

Blackboard makes it easy for you to add YouTube videos, Flickr images and Slideshare presentations (via Mashups) as well as other multimedia resources such as videos, webcam recordings, Twitter feeds and Google Forms to your Blackboard courses (via HTML embed code)

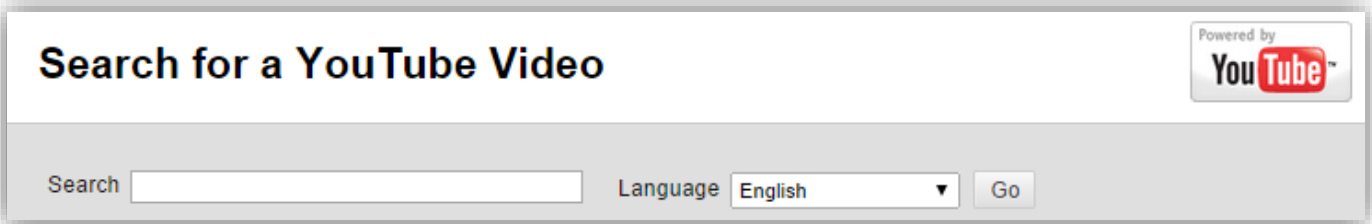
Log into Blackboard at
<https://blackboard.itcarlow.ie>

Mashups

Via the Mashup feature you can easily search YouTube from within Blackboard and then add a video – you can also quickly add images from Flickr and presentations from SlideShare. In any content area, select **Build Content** and choose **YouTube Video** in the *Mashups* section. You can then search YouTube for a video, preview & select a video, and share as *Thumbnail* (video plays in a pop-up window) or *Embed Video* (video plays within Blackboard page). See [how-to video](#).

Mashups

Flickr Photo
SlideShare Presentation
YouTube Video



Search for a YouTube Video

Search Language English Go

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Note that Mashups can also be added directly to *Announcements* or other content items via the **Content Editor** – just click on the *Mashups* drop-down button (as circled below).

Tip: When adding a video, give clear instructions to students about what you expect them to do – simply to watch it, specifically to watch it before class and be prepared to discuss, answer specific questions ...

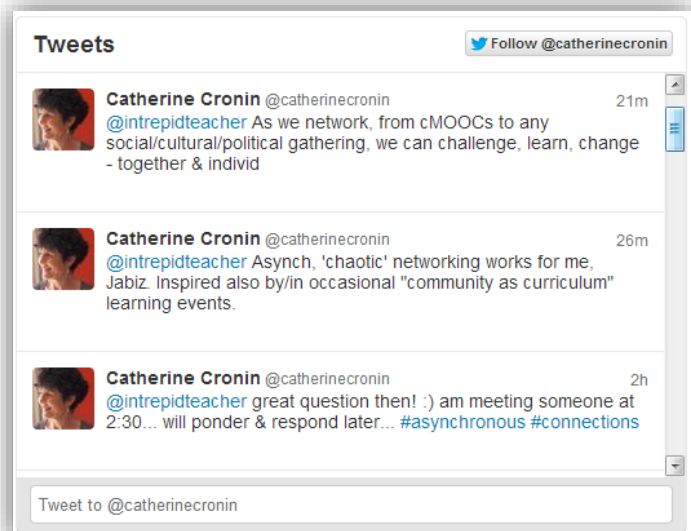
Embedding multimedia using HTML

Blackboard has a substantial **Content Editor** (below) that enables you to format your text, add multimedia and much more (see [help](#) and [2-minute overview video](#)).



Blackboard has a handy feature for you to directly work with the HTML code for any content item. At the bottom right, the **HTML** button allows you to directly work with the HTML for the content item. Into the HTML Code View, you can paste the Embed code for videos (from YouTube, HEAnet, Google Drive, One Drive, Screenr, Vimeo, ...), for a Twitter feed, for a Google Form and more.

Note you can embed videos that you have stored on [HEAnet Media Hosting Service](#) (login using your IT Carlow credentials).



Embedded Twitter feed

Example: embedding a Twitter feed

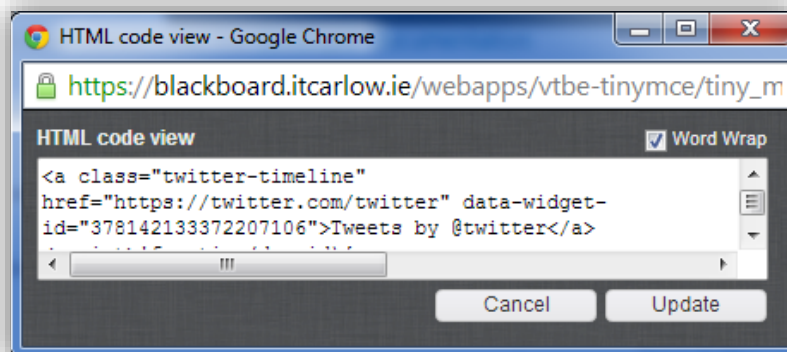
Go to [Twitter.com](https://twitter.com) and log in to your account. Go to your **Settings**



Go to **Widgets** and click **Create New**.

You can add any public Twitter timeline to your Blackboard course. Simply select your timeline source, options, and then click on **Create Widget**. Copy the HTML embed code from the text box on the bottom right.

In any content area in your Blackboard course, choose **Item** in **Build Content**. Enter an appropriate Name and then click on the **HTML** button in the Content Editor. Paste in the HTML embed code and click **Update**. The Twitter feed appears as a hyperlink. Click on **Submit**. To view the embedded Twitter feed, turn editing off and the Twitter feed should be displayed.



Example: embedding a Google Form

Go to your Google Drive account. Select the form that you wish to embed. From the **Form** menu, choose **Embed form in a web page...** and copy the HTML embed code. As above, in a content item in your Blackboard course, paste the HTML embed code into the HTML code view. The Google Form should be displayed within your Blackboard course.

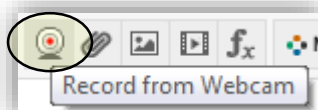
Example: embedding a video from Google Drive

In your Google Drive account, share the video and get the embed code. As above, in a content item in your Blackboard course, paste the HTML embed code into the HTML code view. (See [detailed instructions](#).)

Embedded Google Form

Video Everywhere

Video Everywhere is a new feature in the **Content Editor** that controls a user's webcam.



When activated, users can record video and upload it directly to YouTube (you need a YouTube account). The feature provides the ability for lecturers and students to record a video on the fly using a webcam and have it seamlessly embedded in course materials, interactions, and feedback through the content editor. View a [short overview video](#) or [help](#). Video Everywhere also allows you to reuse previously recorded videos by choosing from one's own "library" of videos. This also enables you to including any of your videos that are not listed on your YouTube channel.

For help and to learn more go to the *Blackboard Support* course in Blackboard for useful videos, handouts and links

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