## 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\%
Active Learning Participation Projects (lowest 3 dropped) 45\%
Attendance (dropping 3 absences) $\qquad$
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
Exam 2
100 pts
Exam 2
100 pts
Paper
100 pts
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.

