

The **Student Homepage** on Blackboard is a communication tool used to get acquainted with fellow students in a class. It allows students to post personal information, pictures, and favorite websites, to generate conversation between students. The student will have to create a different homepage for each class he/she takes.

Creating a Student Homepage

To create a student homepage, do the following:

- Select and open a specific class on the Blackboard Homepage under **My Courses**.
- Click on the **Tools** button on the left-hand side of the screen.
- Select the **Edit Your Homepage** option.

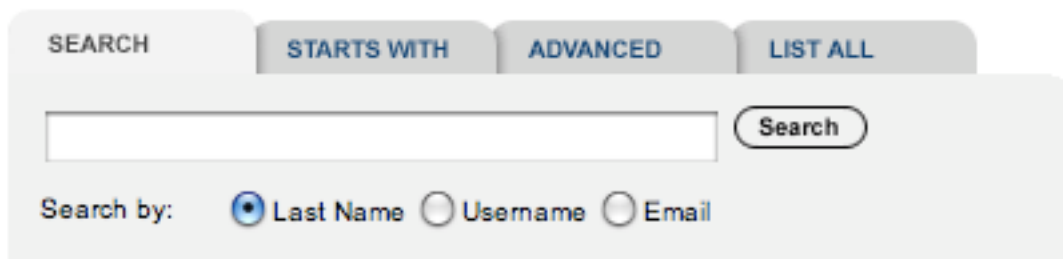
There are four subsections in the **Edit Your Homepage** option:

1. **Homepage Info:** You can write your Intro Message and your Personal Information in this section.
2. **Upload Picture:** You can add a picture by using the **Browse** feature to locate a picture file (*.jpg, *.gif) on your computer. The recommended size is 110 pixels by 152 pixels or smaller. You can modify your picture on any of the computers in the Student Computer Lab using Microsoft Photo Editor or Gimp.
3. **Favorite Websites:** In this section, you can add up to three websites with their titles, URLs and a short description of each.
4. **Submit:** In this section click **Submit** to post your webpage.

Viewing a Student Homepage

To view your student homepage or the student homepage of someone in your class:

- Select and open a specific class on the Blackboard homepage and click on it.
- Click on **Communication** on the left-hand side of the screen.
- Select **Roster** (Note to Instructors: the Roster function must be 'enabled' for students to view each other's webpages).
- A window will appear with which you can search for a student's homepage. Select the Search button and it will display the names of the students in the class.



The screenshot shows a search interface with four tabs: SEARCH, STARTS WITH, ADVANCED, and LIST ALL. Below the tabs is a search input field and a Search button. Underneath the input field, there is a 'Search by:' label followed by three radio button options: Last Name (selected), Username, and Email.

- Click on the student's name to view his/her homepage.

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