Link Checker

The **Link Checker** tool can be used to validate all the external links in your Blackboard course site to ensure that there are web pages associated with the listed URLs. The **Link Checker** will display all broken links so that you can modify or delete them. Since external web sites can be deleted or moved without your knowledge, we recommend running the **Link Checker** periodically to keep your links up to date.

To use the **Link Checker** tool, follow the instructions below:

1. Login to your Blackboard course site and go to the **Control Panel**.
2. Click on **Course Tools** and then **Link Checker**.
3. The Link Checker will automatically begin checking all the external links in your course site, listing each link and where in the course site it is located. If a link is valid, Link Checker places a green check mark in the Valid column. If a link is no longer valid, a red cross appears in the Valid column.

If an invalid link is encountered, you can hide the link by checking the Hide check box, or you can modify the link by clicking on the Location link to navigate directly to the content area within Blackboard with the broken link. Hiding the link does not remove it from the content area. The tool just makes the link unavailable to students.

4. Click the Submit button to save any changes. Click the Cancel button to return go back.

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.