

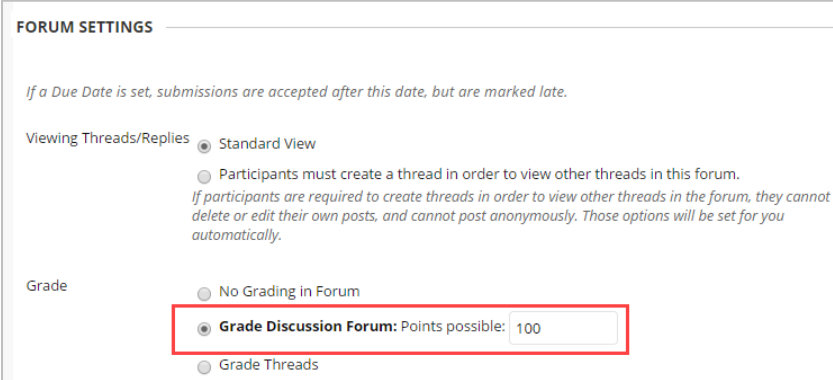
# NEEDS GRADING STATUS

Do you require your students to make more than one post in a discussion forum? If you use the Needs Grading function, there is an option to change the discussion forum settings to show the *needs grading* status icon 🟡 in the Grade Center after students have posted the required number of times. Students who have posted in the forum, but have not yet reached the required number of posts show as *in progress* 🟦. This option is only available when discussion boards are set up to be graded.

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## Instructions

1. When setting up a new discussion board forum, select the button next to **Grade Discussion Forum** when determining the settings.



**FORUM SETTINGS**

*If a Due Date is set, submissions are accepted after this date, but are marked late.*

Viewing Threads/Replies  Standard View

Participants must create a thread in order to view other threads in this forum.  
*If participants are required to create threads in order to view other threads in the forum, they cannot delete or edit their own posts, and cannot post anonymously. Those options will be set for you automatically.*

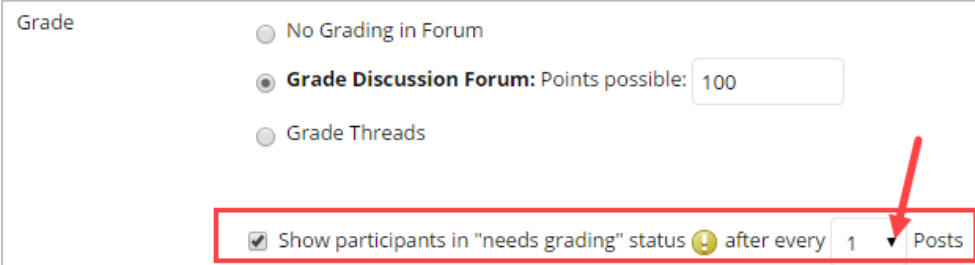
Grade

No Grading in Forum

**Grade Discussion Forum:** Points possible: 100

Grade Threads

2. Check the box next to **Show participants in "needs grading" status**. Choose how many posts you want the students to make (new threads and replies count) before the yellow exclamation 🟡 appears in the grade center column.



Grade

No Grading in Forum

**Grade Discussion Forum:** Points possible: 100

Grade Threads

Show participants in "needs grading" status 🟡 after every 1 Posts

3. In the grade center, once students have participated, but before the student reaches the required number of posts, you will see the **In Progress** icon 🟦. Once the student makes the required number of posts, the **Needs Grading** icon 🟡 appears.

