Adding a Banner to the Course Home Page

The Course Home Page is the new course entry point in Blackboard 9.1. While a course site does not need to be aesthetically pleasing, adding a banner to the Home Page will help students orient themselves within Blackboard so they will know which course shell they’ve entered. The instructions here-in outline the process by which the Instructor can add a banner to the Course Home Page.

To edit the Course Home Page Banner:

1. Click *Edit Mode* to *On*.

2. Click on the *Action Link* button next to Home Page.

3. Select *Page Banner* from the resulting menu.

4. In *Option 1 Page Banner Content*, delete and retypen the page name as desired using the Text Editor.

   *Note:* While a textual name is not required, it is recommended that some textual reference to the course or page name remain for the purpose of page accessibility.

5. *To add a Banner Image:*
   a. Click the *Attach Image* icon in the text editor to add a banner image to the page.
   b. In *Option 1 Select Image* on the Insert Image page, select the *Attach File browse option*.
      - *Browse My Computer* - use this option if the image resides on your computer.
      - *Browse Course* - use this option if the image has been uploaded to the Course Content Collection.
      - *Source URL* – use this option if the banner image already exists online.
   c. Search for and select the image from the source selected in Step 2.
d. Once the image is selected, type an image descriptor into the Alt Text field under Image Options. 
   **Note**: Alt Text defines what an image is for a user with a visual impairment using assistive technology.

e. Click [Submit] to preview the image.

f. Click [Submit] again to add the image to the Home Page banner.

6. When you are satisfied with the Page Banner content, click [Submit] to return to the Course Home Page.