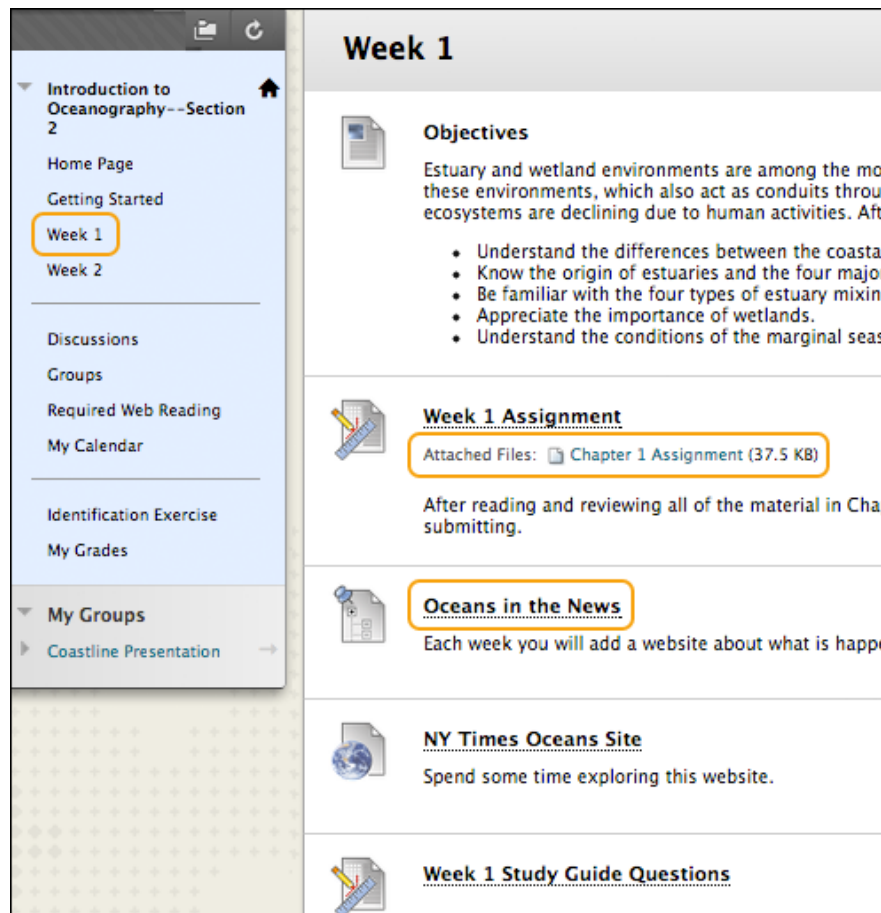


How to View Content Areas in a Course

A content area can contain multiple components. For example, an instructor may create a content area containing a week's worth of course material, such as readings, assignments, a discussion forum link, and a web link.

Your instructor or your institution creates the names of the areas in a course, which may differ from the names referenced in this section. The content area names can also change course by course within your institution

About Content Areas



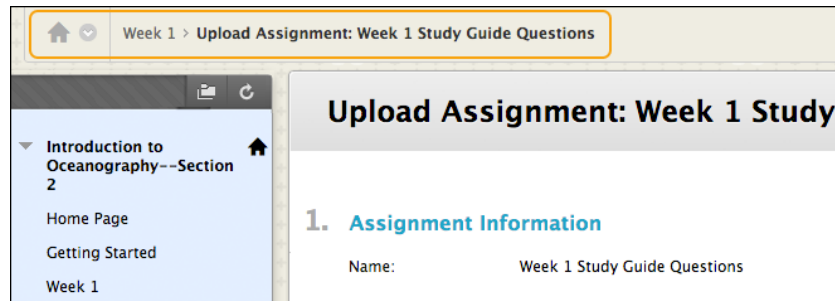
The screenshot shows a course interface with a sidebar menu on the left and a main content area on the right. The sidebar menu includes options like 'Introduction to Oceanography--Section 2', 'Home Page', 'Getting Started', 'Week 1', 'Week 2', 'Discussions', 'Groups', 'Required Web Reading', 'My Calendar', 'Identification Exercise', 'My Grades', 'My Groups', and 'Coastline Presentation'. The 'Week 1' option is highlighted. The main content area is titled 'Week 1' and contains several sections: 'Objectives' with a list of bullet points, 'Week 1 Assignment' with an attached file 'Chapter 1 Assignment (37.5 KB)', 'Oceans in the News', 'NY Times Oceans Site', and 'Week 1 Study Guide Questions'.

To navigate content areas:

- On the course menu, click the name of the content area. The content appears in the content frame.
- In the content frame, click a link to access content, such as a file link or a discussion board forum link.

Orientation Bar

As you view items and links in a content area, use the orientation bar to navigate to previous pages or the course entry page—click the house icon to access it. Use the orientation bar when you can, and not the browser back button, to navigate back.



Content Area Organization

Click the link on the course menu to access a content area item. In the content frame, click a link to a content item such as a lecture or a test. The item opens in the content frame.

Learning Modules

Learning modules are containers for packaging and presenting course content. Learning modules have a table of contents where your instructor organizes the presentation of content. All types of content, such as items, assignments, and tests can appear in a learning module.