# Moodle 3.7 - Summer 2019 Upgrade

## Moodle Summer Upgrade 2019

This year's summer Moodle upgrade will begin on Friday 26th July at 5 PM and will be completed on Saturday 27th July by 12 PM. You should consider the platform to be at risk until 8am Monday 29 July. During this time, you should avoid conducting any time bound activities such as submissions deadlines.

> What's new with Moodle?
The Moodle upgrade will deliver multiple improvements across the platform including:

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## Moodle Changes

This year we will have a number of small changes to Moodle as we are upgrading from Moodle 3.4 to Moodle 3.7. This upgrade will jump 3 point releases and therefore brings some additional functionality which is listed below.

### Moodle 3.5 Updates

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## Moodle Snapshot Changes

Finally, some changes to Moodle snapshots are being made this summer for GDPR compliance.

> What changes are happening to Moodle snapshots?

In order to be GDPR compliant, the number of read-only Moodle snapshots from previous years will be reduced from 7 to 5. The remaining snapshots will also have their Moodle version upgraded to 3.5 to help ensure they're GDPR compliant and secure.
• Improved course overview page to increase usability. Sort, bookmark and display courses. Recently accessed courses block and recently accessed items block added to the dashboard.

• Use cohort membership as badge criteria.
• Add sitewide fault for grade export: include feedback.
• Allow badges as criteria for earning other badges.
• Feedback – multiple choice (rated) – remove weights from answer.

>> What snapshots will be available after these changes?
• UCL Moodle 2018/19 (snapshot to be taken on 20th September 2019)
• UCL Moodle 2017/18 (snapshot to be taken this summer)
• UCL Moodle 2016/17 (snapshot taken July 2017)
• Improved forum activity including adding, locking and replying (including private tutor replies), discussion sorting and discussion favoriting
• Improved messaging interface including course group messaging for tutors/administrators

• Allow uploading of profile picture to be used as badge criteria
• Bulk deleting self-registered enrolments on participants page

• Ability to set date/time to nearest minute
• Ability to add a link to glossary entry

• UCL Moodle 2015/16 (snapshot taken July 2016)
• UCL Moodle 2014/15 (snapshot taken July 2015)

>> What snapshots will be removed after these changes?
• UCL Moodle 2013/14 (snapshot taken July 2014)
• Question tagging and quiz stats in quizzes
• Submission and feedback of assignments
• Theme, layout and CSS changes to improve the use of accessibility tools

• Ability to apply file type restrictions for essay question type
• For further information, see: https://docs.moodle.org/dev/Moodle_3.5_release_notes#Functional_changes

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• UCL Moodle 2012/13 (snapshot taken July 2013)
• UCL Moodle 2011/12 (snapshot taken July 2012)
• UCL Moodle 2010/11 (snapshot taken July 2011)
• UCL Moodle 2009/10 (snapshot taken July 2010)
We will provide more information about these and other new features on our UCL Digital Education Blog over the coming weeks or you can refer to the "Moodle Changes" on the right hand block.

>> What changes will occur during this upgrade?

- IF conditions in grade calculation
- Calendar entries location support
- Course formats may be specified in upload courses CSV file
- Page resource option to show/hide “Last modified”
- Option to download the list of course participants

>> Who do I contact if I have any questions or concerns? If you have any questions or concerns regarding the snapshot changes, please contact moodleproject@ucl.ac.uk with the subject Snapshot Changes.
Moodle will be upgraded from the current version of 3.4 to the new release version of 3.7 which ensures we stay on Moodle.org's supported release schedule for software and security patches.

Upgrading to version 3.7 will resolve several Gradert reports after edit with multiple tabs.

Drag and drop of course events respects the course start date.

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>> Moodle 3.7 Updates
ral issues on the current version of Moodle as well as introduce enhancements to features such as forums and the course overview block.

Details of upcoming changes can be found in the release notes.

- HTM tags allowed in the title of Lesson activity "content pages"
- "AND" and "OR" are available in if-conditions for grade calculation
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<td>After the upgrade, you will be able to see two login blocks a bit like the legacy and New Moodle landing page. The new landing page will allow you to log in to Moodle 18/19/Late Summer Assessments and Moodle for the</td>
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new academic year 19/20 up until 20th
• Moodle will return to one working platform and a snapshot of New Moodle will be taken from 20th September for the 2018-19 academic year.
- The current URL for New Moodle, moodle-1 819. ucl.ac.uk, will become moodle.ucl.ac.uk.

**>> What about snapshots?**

Two snapshots will be taken this summer to account for the 2017-18 and 2018-19 academic years. As mentioned previously, Legacy Moodle will be made read-only on April 30th to being the snapshot process for the 2017-18 which didn't occur last summer. A
snapshot of New Moodle will then be taken for the 2018-19 before it's upgraded and becomes the sole instance of Moodle at UCL. There are some changes being made to Moodle snapshots which you can read more about in the Moodle
Snapshot Changes section.

>> When can I reset my course?

Last summer we asked people to not reset their courses as it would impact with the migration and snapshot of Moodle for the 2017-18 academic year. This summer you’ll be able to reset your courses after the upgrade has been completed. While you’re resetting your courses, please follow your usual steps. Additionally we will also ask you to:
1) Ensure the course full name and short name is updated as they'll be prefixed with the current academic year.

2) Relink your Lecturecast content to your new academic year so it links to the right content and not the old content.

3) Reset any assignment links

4) Activate Mapping for your Portico Enrolments.
What happens with my links to New Moodle?
If you have any links to the New Moodle platform, these will be automatically redirected to the updated URL after the upgrade takes place. For example, a link to a New Moodle course will look like this: moodle-1819.ucl.ac.uk/course/view.php?id=XX. It’s recommended for as many links as possible to be correctly updated.
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