# Understanding Moodle Grading Aggregation Methods

Most courses will use the Natural or Weighted Mean aggregation methods. Below is an explanation of when to use these methods.

# **Weighted Mean Aggregation method**

If your syllabus looks like this, use weighted mean of grades:

# **GRADING AND ASSIGNMENTS:**

| Grading Criteria: | Quizzes (lowest 5 dropped) | 50% |
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|                   |                            |     |

Active Learning Participation Projects (lowest 3 dropped) 45%

Attendance (dropping 3 absences) \_\_\_\_\_\_5%

TOTAL 100%

In other words, your assignments are grouped into categories that are worth a certain percentage of the overall grade.

### **Natural Aggregation Method**

If your syllabus looks like this, use the natural aggregation method:

### GRADING AND ASSIGNMENTS:

| Grading Criteria: | Exam 1 | 100 pts |
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|                   |        |         |

Exam 2 100 pts

Paper <u>100 pts</u>

TOTAL 300 pts

In other words, your assignments are worth a certain number of points and the overall grade is calculated by dividing the points earned by the points available.