
WebCT 4.x: Navigating WebCT and Your Homepage

Introduction

WebCT 4x has internal navigation links. WebCT strongly recommends that you do not use your browser's Back and Forward buttons. Those buttons work well with many web pages, but WebCT contains many special forms that carry more information than most web pages, which is why you'll want to use WebCT navigation only. To navigate WebCT screens, use the links provided in the following features:

- **Course Menu**
- **Menu Bar**
- **Breadcrumbs** – Breadcrumbs are located on the Menu bar. They show your location in the course and provide links to previous screens. To return to a previous screen, click the corresponding screen name in the breadcrumbs.



Note Within a course, you cannot open links that are on the *Course Menu* or *Menu Bar* in a new window.

To navigate the online Help, use the *Back*, *Forward*, and *Help Index* links provided on the Help menu bar.

About Homepage

When you log into your WebCT course, the first thing you see is the *Homepage*. From the *Homepage* you can navigate to any point in your course quickly and easily.

Your Homepage at a glance

Homepage includes the following features:

- A *Menu Bar* gives you constant access to elements such as *myWebCT*, *Resume Course*, *Course Map*, and *Help*.
- The title of your course
- Breadcrumbs that show your location within the course
- A list of course content and tools that provides you with quick and easy navigation around your course
- A Content Area in which course material appears

Getting familiar with the Menu Bar

The Menu Bar includes the following features:

Menu Bar Item Explanation

myWebCT

Allows you to see a list of courses in which you are registered.

Resume Course

Allows you to resume your place in the Content Module.

Course Map

Allows you to view the structure of the entire course on one page. The course elements are links, enabling you to go to any place in the course from a single page. This tool simplifies navigation and is especially useful for courses with a large number of elements.

Help

Links you to context-sensitive online Help.

Check Browser

Allows you to verify that your Web browser version is compatible for use with WebCT.



Note Depending on administrator settings, this feature may not be available to you.

Logout

Logs you out of the course and displays the Entry Page screen.



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Getting familiar with the Course Menu

The *Course Menu* includes the following features:

Course Menu Bar Item

Explanation

Collapse/Expand Course Menu Toggle

Converts *Course Menu* into a drop-down list and expands the *Content* area.

Course Menu list

Provides access to the most important components of your course.