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Peer-Reviewed Projects

Peer-graded projects allow you to give feedback to other learners and receive comments on your own work. Some assignments also include a self-evaluation step.

Your grade is calculated using the median scores (from your peers) on each assignment component. There is usually a grade penalty for not evaluating your peers.

Learn more about:

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Submitting your project

Submitting your project works slightly differently depending on the type of course (/hc/en-us/articles/203879739) you're taking.

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To submit your work:

- 1. Save your assignment as you work
- 2. If required, upload any additional files (accepted file types: .txt, .csv, .html, .htm, .css, .pdf, .jpeg, .jpg, .png, .gif)
- 3. Click Submit for grading
- 4. Click Review your work to ensure your submission is complete and any files uploaded successful

To edit a submitted project:

- 1. Go back to the assignment submission page
- 2. Re-do the assignment or re-upload the necessary files
- 3. Click Resubmit for grading

You can re-submit your work as many times as you like before the submission deadline. Only your last submission will be evaluated.

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To submit your work:

- 1. Review the **Instructions** tab.
- 2. Navigate to the My submission tab and complete the form.
- 3. Click Save draft, and then Preview your completed project.
- 4. Click Submit for review to share your project, or Edit to make additional changes.

To edit a submitted project:

- 1. Return to the My submission tab.
- 2. Click the Edit Project link below your submission.
- 3. If you have already received reviews, you will be asked to confirm your choice to edit your project. Editing will delete all existing reviews.
- 4. Make any changes to your project. Click **Save draft**, and then **Preview** the changes.
- 5. Click **Submit for review** to share your edited project.

Reviewing your peers

Reviewing your peers' submissions works slightly differently depending on the type of course (/hc/en-us/articles/203879739) you're taking.

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To review your peers' submissions:

- 1. From the assignment index page, click **Evaluation**
- 2. Open the first submission
- 3. Review the assignment rubric
- 4. Enter scores and comments for each rubric component
- 5. Click Submit
- 6. Repeat for the remaining evaluations (be sure to click **Submit** for every evaluation)

If you're having trouble evaluating:

- 1. Check that the evaluation phase has started (after the submission deadline)
- 2. Check that no evaluation fields are blank
- 3. Contact us if you still can't submit

If the assignment includes a self-evaluation, follow the same process to submit your self-evaluation. If your self-evaluation score is within 5% of your overall peer grade, you'll receive the higher of the two scores as your final score.

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To review your peers:

- 1. Navigate to the **Review Peers** tab (if you have just submitted your own project, you will be automatically directed to the Review Peers section).
- 2. Choose a project to review.
- 3. Complete the evaluation form.
- 4. Click Submit feedback.

To give useful feedback, avoid commenting on factors that aren't part of the assignment, such as the writer's political beliefs or language skills. Give thoughtful written comments, such as encouragement, positive feedback, and helpful suggestions for improvement. Never include sarcasm, profanity, or personal attacks in

a peer evaluation.

You can also leave public comments by completing the form under the project and clicking **Post. You cannot edit or delete a post** - please be thoughtful about your message!

Privacy and sharing work

As a part of the peer assessment process, your assignment submissions will be viewed by other students in the class.

As a student, you understand that:

- · Your submitted work will be seen by several other students, as well as by instructional staff.
- Coursera and instructional staff can only forbid, not control, the distribution of your submitted work outside Coursera.

Some peer-graded assignments may have options to allow you to share your work more broadly using a custom URL.

Other peer-graded assignments may have forum-posting capabilities enabled. Forum-posting automatically posts your work and its evaluations to course forums. If forum posting is enabled, your name will appear alongside your submission in the forums.

Reporting plagiarism and abuse

Plagiarism is copying materials from another source without giving credit.

If you notice plagiarism (or spam/mature content), please:

- 1. Contact us (/hc/en-us/requests/new?ticket_form_id=19009)
- 2. Include links to the submission (and the original source material, if reporting plagiarism)

Understanding your grade

Grades for peer-graded assignments are calculated as follows:

- 1. Your peers assign a score for each component of your assignment.
- 2. For some assignments, you may also complete a self-evaluation.
- 3. The median score for each assignment component becomes the final score for that component. Using the median (as opposed to the average) reduces the impact of unusually high or low scores.
- 4. The final component scores are added together to determine your overall peer grade.
- 5. If the assignment includes a self-evaluation, and if your self-evaluation grade is within 5% of the final peer grade, you will receive the higher of the two grades.
- 6. If you did not submit the required number of peer and self-evaluations during the evaluation phase of the assignment, you may receive a grade penalty.

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