How to use the Blackboard mobile app.



Please note: The current Blackboard mobile app (Version 5.0.0) is no longer supported as a new app is in development.

This help guide explains how to download the App, sign in and some of the features that are available. The look and feel of the App does not match exactly the Blackboard website, the terminology is different and some of features that exist on the mobile site are not present either.

The biggest advantages of using the App is that it can download the learning materials to be available offline and it has push notifications. Downloading content for offline viewing can take up a lot of space on your phone and it does this by default, this is so you can access your content later without using any of your mobile data or needing to be on a wireless network.

Downloading the App

The app is available for both Android and iOS from the Google Play store and the App store. Search for **Blackboard** and look for the blue icon with the pencil displayed below:





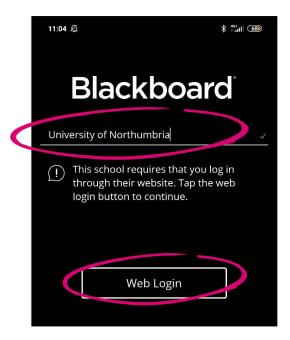


Signing into the App

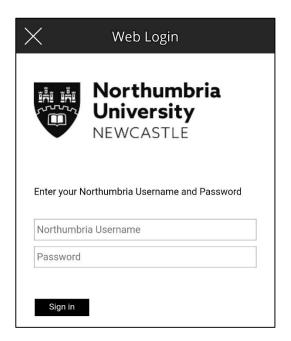
After you have launched the App you will be presented with a screen to enter the name of your school.

Type in **University of Northumbria**. This will then appear, select it.

This will present you with a **Web Login** button, press this and you will be taken to the University sign in page.



2 Sign in using your university computer username and password.



Navigating the App

1 When you first login to the App you will enter on the Activity Stream tab.

Your **Activity Stream** has all the most recent content available on modules that you are taking.

To access other areas of the App, open the menu in the top left corner.



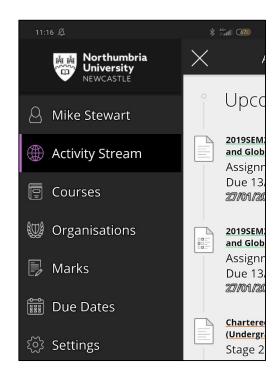
If you open the menu in the top left corner of you App window, you will be presented with the side menu.

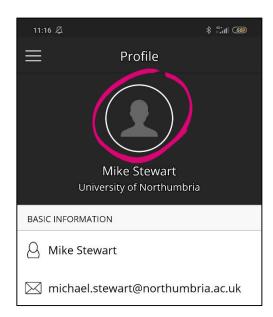
Each option will be explained below.

3 Profile page (Your name)

This is where you can upload an existing photo or take a new one. Click in the silhouette to do this.

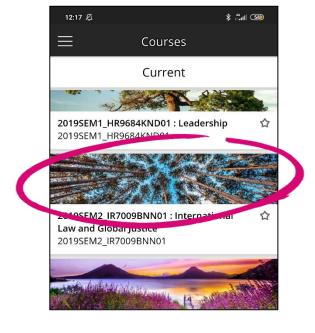
Your profile picture will follow you around on all of your Modules, Programmes & Organisations on Blackboard and will be visible to students and staff on those sites.





4 Courses

This is your **Modules & Programmes** space on the App. You will see all the Modules & Programmes you are taking on this page and be able to access the content inside them here.



Opening a module will display the module menu where you can access the following:

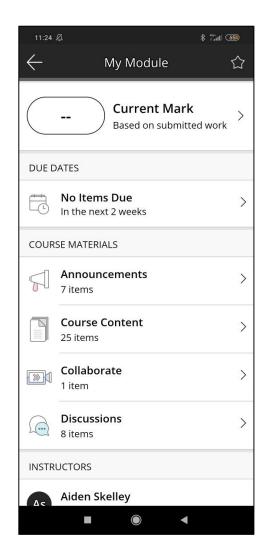
Due Dates- Please refer to your tutors or module handbooks for assessment due dates. As not all due dates display here.

Course Content-

These are your learning materials that have been uploaded by your tutor.

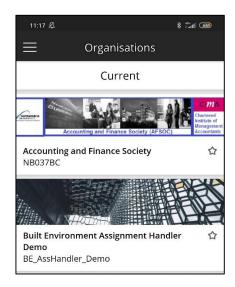
Collaborate- This is where you can access your virtual classroom.

Discussions- This is where any active discussions will be visible.



5 Organisations

This is similar to the courses area, except it relates to any Organisations you are enrolled on.



6 Marks

This is your

Gradebook area
where you can view
your marks and
feedback that have
been made available
to you via
Blackboard.

Opening one of the modules will show all online assessments that are part of the module where results are available.

