

Unit Topic: Email

Introduction

The Email tool in DC Connect is used to communicate with your students, either individually or in bulk.

NOTE: The Email tool is configured to be *send-only* email, which means that you can send messages, but all further email correspondence will take place in Outlook (for faculty) and DC Mail (for students).

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Accessing the Email Tool

The Email tool may be accessed by several different methods, and your experience may be slightly different depending on how you access the Email tool.

Accessing the Email Tool from the Minibar

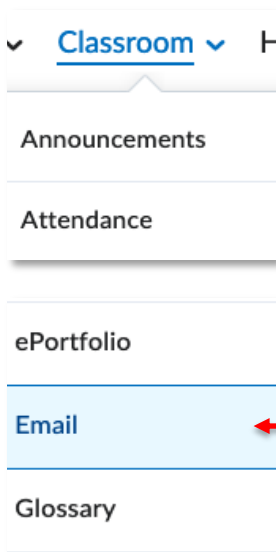
From the Minibar, you can click on the **Messages** icon near the top-right corner of the screen...



... followed by the **Go to Email** link.



Accessing the Email Tool from Within a Course



The Email tool can be accessed from within a course by selecting the **Classroom** option on the Navbar, then clicking **Email**.

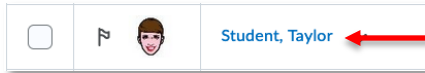
This is the recommended way to access the Email tool, as the Address Book will automatically filter the list of students to match the students in your class.

Accessing the Email Tool from Links and Icons

The Email Tool can also be activated by clicking on links or icons within several other DC Connect tools.

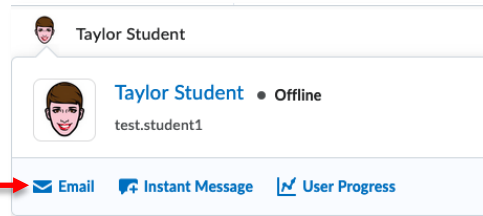
Selecting students from your class list and clicking the **Email** link.





Clicking on a student's name in the class list or folder submissions of the Assignments tool.

Clicking on the envelope icon in the Evaluate view of an Assignment (mouse over the student portrait to display).



Adjusting Email Settings

You can adjust some settings related to DC Connect settings by clicking on **Settings** in the DC Connect Email tool. This option appears at the top-right of the screen.

Compose New Message



It is not necessary to view or adjust any of these settings, although some instructors may want to access Settings to create an Email Signature.

The settings you can adjust are as follows:

- **Send a copy of each outgoing message to** [your.name]@dcfaculty.mycampus.ca - This will route a copy of all your messages to your Outlook account, which may be useful.
- **Email Signature** - This will allow you to set up an automatic signature for all your DC Connect email. Note that this will be the same amongst all your courses, and there is no option to set up more than one signature.
- **Show internal email addresses in the Address Book** - This check box may be ignored.
- **Show external email addresses in the Address Book** - This check box must remain checked to allow you to properly email students or other faculty.

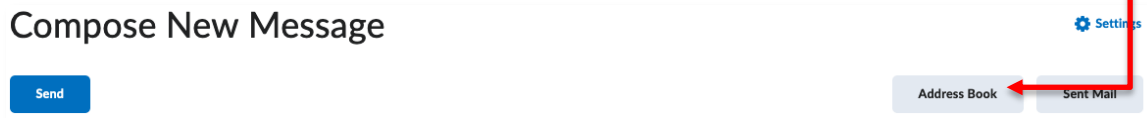
If you make any changes to your settings, make sure you click the **Save** button at the bottom of this page.

Emailing Students

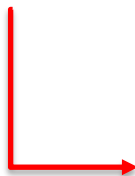
Using the Address Book

After accessing the Email tool, you will immediately be on the **Compose New Message** screen. As with any email, you must choose whom to send it to. You can manually enter email addresses on the **To:**, **Cc:**, or **Bcc:** lines, but it is best to use the Address Book. Click on the **Address Book** button to access this.

Compose New Message



If you accessed the Email tool from within a course, the **Filter By:** box will automatically be filled in with the name of your course.



Address Book

[New Contact](#)

Select one or more recipients, then click on the To, Cc, or Bcc links to add them to the Recipients area. Once you select all your recipients, click **Add Recipients** to add these recipients to your new message.

Recipients:

To:

Cc:

Bcc:

Filter By: 202243.13727-ICOM-1302-01 - INTER COMM SKILLS FOR REHAB

Folder: Address Book

Search For... [Show Search Options](#)

If not, then it most likely says “System Contacts”.



Filter By: System Contacts

Folder: Address Book

Search For... [Show Search Options](#)

The **System Contacts** filter includes *everyone* who uses DC Connect – it’s strongly recommended that you change the **Filter By:** box to match the course you are sending an email about.

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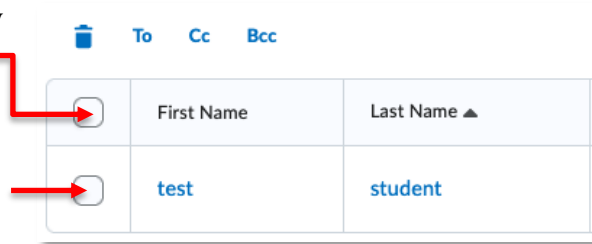
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[Add Recipients](#) [Close](#)

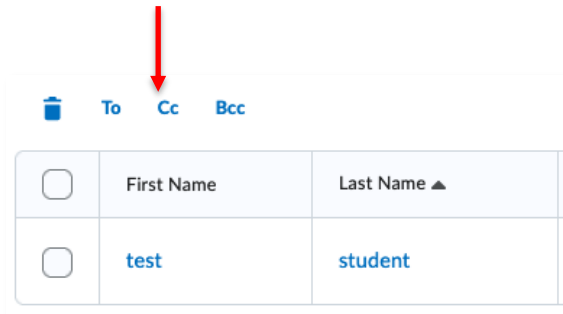
You may also want to adjust the **per page** box to **200**, to ensure that you can select all your students when you are choosing the recipients for your message.

To add to the list of recipients, you may check the box in the top left above the list of contacts to select all of them.

You can also select individuals by checking the boxes next to their names.



Once you have selected the users who you would like to send the message to, click the **To**, **Cc** or **Bcc** links to transfer their names to the desired recipient(s) field.



NOTE: If you skip this step, your message will not have any recipients!

Click the **Add Recipients** button to return to the **Compose New Message** screen.



Composing a Message

Compose New Message

Send

To "test student" <test.student1@durhamcollege.ca> x

Add CC or BCC

Subject Event reminder|

Body

Paragraph B I U A Bulleted List Numbered List Link

It is recommended that you fill out the **Subject:** box with a description of the message.

If you expect students to contact you via email, keep in mind that all emails will be routed to your Outlook. It is a good idea to ask students to include specific information in their Subject lines, like the CRN of the course they have with you. This will allow you to identify the students who contact you.

Below, you can write your message in the HTML editor. In addition to the basic text writing and formatting options, the HTML editor allows you to format your message to look a certain way, insert images, insert links, and embed video (such as YouTube).

NOTE: Further explanation of the **HTML Editor** can be found in the **HTML Editor** handout available on the CTL website.

If you would like to attach a file, click **Upload** and navigate to the file on your computer you wish to upload.

Multiple files can be added to an email using this step.

Attachments

Drop files here, or click below!

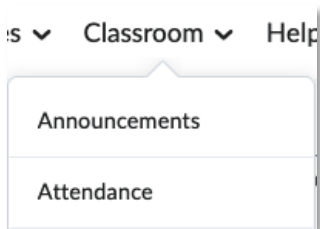
Upload Record

Choose Existing

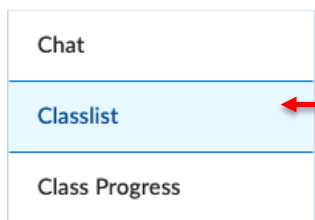
Send

Finally, click the **Send** button to send your message on its way.

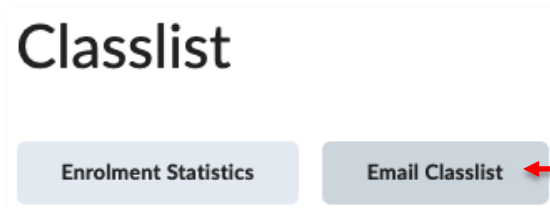
Sending A Class Wide Email



The simplest way to email your entire class is to use the Classlist.



Select the **Classlist** option from the available course navigation.



To write an email to your *entire* class, click the **Email Classlist** button at the top of the Classlist page.

Scroll to the bottom of the Email Classlist page and click the **Send Email** button.



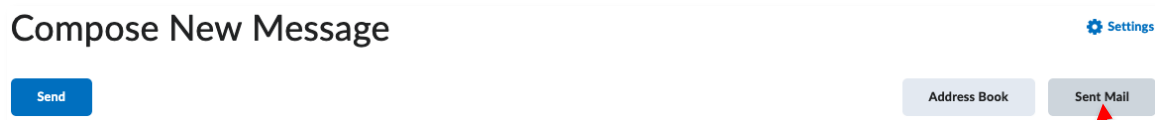
NOTE: When composing email to multiple students (or the entire class) the student email addresses are automatically input into the BCC: field.

Use the Composing a Message steps on the previous page of this document to complete your class wide email.

Viewing Your Sent Mail

A Sent Mail folder is available in the DC Connect Email tool, which can be used to verify whether something has been sent or not, and to make it easier to re-send something if needed.

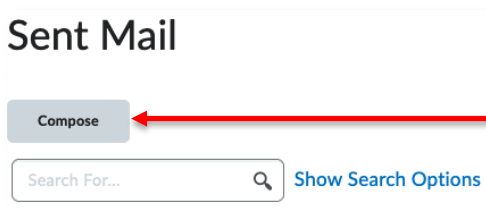
Compose New Message



At the top of the Compose New Message screen, there is a **Sent Mail** button. Clicking this will allow you to view your sent messages.

From the Sent Mail screen, you can click on the **Compose** button to return to the Compose New Message screen.

Sent Mail



You can also review your list of sent messages, and view specific messages by clicking on the **Subject** for that message.



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