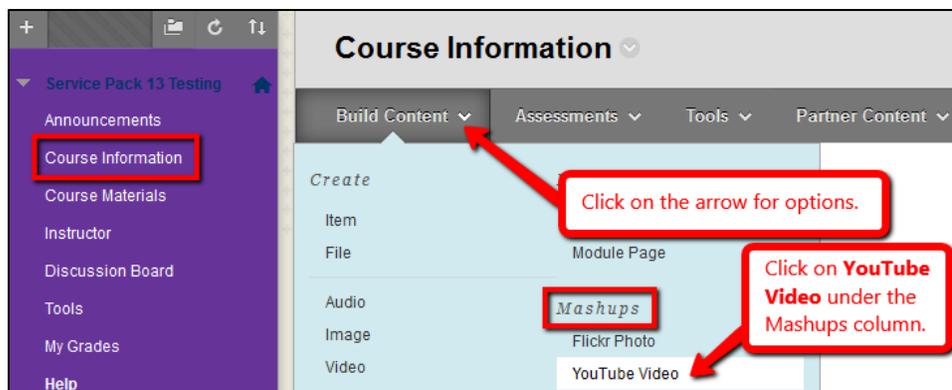


Embedding YouTube Videos in Blackboard

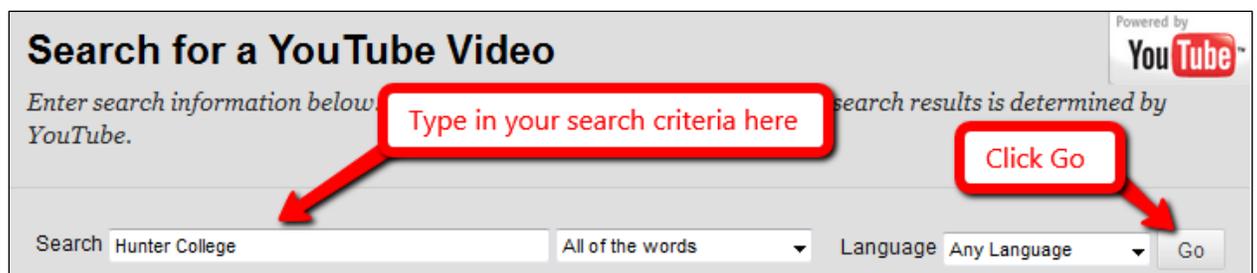
YouTube is a repository of video content on the Web where instructors may find useful content for instructional purposes. If you find a video on YouTube that you would like to include in a Blackboard course site, you can either link to it by adding an external link or embed it into a content area. Embedding a video in a content area has the advantages of putting it into the context of a course and preventing students from getting distracted by other videos on the YouTube site. Students are able to click on the video within Blackboard to play it.

To embed a YouTube video using the Mashups tool:

1. Go to the content area of the Blackboard course site where you want to embed the video. (In our example, the content area chosen is **Course Information**. Click on **Build Content** for options and then click on **YouTube Video** located under **Mashups**.



2. Type in your search criteria in the **Search** text box. Then click **Go**.



1. You will see the search results listed below.

The screenshot shows a YouTube search results page. At the top, it says "Search Results" and "Powered by YouTube". Below that, there's a search bar with "hunter college" entered, a language dropdown set to "English", and a "Go" button. The page indicates "Page 1 of 100000" and "Displaying 1 to 10 of 1000000 items". There are two video results shown. The first is "CUNY Hunter College - 5 Things I Wish I Had Known Before Attending" with a duration of 2:17. The second is "New York City Vibes | Hunter College | BFTS ep. 3" with a duration of 8:52. Each result has a thumbnail image and a "Select" button below it.

2. Click **Select** button below the image.
3. To preview a video, click the **Preview** button below located on the right side of the screen. After viewing the video preview click the **Back** button to go back to the create mashup item screen.

The screenshot shows the "Create Mashup Item" form. At the top, it says "Embed YouTube content directly in a course. The content is streamed from YouTube and is not stored within the course." Below that, there's a note: "* Indicates a required field." and three buttons: "Back", "Preview", and "Submit". The main section is titled "1. Add YouTube Content to Course". It features a video thumbnail of Hunter College and a form with the following fields: "Name" (required) with the value "Hunter College Tour", "Color of Name" set to "Black", "Duration" (3:02), "User" (casey05041), and "Added" (4/15/10). Below the form is a rich text editor with a toolbar and a text area containing the sentence "Please watch the YouTube Video on Hunter College." with a red arrow pointing to the end of the sentence. At the bottom, it shows "Path: p » span" and "Words:8".

4. You will have the option to change the display name of the video and/or add supplemental text in a text box.
5. If you want to add the video to your course, click the **Select** button.
6. You can adjust options such as displaying the video as a **Thumbnail**, a **Text link with a player** or **Embedded video** by choosing the option from the view dropdown menu.
7. You can also attach files and adjust date and time restrictions.

2. Mashup Options

Show YouTube URL creates a link to the YouTube web site enabling students to browse videos. Show YouTube information displays length of video, name of creator and the date video was added.

View: Thumbnail Thumbnail Text Link with Player Embed Video

Show YouTube URL: Yes No

Show YouTube information: Yes No

3. Attachments

Files can be attached here. Click Browse to select the file to attach and specify a name for the link to this file.

Attach local file:

4. Standard Options

Permit Users to View this Content: Yes No

Track Number of Views: Yes No

Select Date and Time Restrictions: Display After

Enter dates as mm/dd/yyyy. Time may be entered in any increment.

Display Until

Enter dates as mm/dd/yyyy. Time may be entered in any increment.

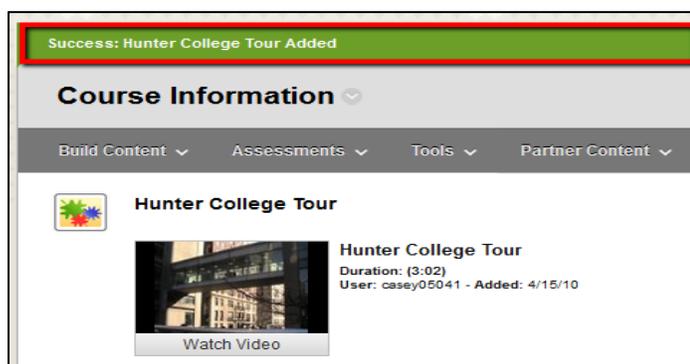
5. Submit

Click Submit to proceed. Click Back to back. Click Preview to preview.

Callout boxes:

- Choose viewing option from the Mashups option dropdown menu.
- You can also attach a file and adjust Date and Time Restrictions.
- After you adjust your options, click the Submit button.

8. After you adjust your options, click the **Submit** button. You will receive a green success message and your video will be displayed in the content area.





Note: The **Mashups** option is also available on the Text Editor box. Select **YouTube** from the dropdown menu that appears.

Follow these steps for embedding a video from YouTube using embed code:

1. Find the video you want to download on the YouTube site.
2. Copy its **Embed** HTML code from the box on the bottom.

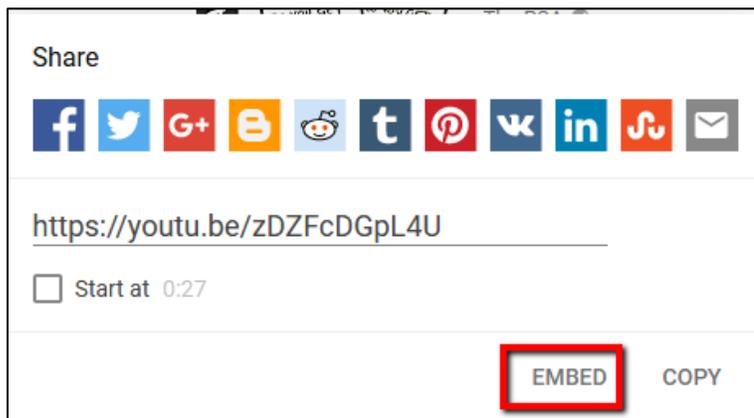
Be sure to follow the steps below.

Click on the **Share** link.

Warning!!
Using **iFrame** embed code in Blackboard limits your edit functionality and could create technical blackboard issues such as not being able to delete items in a Blackboard content area.

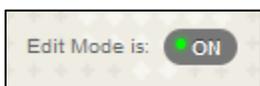


Click on the **Embed** link.

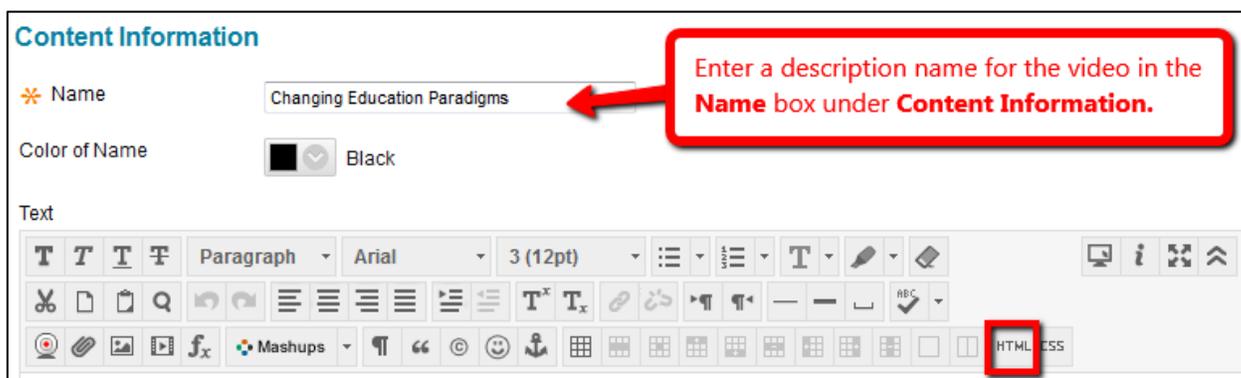
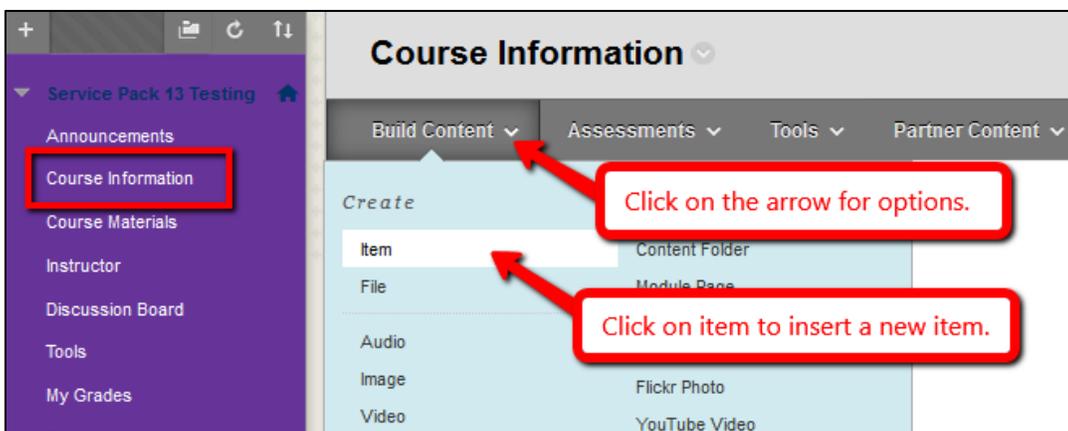


Select and copy the code to use in Blackboard.

- In Blackboard, make sure that the **Edit Mode** of your Blackboard course is “**ON**”.

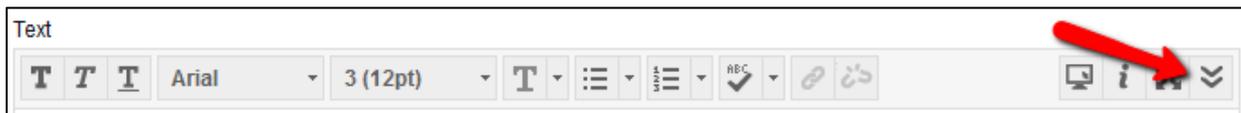


- Go to the content area of the Blackboard course site where you want to embed the video. (In our example, the content area chosen is **Course Information**. Click on **Build Content** for options and then click on **Item** located under the **Create** column.

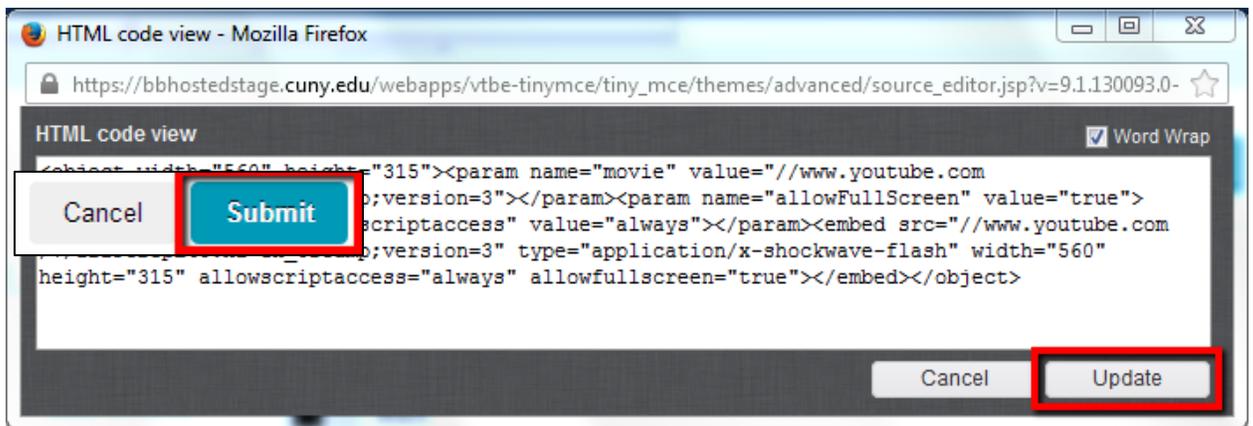


- Enter a descriptive name for the video and click on the **HTML** icon () on the editing tool bar.

If the editing tool bar does not appear and the arrow in front of the row of tools is pointing down, click on the arrow once.



6. A pop-up window will appear. Paste the embed HTML code and click on **Update**.



7. Scroll down and click on the **Submit** button.

If you have further questions, faculty members can email bb@hunter.cuny.edu or contact the [Technology Resource Center](#) at 212-650-3358 and students can contact the Student Help Desk at (212) 650-EMAIL (3624) or studenthelpdesk@hunter.cuny.edu.