



Course Design

In Blackboard 6, you can change the course menu design as well as add a course banner. You can choose a button or text navigation style, colors and design features from this area.

Course Options	
Manage Course Menu	Import Package
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Changing the Course Menu Design

Go to the *Control Panel*.

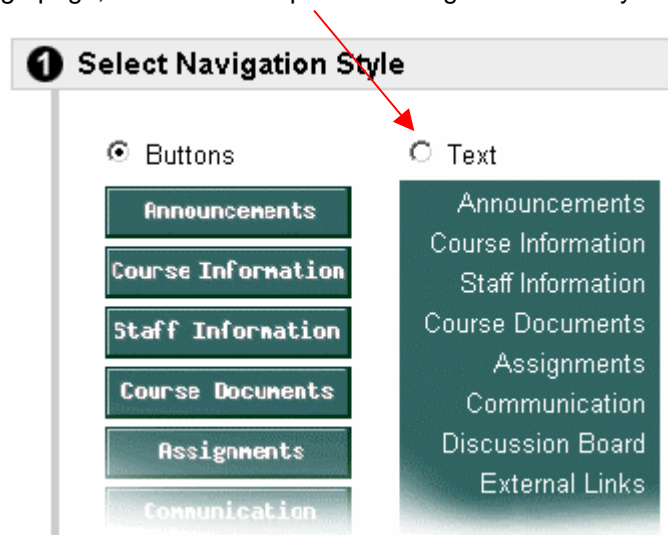
In the *Course Options*, click the **Settings** link.

In the *Settings* area, click the **Course Design** link.

Click **Course Design** to change / modify the course menu design.

Note: Button navigation style is the default.

On the *Course Design* page, click the Text option to change the menu style from buttons to links.




Button Navigation Style

1. If you select the button style additional options are available. These include type, shape and style pattern of your button.

2 Select Style Properties

Button Type:

Button Shape: Rounded Corners Rectangular Rounded Ends

Button Style: 
[\[GALLERY OF BUTTONS \]](#)

Color Palette:
Violet Black
Violet Blue
Violet Brown
Violet Green
Violet Orange
Violet Red

[Click the GALLERY OF BUTTONS to view all the options.]

2. Click the **Submit** button to finish the process.
3. Example:



Text Navigation Style

1. If you select the text style additional there are additional options to be defined.

2 Select Style Properties

Instructions:

Pick an item. Click on the color palette to assign a color to that item. Submit your color changes when you are finished.

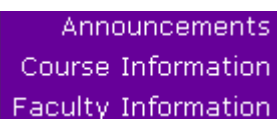
Select background color for navigation:



Select highlight color for navigation:



2. In the *Select Style Properties*, click the **Pick** button to select both a background color and highlight color (text color) for your menu.
3. Click the **Submit** button to complete the process.
4. Example:



Note: When selecting colors for your menu, be sure that you use contrasting colors for the text and background, so that students can easily read the navigation menu.

Adding a Banner

1. Go to the *Control Panel*.
2. In the *Course Options*, click the **Settings** link.
3. At the *Settings* page, click the **Course Design** link.
4. Click the **Course Banner** link.

1 Select Course Banner

The banner appears at the top of the announcements page.

Current banner:



New Banner:

Remove this banner



5. On the *Course Banner* page, click the **Browse** button to locate the previously created banner for your course.
6. Select the image and the file name will appear in the area next to the **Browse** button.
7. Click the **Submit** button to complete the process.
8. To remove a banner, check the **Remove this banner** option and click the **Submit** button.

Note:

The banner can be created with a software program like Macromedia Fireworks or Adobe Photoshop.

When creating the banner, the dimensions of the image should be approximately 700 x 100 pixels.