

# Vula and Amathuba Tools Comparison

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This table outlines the closest Amathuba or alternative tool to Vula tools.



Vula Tool	Amathuba Tool	Description/Function
Announcements	<a href="#">Announcements</a>	For posting current, time-critical information
Assignments	<a href="#">Assignments</a>	Post, distribute, collect, and grade online assignments
Blogs	<a href="#">Discussions</a>	For student blogs
Calendar	<a href="#">Calendar</a>	Display class or meeting dates, deadlines, web assignment dates, special events, and more
Chat Room	<a href="#">Discussions</a> / <a href="#">MS Teams</a>	For synchronous (real-time) online discussion between site participants
Course outline	<a href="#">Content</a>	Post, upload, or link the course outline and requirements for the course
Email/Messages	Email via <a href="#">Classlist</a> tool	Send emails to individuals, groups, or all site participants
Email archive	<a href="#">Announcements</a>	Send emails to the class
External Tool	External Learning Tools	Add tools which support external tools, including <a href="#">Padlet</a> , <a href="#">Gradescope</a> , <a href="#">Hypothesis</a> , <a href="#">Wooclap</a> , <a href="#">Lecture Videos</a> and more
Discussions	<a href="#">Discussions</a>	Tool for online discussion
Gradebook	<a href="#">Grades</a>	To store, calculate, record and distribute grade information to students online
Lecture Videos	<a href="#">Lecture Videos</a>	Record/upload videos and manage lecture recording
Lessons	<a href="#">Content</a>	Structure course content in weeks, units, or modules, and optionally require the completion of prerequisites
Checklists in Lessons	<a href="#">Checklist</a>	For students to monitor their progress
Polls	<a href="#">Surveys</a>	For anonymous and non-anonymous polls or voting
Resources	<a href="#">Content</a> / <a href="#">Manage Files</a>	Upload and organise documents, electronic files, or URLs for download or display. Note: 'Manage files' is staff-facing
Participants	<a href="#">Classlist</a>	Allows lecturers to view a site participant's name and email address
Q&A	<a href="#">Content</a> / <a href="#">Discussions</a>	A tool to list common student queries. This can be replicated through a page on the content tool
Group Manager / Section Info	<a href="#">Groups</a>	Site administrator tool for managing multiple groups within a site
Rubrics	<a href="#">Rubrics</a>	Criteria used to grade assessments
Sign-up	<a href="#">Groups</a>	Site participants sign up for the topics, presentations or events. Similar functionality may be achieved through groups
Site Setup	<a href="#">Course Admin</a>	Administrative site management -- change site information, site tools, and site access
Site Stats	<a href="#">Class Progress</a> / Content report	Track student use of the site by user, event, or resource
Tests & Quizzes	<a href="#">Quizzes</a>	Create and administer online quizzes, exams, and surveys
Web Content	<a href="#">Content</a>	Create a link in the site's Tool list to a website
Wiki/ Student Lessons pages	Google Drive / OneDrive	Allows for collaborative editing of pages and content
	<a href="#">Intelligent Agent</a> * New	Send customised emails based on student behaviour
	<a href="#">Quick Eval</a> * New	View and grade student submissions – assignments, quizzes, discussions