

VASSAR moodle

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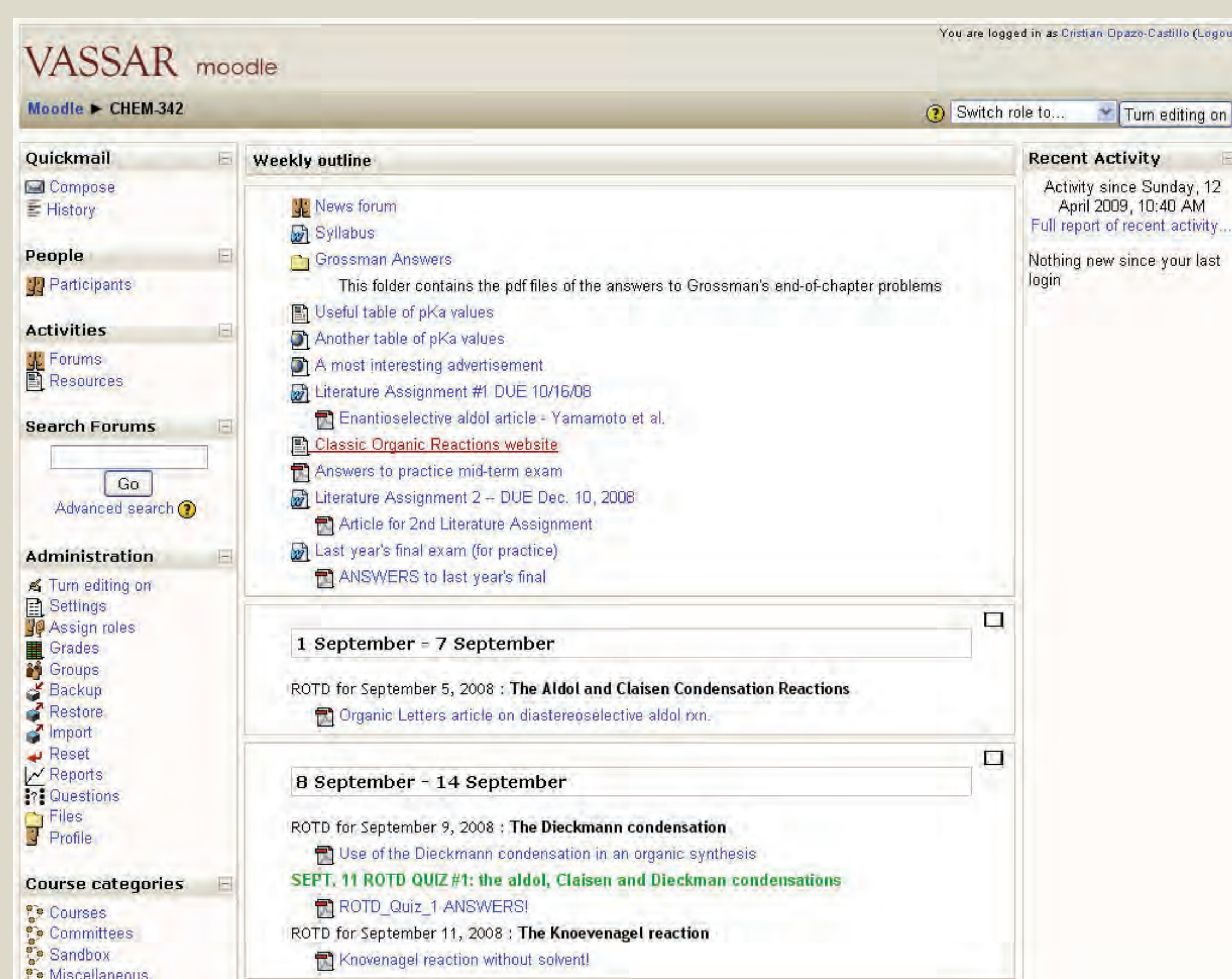
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What is Moodle?

Moodle is an open source course management system used by an increasing number of higher education institutions around the world and renowned for its flexibility and customizability.

Useful Header Area

Header area can be used for most important items that will be needed throughout the semester; it can include folders and external links. Related items can be easily indented to denote dependencies.



Weekly outline template works great as a "live syllabus" on the course's front page. Text entries can be easily formatted with fonts and colors, so students can recognize important items at a glance (e.g. due dates in bold red, hints in green, readings in blue, etc.)

Easy To Send Email

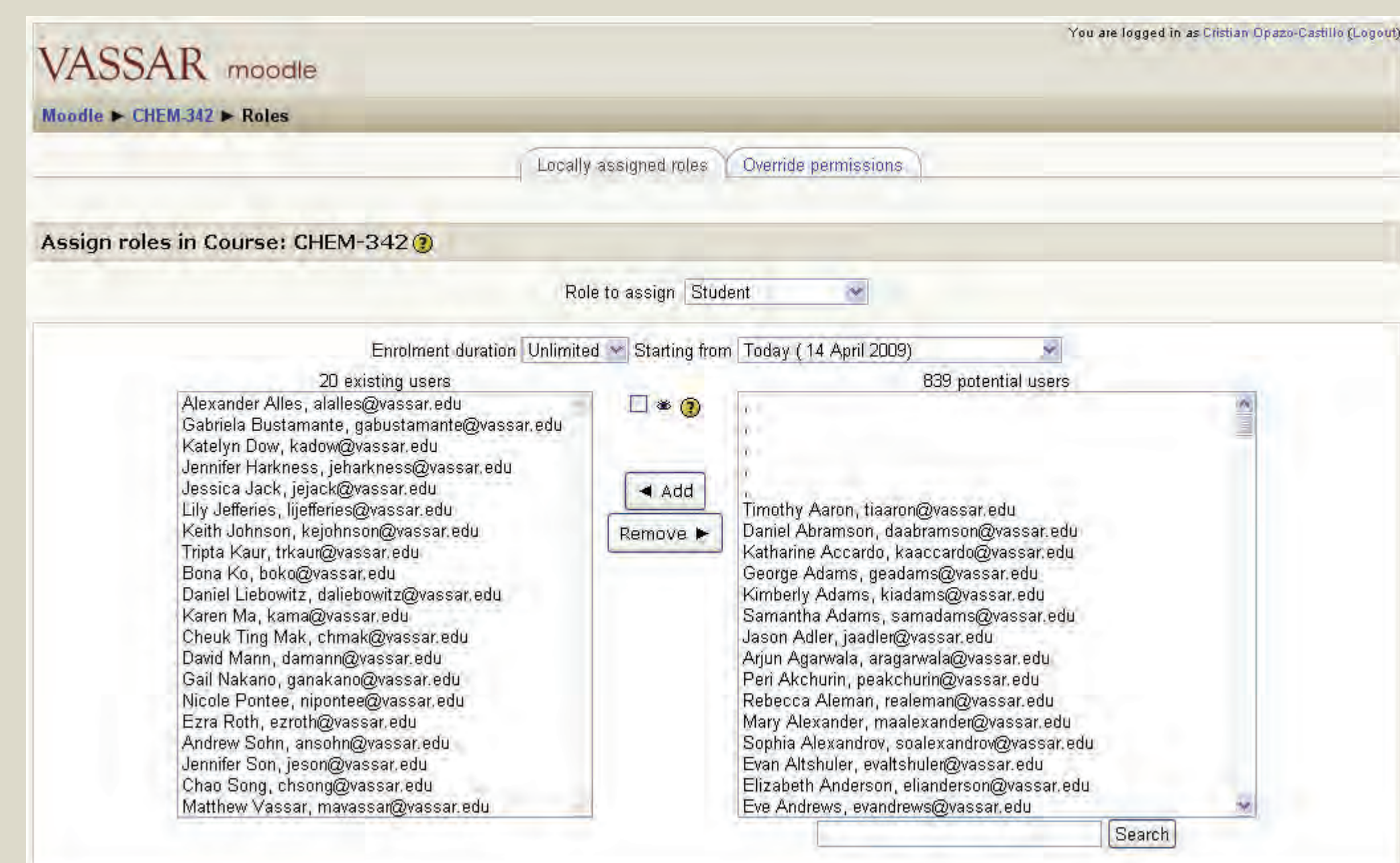
Send mail feature is better and easier to use than Blackboard's: it includes a WYSIWYG editor and a full, comprehensive list of potential recipients. Additionally, it archives sent mail so it can be easily searched

Moodle at Vassar College

A group of Vassar faculty has been investigating Moodle as an alternative to Blackboard. The faculty pilot testers unanimously found it to be a better alternative to Blackboard and have recommended a campus-wide switch to Moodle.

Simplified User Management

It is very easy to add or remove students from a course; both functionalities are available on same page; much less clicks than in Blackboard are needed!



Switch User To...

A top-level, ever present pulldown menu allows for quick switching between user roles (e.g. from faculty view to student view), so you can easily make sure your content looks as you want to

