# Adding Groups to Studentcentral

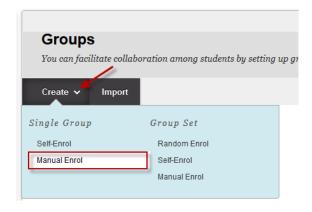
This guide covers how to add groups to a studentcentral module. This enables staff to communicate with groups individually, and also helps filter grade centre by group. This guide just covers creating groups to reflect cohorts or occurrences, but groups can also be used for:

- Creating sign up lists for events
- Creating self-enrol groups (e.g. for assessments/presentations students pick their own groups)

These processes are not covered in this guide – speak to Craig Wakefield (LTA). This guide covers creating groups and manually adding students based on lists within InfoView, e.g. Semester groupings

# Stage 1: Create a single, manual enrol group in a module area

- 1) Login to studentcentral: <a href="https://studentcentral.brighton.ac.uk/">https://studentcentral.brighton.ac.uk/</a>
- 2) Navigate to the module you wish to set up groups for
- 3) In the Control Panel, click Users & Groups > Groups
- 4) On the Groups screen, click **Create** then **Manual Enrol**



5) You are now going to create a group. The settings you need are:

Setting	Suggested Setting
Name	E.g. Sem1. Avoid spaces in the name if you are uploading a
	student list via a spreadsheet
Group is visible to students	Yes
Tool Availability	Unless these have been specifically requested, you can untick these options
Widget Personalisation Settings	Untick
Group Set Options	Tick this to create a Smart View for the grade centre
Membership	If you are uploading group list via a spreadsheet ignore this option and move to Step 6 below.
	If you wish to add users individually, click Add Users to display a student list.
	Click 'Show All' to display all students registered on the module
	<b>Tick</b> the students you wish to add to the group. <i>Note the total number of students you have selected is displayed in the bottom left corner.</i>
	Click <b>submit</b> to add those users to the group

6) Click **Submit** to create the group

If you need to add members via a spreadsheet – go to Stage 2

If you have already added members – go to Stage 4

# Stage 2: Adding users to a group via a spreadsheet

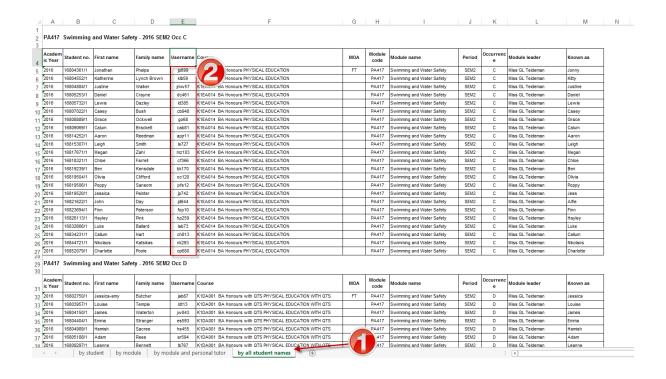
For large groups this option can be more time efficient. You need to first create a group/multiple groups (see Stage 1). You can then obtain a report from InfoView with the student usernames, which can be pasted into a spreadsheet. Note you can use one spreadsheet for multiple groups within a single module.

#### Obtaining student usernames from InfoView

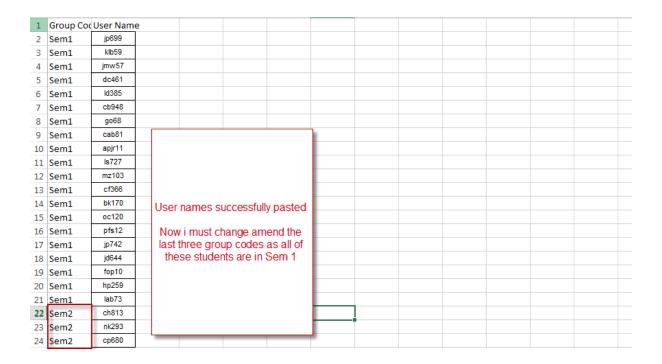
- Logon to InfoView
- In Module reports > Class list by module and course

Note: Once you have done this once, it will come up in your recently viewed documents list.

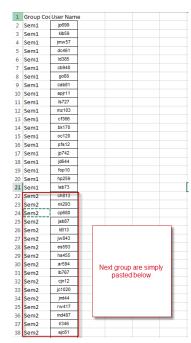
- 1) The spreadsheet from InfoView should have a number of tabs/sheets.
- 2) Navigate to the sheet titled 'By all student names' (1)
- 3) Highlight the usernames of the students in the relevant group you are creating. Copy this (right click > Copy)



- 4) Paste the usernames into cell B2 of the template spreadsheet (sample\_groupmembers.csv). The usernames will replace the dummy usernames on the template.
- 5) Check that the correct group name is given next to each student name (e.g. Sem1). Amend as necessary



6) You can repeat by copying the next group from the infoview spreadsheet and pasting further down the column. Again make sure the group names match the correct students.

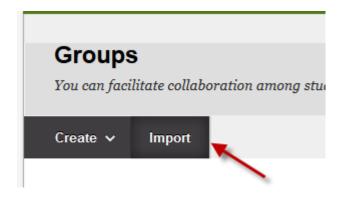


7) You'll now need to clean up the template by removing any dummy usernames that aren't required

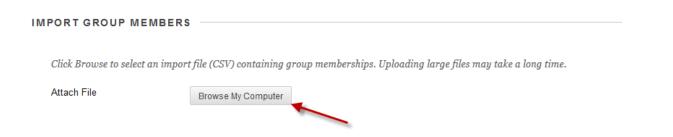
8) Save the spreadsheet as a CSV file with a new name (e.g. PA417 groups.csv)

## Stage 3: Importing group members from a spreadsheet

- 1) Login to studentcentral: <a href="https://studentcentral.brighton.ac.uk/">https://studentcentral.brighton.ac.uk/</a>
- 2) Navigate to the module
- 3) In the Control Panel, click Users & Groups > Groups
- 4) On the Groups screen, click Import



5) Under **Import Group Members**, click **Browse my Computer** and find the CSV file you just created. Click Open once you find the file

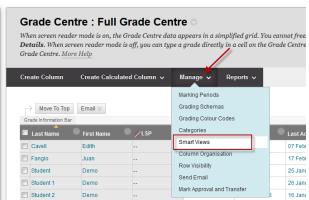


- 6) You'll return to the Import page. Click **Submit**
- 7) You'll return to the group page. The process can take a few seconds so don't panic if you see there are still not the correct numbers of students in your groups. Refresh the page or return after a minute or so to see if it w=has worked. You'll receive a confirmation email when the import is complete. Its usually no more than 1 minute depending on numbers

### Stage 4: Adding a SMART view to the Grade Centre

As part of Stage 1, you selected the option to create a Smart View for the group, so Grade Centre can be filtered to only shows users in that group. You need to add this as a 'favourite' so it is displayed when a tutor accesses the Grade Centre.

- 1) Navigate to the module you have set up the groups for
- In the Control Panel, click Grade Centre > Full Grade Centre
- In the menu bar, click Manage > Smart Views



4) You'll see the existing Smart Views listed (many are created by default). Find the one that has been created for the group(s) you have set up. **Click the star icon** to save as a favourite.



5) Click Ok to complete

### **Troubleshooting Groups**

Groups have been set up but a tutor is unable to email them?

• Make sure the groups have been set as 'available to students' (See Stage 1)

Groups have been set up but importing members via a spreadsheet isn't working?

- Make sure:
  - The group names in the spreadsheet match those in studentcentral. Ideally group names should not have spaces.
  - The students in the spreadsheet are enrolled on the module in studentcentral. You cannot add students to a group who are not enrolled.

I created a group(s) but need to make a change to the settings?

See below

I need to manually add/remove a student at a later date?

- You can edit groups at any time:
- Login to studentcentral: https://studentcentral.brighton.ac.uk/
- Navigate to the module
- In the Control Panel, click Users & Groups > Groups
- Locate the group you wish to edit, and click the menu button after the group name.
   Click Edit

