

BLACKBOARD ANALYTICS

What Data Can Blackboard Provide Us With?



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What Can We Answer?

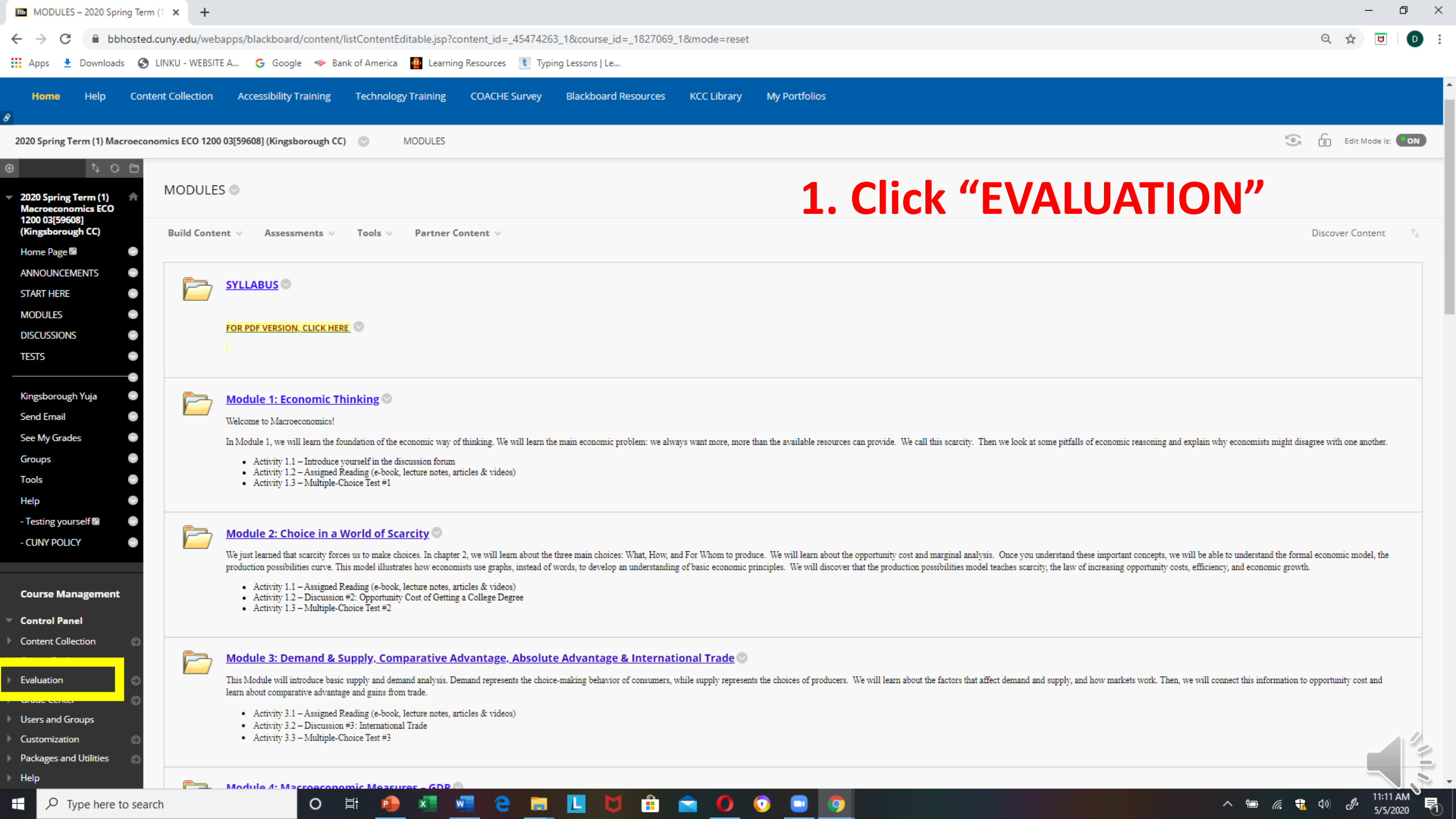
- How to identify students at risk?
- What do students access frequently?
- Which days or hours do students do most of the work?
- How much time do students spend in Blackboard?
- Which Discussion Forums are the most “successful” ones?



RETENTION CENTER

How to identify students at risk?





1. Click "EVALUATION"

MODULES

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SYLLABUS

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Module 1: Economic Thinking

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- Activity 3.1 – Assigned Reading (e-book, lecture notes, articles & videos)
- Activity 3.2 – Discussion #3: International Trade
- Activity 3.3 – Multiple-Choice Test #3

Module 4: Macroeconomic Measures – GDP

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5. You can send student a generic or custom email

Send Notification

Compose a personalized notification message to one or more users. When you select more than one user to receive a notification, the To field in the message becomes the name of the course so users are not aware of others who receive the same message. If notifications bounce (were sent to an invalid email address), the sender will receive an email notice. [More Help](#)

EMAIL INFORMATION

To:

Additional Recipients (bcc):

From: Dorina Tila

Subject: KCC01_ECO_1200_03_1202_1/2020 Spring Term (1) Macroe

Message

Rich text editor toolbar with options for Paragraph, Arial, 3 (12pt), Bold, Italic, Underline, Text Color, Background Color, Bulleted List, Numbered List, Indent, Outdent, Undo, Redo, Link, Unlink, Image, Table, HTML, and CSS.

Your activity and performance levels have triggered an alert from this course. Please contact your instructor for details.

Path: p Words:18

Include list of recipients
A copy of this email will be sent to the sender.

Attachments [Attach a file](#)

Click **Submit** to proceed.

Cancel Submit

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The screenshot shows the Blackboard 'Run Reports' interface. The browser address bar indicates the URL: `bbhosted.cuny.edu/webapps/blackboard/execute/reporting/runReport?report_def_id=_78_1&nav_bridge=cp_course_statistics&course_id=_1827069_1&report_type=course.statistics`. The left sidebar shows the course navigation menu for '2020 Spring Term (1) Macroeconomics ECO 1200 03[59608] (Kingsborough CC)'. The main content area is titled 'Run Reports' and contains the following sections:

- REPORT INFORMATION**
 - Name: All User Activity inside Content Areas
 - Description: This report displays a summary of all user activity inside Content Areas for the course.
 - Elapsed Time of Last Run: 2 days, 6 hours, 27 minutes, 24.022 seconds
- REPORT SPECIFICATIONS**
 - Select Format: PDF (dropdown menu)
 - Select a Start Date: 05/06/2020 (calendar icon)
 - Select an End Date: 05/07/2020 (calendar icon)
 - Select Users: (empty selection box)

Instructions at the bottom of the form state: 'Click **Submit** to run this report. Click **Cancel** to quit.'



Course Reports

All user activity inside content areas

1. Select the type of file [Excel]

2. Select the time period

3. Select students [de-select yourself]

4. Download report

The screenshot shows the 'Run Reports' page in Blackboard. The left sidebar contains navigation options for the '2020 Spring Term (1) Macroeconomics ECO 1200 03[59608] (Kingsborough CC)'. The main content area is titled 'Run Reports' and includes a 'REPORT INFORMATION' section with details about the report name, description, and elapsed time. Below this is the 'REPORT SPECIFICATIONS' section, which is highlighted with a yellow box. It contains a 'Select Format' dropdown menu set to 'Excel', a 'Select a Start Date' field with a calendar icon and the date '04/01/2020', and a 'Select an End Date' field with a calendar icon and the date '05/07/2020'. A 'Select Users' dropdown menu is also highlighted with a yellow box. At the bottom right of the form, there are 'Cancel' and 'Submit' buttons. The interface also includes a 'Home Page' link and a 'Course Management' sidebar with various tools and reports.



Course Reports

All user activity inside content areas

Successful Run: All User Activity inside Content Areas

4. Download Report

Save to Content Collection
Save this report to the Content Collection.

Download Report
Save the file containing the report data to a local system.

Run a new Report
Run the report again using different report criteria.

← OK



Course Reports

All user activity inside content areas

All User Activity inside Content Areas

Access / Content		
Folder	Hits	Percent
- CUNY POLICY	0	0.00%
- Testing yourself	0	0.00%
MODULES	213	38.24%
START HERE	15	2.69%
TESTS	329	59.07%
	557	

Chart does not appear

38% of clicks relates to Modules (Lectures, Videos, Reading Material)

59% of clicks relates to Assignments

3% of clicks relates to START button

STUDENTS	- CUNY	- Testing	MODULE	START	TESTS	Total
	0	0	5	0	12	17
	0	0	0	0	0	0
	0	0	0	0	59	59
	0	0	30	1	14	45
	0	0	1	0	5	6
	0	0	2	0	1	3
	0	0	46	4	68	118
	0	0	0	2	8	10



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1. Select the time period

2. Submit

3. Download Report

Run Reports

* Indicates a required field.

REPORT INFORMATION

Name Course Activity Overview

Description Course Activity Overview displays overall activity within a given course, semester, student, or class. Data includes content and user activity per active student and the total amount of course. Optionally, you can filter the report by one or more groups.

Elapsed Time of Last Run 7.337 seconds

REPORT SPECIFICATIONS

All report types will open in a new browser window upon Submit.

* Select a Start Date 04/01/2020
Enter dates as mm/dd/yyyy

* Select an End Date 05/08/2020
Enter dates as mm/dd/yyyy

Select Groups None

Click Submit to run this report. Click Cancel to quit.

Course activity overview

Students seem to work mostly during Tues – Wed

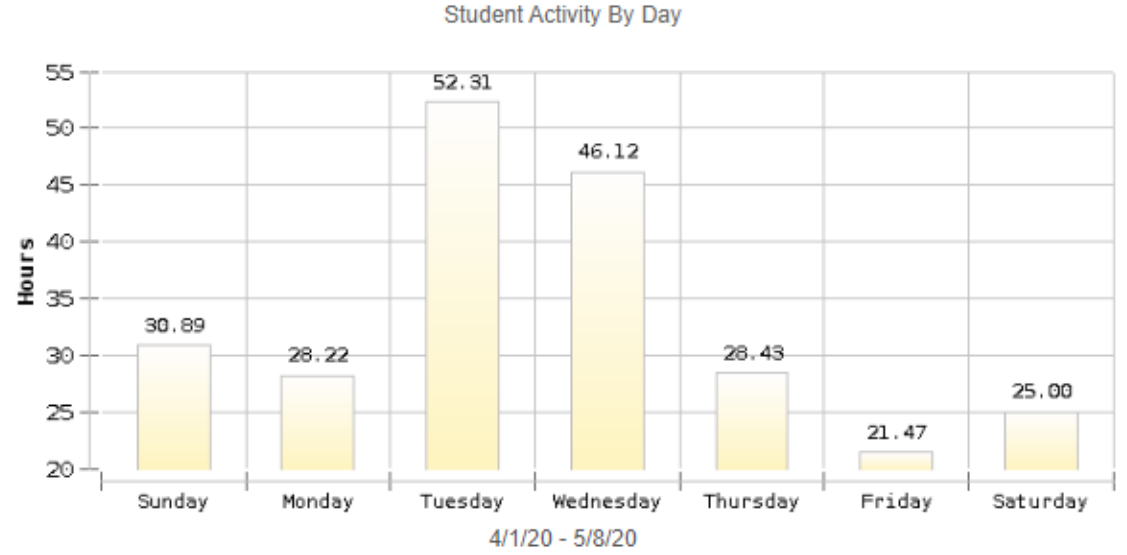
Average Time Per Active Student 8.94 hours

Course Activity Overview

Course Name	2020 Spring Term (1) Macroeconomics ECO 1200 03[59608] (Kingsborough CC)	Report Options
Course ID	KCC01_ECO_1200_03_1202_1	Printable View
Number of Students	30	Download to Excel
Number of Active Students	26	
Date Range	4/1/20 - 5/8/20	

Activity for all enrolled students.

Course Overview



Total Time in Course	232.44
Average Time Per Active Student	8.94

Student Overview (30 Students)

Click a bar to view a student's individual activity.

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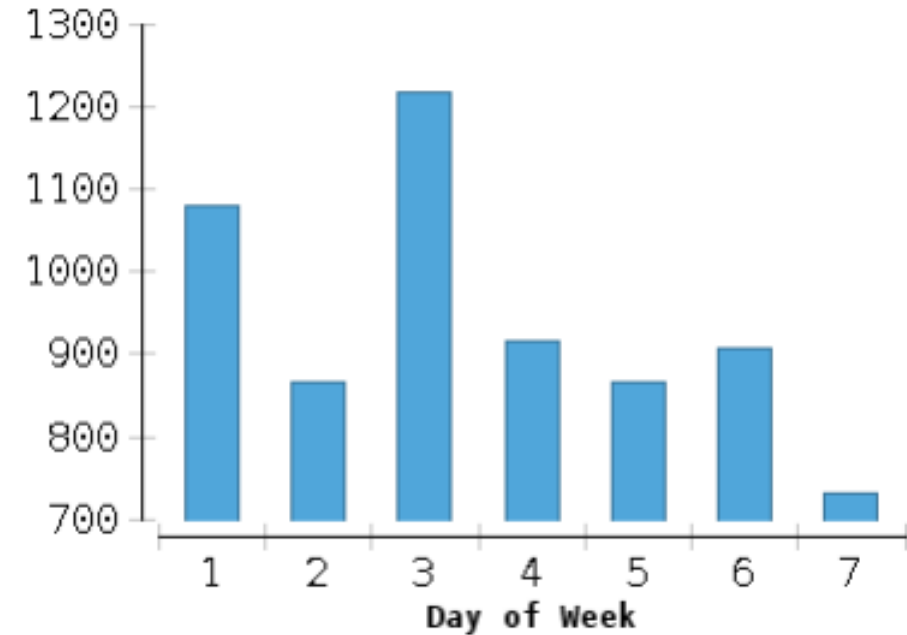
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Overall summary of user activity

Access / Day of Week

Day of Week	Hits	Percent
SUN	1078	16.39%
MON	866	13.16%
TUE	1216	18.48%
WED	915	13.91%
THU	866	13.16%
FRI	906	13.77%
SAT	732	11.13%
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Busiest study days: Sunday & Wednesday

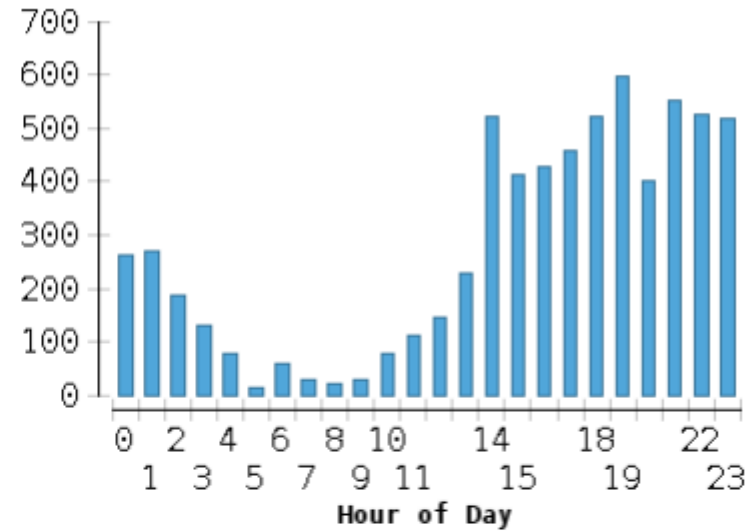


Overall summary of user activity

Access / Hour of Day

Hour of Day	Hits	Percent
0	261	3.97%
1	270	4.10%
2	186	2.83%
3	131	1.99%
4	78	1.19%
5	15	0.23%
6	61	0.93%
7	28	0.43%
8	23	0.35%
9	28	0.43%
10	79	1.20%
11	113	1.72%
12	145	2.20%
13	229	3.48%
14	521	7.92%
15	411	6.25%
16	428	6.51%
17	458	6.96%
18	522	7.93%
19	595	9.04%
20	402	6.11%
21	550	8.36%
22	527	8.01%
23	518	7.87%

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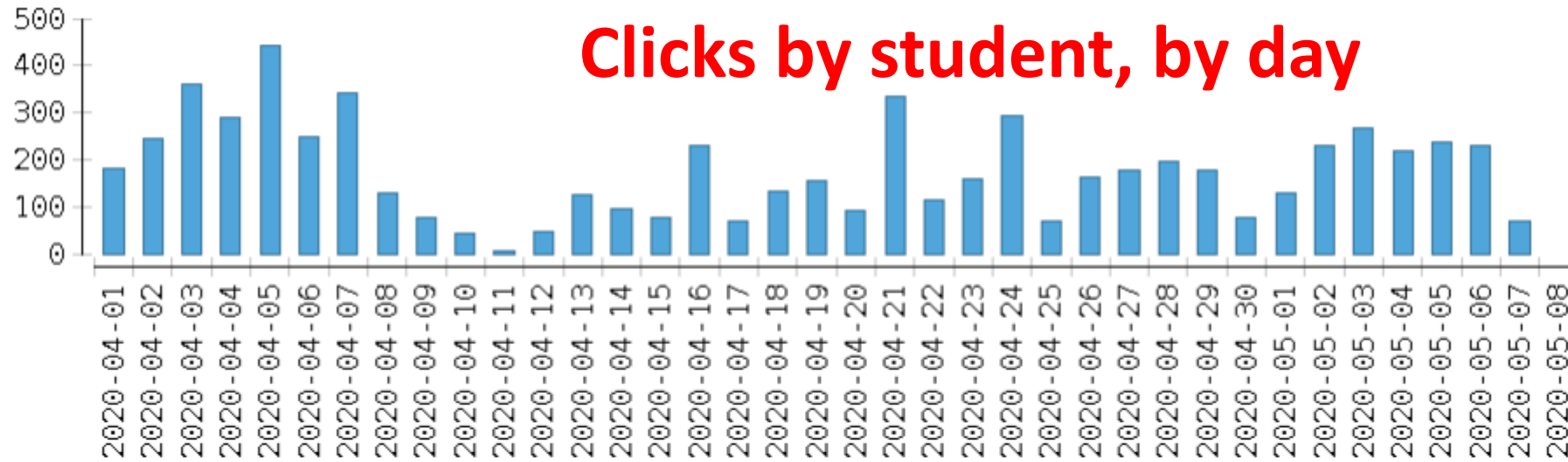


Busiest study hours 12:00pm



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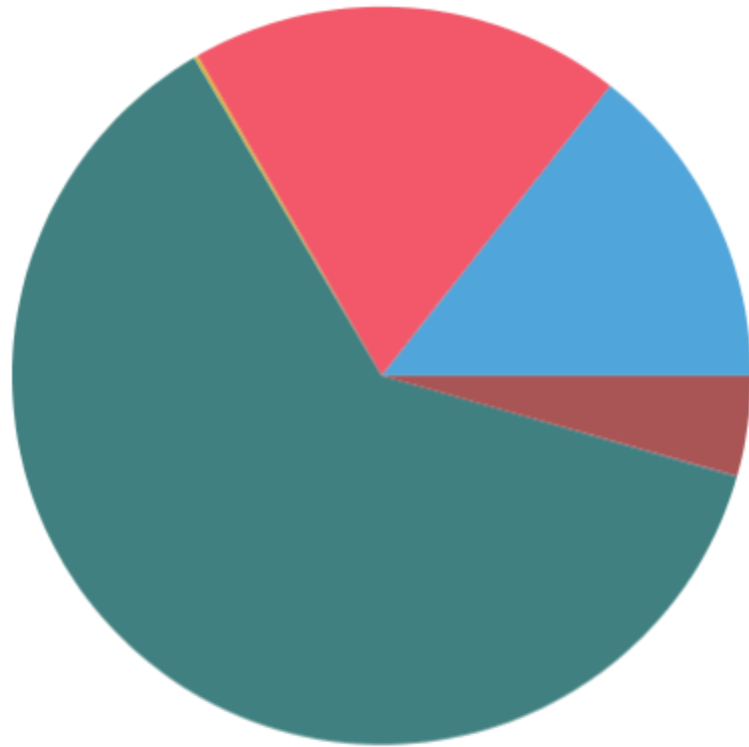
Access / Date



2020-04	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	31	Total
	5	1	0	6	54	10	23	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	15	0	7	5	0	0	41	0	0	0	167
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	24	61	19	36	62	78	6	45	0	1	0	23	12	1	0	111	4	35	2	11	1	6	0	60	17	12	51	0	0	0	0	678
	43	1	0	18	0	0	53	18	21	0	0	5	7	18	17	19	9	0	0	0	0	0	78	0	0	30	0	0	0	0	0	337
	1	6	0	0	5	0	11	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	10	5	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	10	0	49
	0	0	5	0	0	6	28	0	0	0	0	0	0	9	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	15	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	65
	49	24	78	110	81	27	26	20	36	4	0	0	55	7	2	2	13	3	61	1	24	16	52	43	1	56	73	32	0	29	0	925



Overall summary of user activity



- announcements
- content
- course_email
- course_tools_area
- discussion_board
- groups
- student_gradebook

announcements	678	14.38%
content	892	18.92%
discussion_board	2929	62.12%
student_gradebook	207	4.39%

**Data is cumulative or
Segregated by days/weeks/**



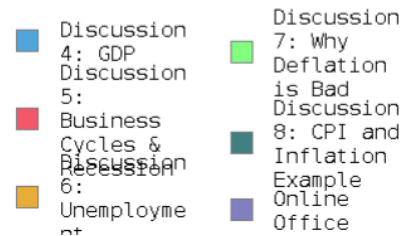
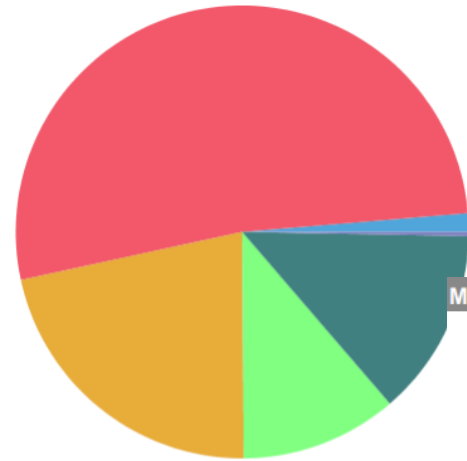
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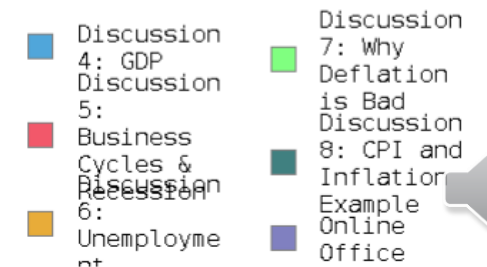


User Activity Forums – DISCUSSION FORUMS ONLY

Access / Forum	Hits	Percent
Discussion 10: Money Creation	0	0.00%
Discussion 1: Introduction & Your Thoughts on Economics	0	0.00%
Discussion 2: Opportunity Cost	0	0.00%
Discussion 3: International Trade	0	0.00%
Discussion 4: GDP	23	1.46%
Discussion 5: Business Cycles & Recession	657	41.82%
Discussion 6: Unemployment	415	26.42%
Discussion 7: Why Deflation is Bad	226	14.39%
Discussion 8: CPI and Inflation Example	242	15.40%
Discussion 9: Game of Theories [Keynesian vs. Austrian]	0	0.00%
HEC Extra Reading & Discussion: Economic System	0	0.00%
Online Office	8	0.51%
Total	1571	



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Discussion 5: Business Cycles & Recession	41	25.47%
Discussion 6: Unemployment	47	29.19%
Discussion 7: Why Deflation is Bad	29	18.01%
Discussion 8: CPI and Inflation Example	22	13.66%
Discussion 9: Game of Theories [Keynesian vs. Austrian]	0	0.00%
HEC Extra Reading & Discussion: Economic System	0	0.00%
Online Office	1	0.62%
Total	161	

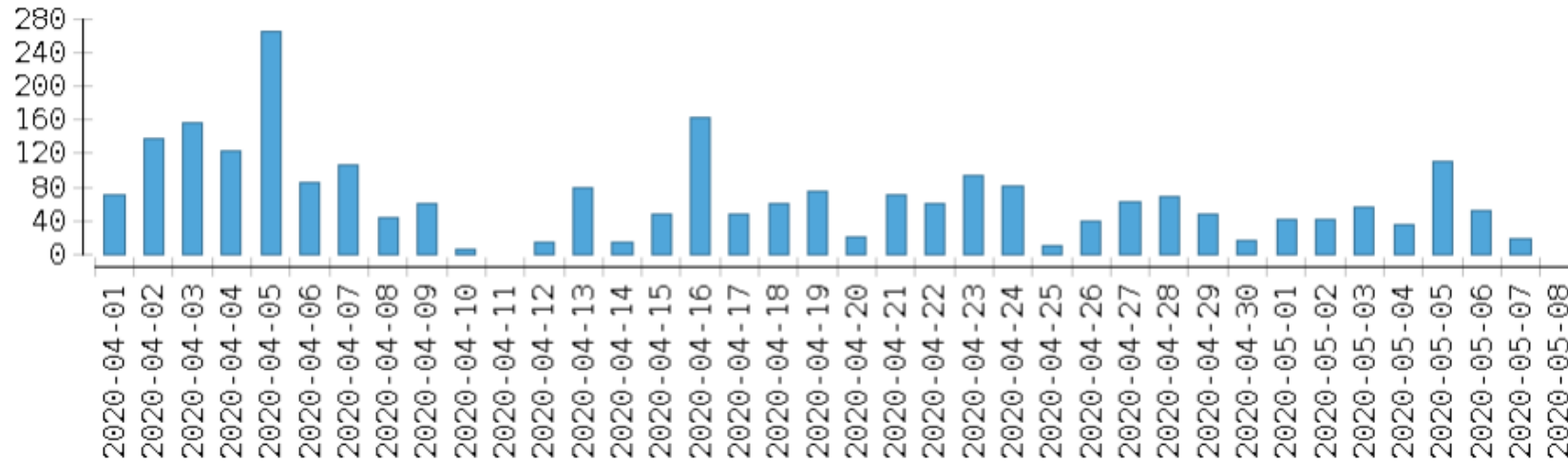


Date restricted April 1 – May 8
This is why Discussion 1,2,3 show 0



User Activity Forums – DISCUSSION FORUMS ONLY

Access / Date



Discussion activity each day

Date	Hits	Percent
2020-04-01	72	2.90%
2020-04-02	138	5.55%
2020-04-03	156	6.27%
2020-04-04	122	4.91%
2020-04-05	265	10.66%
2020-04-06	85	3.42%
2020-04-07	106	4.26%
2020-04-08	44	1.77%
2020-04-09	60	2.41%
2020-04-10	7	0.28%
2020-04-11	0	0.00%
2020-04-12	15	0.60%
2020-04-13	79	3.18%





Please submit your question

<https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1kyBtvfUn7-Hwdmf2fnmOJbOGnHWgd-iLY82l9CSTeg8/edit#gid=0>

