MIDTERM GRADES IN CANVAS

We’ve had a number of questions about putting Midterm Grades into Canvas and uploading them to MyView. Unlike Blackboard, Canvas does not allow for a calculated “running total” column other than the existing “Total” column, which is only used for uploading the final grade at the end of the semester. So, if you have a Midterm Grade column, it will likely reflect an artificially low grade because it will count ungraded future items as “0”. Therefore, we are left with a couple of options for Midterm grades in Canvas:

1) Enter midterm grades manually into MyView: go to MyView, select the course and enter grades from the dropdown menu choices. You can see this grade from your “Total” column, which is giving the students’ current totals based on what has been completed so far. Now, this option is reasonable if you have a manageable number of students in your class, but what if you have over 20? Over 50? Well, then there’s option 2.

2) Unpublish every gradable item (Assignments, Discussions, Quizzes, etc.) from the Midterm point until the end of the semester. That will establish a running total value for a Midterm Grade column that can be uploaded directly to MyView. After midterm grades have been published in MyView, you can then re-publish those future columns.