

# BbStats

## What is bbStats?

It is a building block plugin for Blackboard Learn LMS which provides statistical and analytical data about the system. The software reports live activity data and creates historical graphs. The reports are available through the browser or via mobile app on the iPhone and Android.

## What can bbStats do for you?

The building block reports important activity metrics:

1. How many guest (for Bb Learn Community clients) and authenticated users (for Bb Learn Basic) are currently on the system. This can be reported in a single number, a graphical representation of a gauge, or historical perspective of how many users per hour were present on your system. This report can be delivered to your phone via the mobile app.

This report is especially useful to system administrators in troubleshooting DOS attacks, WebDAV misconfiguration issues, or scalability issues. This is also a good adoption metric.

2. Page views, course views, login attempts, active users, active courses, organizations are available in a graphical perspective based on the System Tracking data. These graphs help to visualize the growth of the Bb Learn use over long periods of time.

3. Usernames of currently logged in users sorted by most active users at the top. Another report shows most active users in any window of time.

4. The number of emails sent through the Bb Learn system.

5. The number of assessments taken in the Bb Learn system per hour.

6. A report which requires configuration can show how many faculty who are teaching in a specific semester have not logged into the system. The same can be reported for students.

Download it here: <http://projects.oscelot.org/gf/project/bbstats/frs/>

## BbStats Building Block Configurations:

BbStats	<a href="#">Grand Rapids Community College</a>	3.0.20	Available	Unavailable	<a href="#">View Components</a>	Settings	Delete
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## From the BbStats SETTINGS Button:

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Administrator Panel Building Blocks > Installed Tools > BbStats Configuration

### BbStats Configuration

Configure the BbStats building block. The link will appear in the Admin tab and the urls are public. [View Dashboard](#)

★ Indicates a required field. ⚠ Indicates unsaved changes.

Cancel Submit

#### 1. Database Selection: Oracle or SQL

Please type in Oracle or SQL for MS SQL.

★ Database:   
Database Selection

#### 2. Graph default selection

These defaults will be applied to user and session graphs.

★ Number of days:   
Days

★ Number of users in the top users report:   
Users

#### 3. Mobile Access Control for Mobile App Client

Set a security code to control access via the mobile iPhone and Android client.

★ Mobile Token:   
The Mobile Token is an optional passcode for mobile app client.

#### 4. Administrator Access

Type in Yes to require System Administrator login to view the graphs.

★ System Administrator role access:   
Require System Administrator Role access:

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### 5. Live and inactive user data

Provide the number of days to report on and optional Course ID string ending

★ User activity in the last number of days:  Number of days

User activity in courses with specific Course ID pattern:

Use .F10 for Fall 2010 or any other pattern.

★ Number of days for the historical activity list:

This report may take a very long time to generate when you select more than 7 days. You should use a staging system or report system to run the report. No record locking takes place.

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### 6. JavaScript to display total user sessions

Copy and paste this script in an external HTML web page, perhaps the login page. You can modify the text or use the JS variable 'users' in more advanced JS code.

JavaScript section:

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<script language="JavaScript"
src="https://INSTITUTIONURL.edu/webapps/grcc-BbStats-BBLEARN/data_js.jsp?
code=EDITED_OUT"></script>
Our Blackboard Learn system has <script
language="JavaScript">document.write
(sessions);</script> active sessions.
```

Code to secure the JavaScript feed:

You can set an optional security code on the JS script.

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### 7. RSS feed

Use the RSS feed in RSS aggregator or an external web page.

RSS Feed Your RSS url: [RSS Feed](#)

Code to secure RSS feed:

You can set an optional security code on the RSS feed.

RSS Feed Title

RSS feed title.

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Visit: <http://projects.oscelot.org/gf/project/bbstats/>

Please visit our multi-institution data comparison project:  
<http://bit.ly/qNA0n1>

