

ADAPTIVE RELEASE CRITERIA

About Adaptive Release Criteria

Criteria are the parts that define an Adaptive Release rule. Instructors have the option of applying one or more criteria to each rule. For example, one rule may make content available after a specific date, while another rule, with multiple criteria, may make content available to a course Group after a specific date. There are a number of different types of criteria available to Instructors.

The following is a brief description of each available criteria:

CRITERIA	DESCRIPTION
Date / Time	Display content based on a date or time. Options include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • after a specific date • until a specific date • after a specific date and until a specific date
Username	Display content to one or more users.
Group	Display content to members of one or more Groups in a course.
Gradebook: Item with at least one attempt	Display content based on a recorded attempt by the user. For example, the user has completed the Test or a grade has been entered for an Assignment.
Gradebook: Item with a specific score	Display content based on a required score. Options include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • after a specific date • less than or equal to • equal to • greater than • greater than or equal to
Gradebook: Item with a score between X and Y	Display content based on a range of scores. For example, if a Student scores between 85 and 100 on an exam.
Review Status an item	Display content to the user only after an associated item has been marked Reviewed by the user.

About Date criteria

Date criteria enables content to be displayed according to date and time. Content may be displayed after a specific date, until a specific date, or after a specific date and until a specific date. For example, the Instructor may use the date criteria to release lecture notes only after the lecture has occurred or the date criteria option could be used give one Group, such as Students with learning disabilities, more time to access content than another Group would receive.

Dates for availability may be set when the item is created or modified under options or through a Date criteria rule. The Instructor may decide to use both the date restrictions on the Modify page and the Date criteria rule. For example, the item can be made available on the Modify page from December 1 – December 30. Then the item may be made available to one small group of users from December 1 – December 15 and another small group of users from December 16 – December 30.



NOTE: If the date is changed on the item itself, for example on the Modify Item page, and date criteria already exist, a warning message appears. The same is true if the user attempts to add date criteria and a date for the item has been set on the Add or Modify page.

Add Date criteria to a rule

Date criteria fields are filled out with the same information for both basic Adaptive Release rules and advanced Adaptive Release rules. Instructors may add additional criteria to a rule, in addition to date criteria, to further narrow the availability of an item.

Follow the steps below to add date criteria to an advanced Adaptive Release rule:

1. Open a Content Area from the Control Panel.
2. Select **Manage** next to the content item. The Manage page appears.
3. Select **Adaptive Release: Advanced**. The Adaptive Release: Advanced page appears.
4. To add a new rule, select **Add Rule** in the Action Bar. The Add Rule page appears. Enter a name for the rule and click **Submit**. Alternatively, the criteria may be added to an existing rule. In this case, select **Modify** next to a rule on the Adaptive Release page.
5. Select **Date** in the Action Bar. The Date page appears.

DATE CRITERIA	SETTING
Display an item after a specific date	Click the checkbox next to Display After. Select a date and time in the drop-down lists below. The item will appear to users after this date and time.
Display an item until a specific date	Click the checkbox next to Display Until. Select a date and time in the drop-down lists below. The item will appear to users until this date and time.
Display an item after a specific date and until a specific date	Click the checkbox next to Display After and Display Until. Select a date and time in the drop-down lists below. The item will appear to users between these dates and times.

About Membership Criteria

Membership criteria allow content to be displayed according to username and course Group. The Instructor may set up criteria that use one or both of these options; the Instructor may make this item available to a course Group, or the Instructor may make this item available to a course Group and other specific individuals.

Make content available to specific users

Membership criteria are useful for making content available to a specific user. For example, if a Student requests a way to earn more points for class the Instructor may agree, but decide to not offer this option to the entire course. The Instructor creates an extra credit content item and only releases it to the single Student through the Membership criteria.

Make content available to Groups

Membership criteria may be used to manage content for Groups within a course. For example, a class is divided into three groups and each group has a different assignment. They are instructed to learn the topic and then present the material to the entire class. The Instructor has materials for each Group. The Instructor loads the material for Group 1 as content items, and releases the material only to Group 1. Then the Instructor loads the material for Group 2 as content items, and releases that material only to Group 2. This same process is used for Group 3. When a Group presents the material to the class, the Instructor may then change the release rule on that material so it becomes available to the entire class. (Alternatively, if the Instructor knows the date of presentation ahead of time, the Date criteria may be used to make the content available for the rest of the class.)

Add Membership criteria to a rule

Membership criteria fields are filled out with the same information for both basic Adaptive Release rules and advanced Adaptive Release rules. Instructors may add additional criteria to a rule, in addition to Membership criteria, to further narrow the availability of an item.

1. Follow the steps below to add Membership criteria to an advanced Adaptive Release rule:
2. Open a Content Area from the Control Panel.
3. Select **Manage** next to the content item. The Manage page appears.
4. Select **Adaptive Release: Advanced**. The Adaptive Release: Advanced page appears.
5. To add a new rule, select **Add Rule** in the Action Bar. The Add Rule page appears. Enter a name for the rule and click **Submit**. Alternatively, the criteria may be added to an existing rule. In this case, select **Modify** next to a rule on the Adaptive Release page.
6. Select **Membership** in the Action Bar. The Membership page appears.

MEMBERSHIP CRITERIA	SETTING
Make content available to specific users	In the Username field enter one or more usernames, separated by commas or click Browse to search the system. Use the Search for User window to search for and select usernames to add to the field. Selected Usernames appear at the bottom of the section.
Make content available to Groups	All Groups in the course appear in Available Course Groups, even those that are unavailable. Use the arrows to move Groups from the Not Selected field to the Selected field. Content is displayed to all of the Groups that appear in the Selected field.

About Gradebook criteria

Gradebook criteria may be used to release content based on item attempt and score. A number of different score values may be selected, including the following:

- A score greater than a set value
- A score less than a set value
- A score that equals a specific value
- A score that falls within a range of values

Make content available based on Gradebook attempt

Gradebook criteria are useful for Instructors who want to make content visibility dependent on attempts made by Students on Assessments or Assignments. An Instructor may prepare a pre-test for Students to prepare for the final. The idea is for the Students to pre-test themselves before seeing the review materials, to know how much they recall without extra studying. Using Gradebook criteria the Instructor creates the review materials, but only releases it to Students who have attempted the pre-test test at least once.

Another example of attempt based criteria is end-of-term surveys. Some institutions require end-of-term surveys about the course, before the final exam is taken. In this case, the Instructor can make the final exam item available only after the survey is attempted at least once.

Make content available based on Gradebook score

Gradebook criteria may be used to make content available based on the score a Student receives. Many courses rely on progression, such as foreign languages, where Students must learn one topic before moving onto another. If an Instructor is about to teach advanced verb conjugation, but wants Students to have passed the assignment on basic verb conjugation, the Instructor can create a rule that allows only those Students who have received at least a 70 on the basic verb conjugation assignment to view the advanced verb conjugation material.

Instructors can also establish a range of values for content release, such as releasing an item only to users who scored between a 70 and 80 and might need some remediation, but less remediation than users who received less than a 70. In this case, the Instructor creates two content items and releases one to users who fall into the 70-80 range and releases the other to Students who received less than a 70.

Add Gradebook criteria to a rule

Gradebook criteria fields are filled out with the same information for both basic Adaptive Release rules and advanced Adaptive Release rules. Instructors may add additional criteria to a rule, in addition to Gradebook criteria, to further narrow the availability of an item.



TIP: Only one Gradebook item may be selected for each Gradebook criteria. For example, one criteria may not be used to make an item visible based on the score of two different Gradebook items. However, multiple Gradebook criteria may be added to a single Advanced Adaptive Release rule. The Instructor may set up one criteria that makes Project A available after Test #1 is complete and another criteria in the same rule that makes Project A available after Test #2 is complete. In this example, only Students who have completed Test #1 and Test #2 may view Project A.

Follow the steps below to add Gradebook criteria to an advanced Adaptive Release rule:

1. Open a Content Area from the Control Panel.
2. Select **Manage** next to the content item. The Manage page appears.
3. Select **Adaptive Release: Advanced**. The Adaptive Release: Advanced page appears.
4. To add a new rule, select **Add Rule** in the Action Bar. The Add Rule page appears. Enter a name for the rule and click **Submit**. Alternatively, the criteria may be added to an existing rule. In this case, select **Modify** next to a rule on the Adaptive Release page.
5. Select **Gradebook** in the Action Bar. The Membership page appears.
6. Select the Gradebook item this criteria is based on in the **Select Gradebook Item** drop-down list. Only one item may be selected.

GRADEBOOK CRITERIA	SETTING
Make content available based on Gradebook attempt	Select the option Item has at least one attempt .
Make content available based on less than, greater than, or equal to score	Use the options in the Score drop-down list to select Less Than , Greater Than , or Equal To . Enter a number in the field for the score this criteria is based on; this must be an integer.
Make content available for a score within a range of values	Select the option Score between _ and _ . Enter the range of values in the fields within this option.

About Review Status criteria

Review Status criteria is used to release content based on the user's review of a specific content item. For example, the Instructor may create criteria that makes Assignment #1 available only after Students have marked Homework #1 reviewed.

Add Review Status criteria to a rule

Review Status criteria fields are filled out with the same information for both basic Adaptive Release rules and advanced Adaptive Release rules. Instructors may add additional criteria to a rule, in addition to Review Status, to further narrow the availability of an item. Review Status may be applied to a Learning Unit but may not be applied to individual files within a Learning Unit.

Follow the steps below to add Review Status criteria to an advanced Adaptive Release rule:

1. Open a Content Area from the Control Panel.
2. Select **Manage** next to the content item. The Manage page appears.
3. Select **Adaptive Release: Advanced**. The Adaptive Release: Advanced page appears.
4. To add a new rule, select **Add Rule** in the Action Bar. The Add Rule page appears. Enter a name for the rule and click **Submit**. Alternatively, the criteria may be added to an existing rule. In this case, select **Modify** next to a rule on the Adaptive Release page.
5. Select **Review Status** in the Action Bar. The Review Status page appears.
6. Select **Browse** to open the Course Map. Click an item in the Course Map to select it for Review Status criteria. Review Status will be turned on for this item. Users must mark the item reviewed before the content including this rule is available.