'. The main content area displays an activity titled 'Activity: Classify the Sunspots' with a table for classification. The table has columns for Number, Single or Group?, Bi-Polar or Unipolar?, Penumbra?, Length (o), and Classification. Three rows of data are visible, with handwritten entries. A sidebar on the right shows 'e-rater® Results' with a list of grammar categories and their scores. The 'Usage' category is expanded, showing a score of 1 for 'Confused' and 0 for other categories like Negation, Wrong Article, etc. The 'Spelling' category also shows a score of 0. At the bottom, there are options for 'Text-only Report', 'Turnitin Classic', and 'High Resolution'.

Number	Single or Group?	Bi-Polar or Unipolar?	Penumbra?	Length (o)	Classification
11419	Single	Bi-Polar	Yes	0001	C
11420	Group	Unipolar	No	0002	F
11421	Single	Unipolar	Yes	0003	A

Figure: View e-rater Grammar results within TurnItIn

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<p><b>Slight impact to instructors who can turn on the e-rater Grammar checker in Brightspace Learning Environment.</b></p>	<p><b>Availability:</b> This feature is available to individual D2L Brightspace sites who have the licensed e-rater Grammar checker from TurnItIn.</p> <p><b>To enable:</b> To display the e-rater Grammar feedback link to learners, in the <b>TurnItIn Integration</b> dialog box &gt; <b>More Options in TurnItIn</b> &gt; <b>Optional Settings</b> &gt; <b>Submission Settings</b>, select the <b>Enable grammar checking using ETS e-rater technology</b> check box.</p> <p><b>User Resources:</b> For more information to share with users, visit <a href="#">Assignments and TurnItIn</a> (online resource).</p>	<p><b>Note:</b> Only applicable to individual Minnesota State institutions that have purchased the integration with D2L Brightspace.</p> <p>Please contact your campus site administrator or campus trainer to inquire if your campus has purchased the integration with D2L Brightspace, and to discuss the new features/settings.</p>

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<p><b>Slight impact to learners who can now view the View e-rater® grammar feedback link in the Inline Feedback column within their Submission History page</b></p>	<p><b>Availability:</b> This feature is available to individual D2L Brightspace sites who have the licensed e-rater Grammar checker from TurnItIn.</p> <p><b>To enable:</b> Ask your instructor if they are using the e-rater Grammar checker in D2L Brightspace.</p> <p><b>User Resources:</b> For more information to share with users, visit the <a href="#">TurnItIn Resources (KA #1443)</a> (online resource).</p>	<p><b>Note: Only applicable to individual Minnesota State institutions that have purchased the integration with D2L Brightspace.</b></p> <p>Please contact your instructor to inquire if he or she is using the integration with D2L Brightspace, and to discuss the new features/settings.</p>

