

FIT2001: Systems Development

ED DISCUSSION – FEATURES

These are a few of the Ed Discussion features – some are only available to staff.

Announcement (Staff)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Sends email to all students and staff in the group
New Thread	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Click New Thread- Insert a Title- Select a Type – Question or Post or Announcement (staff)- Select a Category- Select a Subcategory (include OTHER)
Private	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Only shown to staff- If we think it is useful we can change to public but will remove all student identifying information (will make anonymous and possible edit the post if it has any identifying information)
Anonymous	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Name hidden except to staff (helps us deal with inappropriate messages)
Watching (the eye icon)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- If you click on the eye icon You will be emailed all activity on the question/post
Filter Star icon	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- On the top right hand corner of the posts there is a filter option with a range of filters.- You can star a post or comment and then use the filter option to see your starred comments and posts
Endorse (Staff)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Staff can endorse answers they think are reasonable. They can endorse multiple answers. They cannot endorse comments to the answers. They can endorse a post, but not comments on the post
Best answer – Green tick	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Only available for questions- Please note that if there is an existing green tick, any subsequent green tick will override any existing tick- Best answer is placed first
Search (top of posts)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- To the right of ‘ New Thread’ at top of posts- You can search through threads
Copy Link	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- This allows you to share the link of a post/answer with others
Delete	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- We can/will delete any inappropriate posts- Students can delete their own post/question- it will delete

	all associated content. Staff can find all deleted content using the filter and undelete specific content if necessary
Visible to staff only	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - When commenting on a post you can click the check box on the bottom LH of the post to make it private - visible to staff only
Decline (Staff)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - We can decline posts/question with a comment to the person who posted it
Lock (Staff)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - We can lock posts once we believe it is not productive to keep the discussion going

Express yourself in a range of ways when posting:

The image shows a post creation interface with a toolbar at the top containing the following buttons: **Format text**, **Hyperlink text**, **Create a list**, **Upload an image**, **Embed a video**, **Write an equation**, **Upload documents**, **Write code**, and **Annotate images**. Yellow arrows point from each of these labels to its respective button in the toolbar. Below the toolbar is a text editor area containing the text "Ed Discussion allows users to:" followed by a bulleted list of features: "Upload images", "Embed videos", "Write math equations", "Upload documents", "Embed runnable code", and "Annotate images". Below the list is a mathematical equation:
$$u(x, t) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{4\pi kt}} \int_0^\infty \left[\exp\left(-\frac{(x-y)^2}{4kt}\right) - \exp\left(-\frac{(x+y)^2}{4kt}\right) \right] g(y) dy$$
. Below the equation is a code editor with a "Run" button, a "Runnable" checkbox, and a "Swift" dropdown. The code editor contains the text:

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print("Hello, world!")
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 Below the code editor is a status bar showing "Hello, world!" and a green checkmark with the text "Program exited with code 0". Below the status bar are three checkboxes: "Pinned" (Keep at top of thread list), "Private" (Visible to you and staff only), and "Anonymous" (Hide your name from students). At the bottom right is a blue "Post" button. A yellow arrow points from the "Post" button to the text "Submit your post" below it.