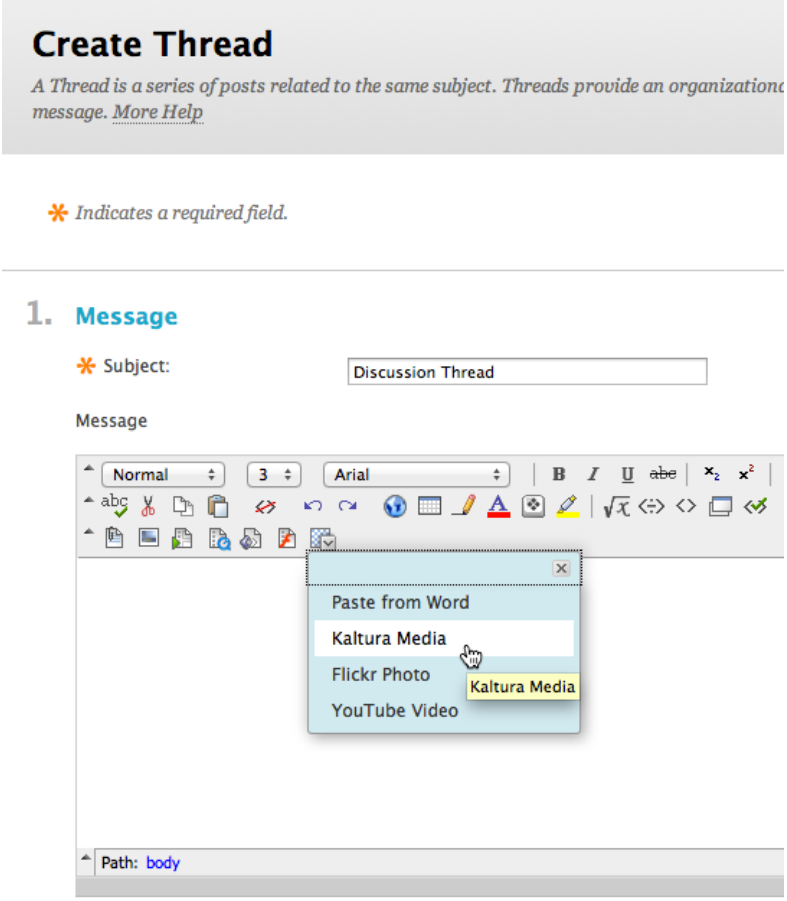
Using the Kaltura Mashup Tool

The **Kaltura Media** mashup tool enables both faculty and students to add media directly within any text/html editor in Blackboard. Both faculty and students can find the **Kaltura Media** mashup tool available in course:

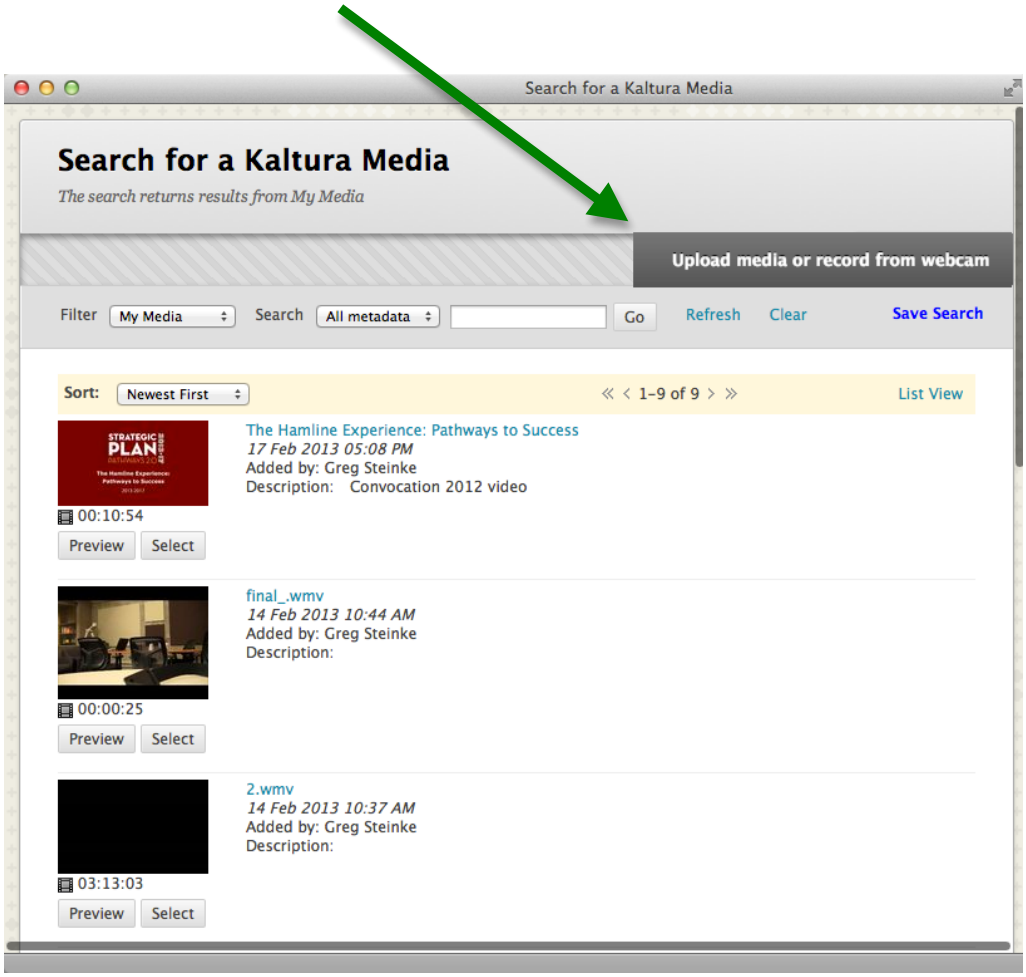
- discussion threads
- wikis
- journals
- blogs
- and messages, etc.



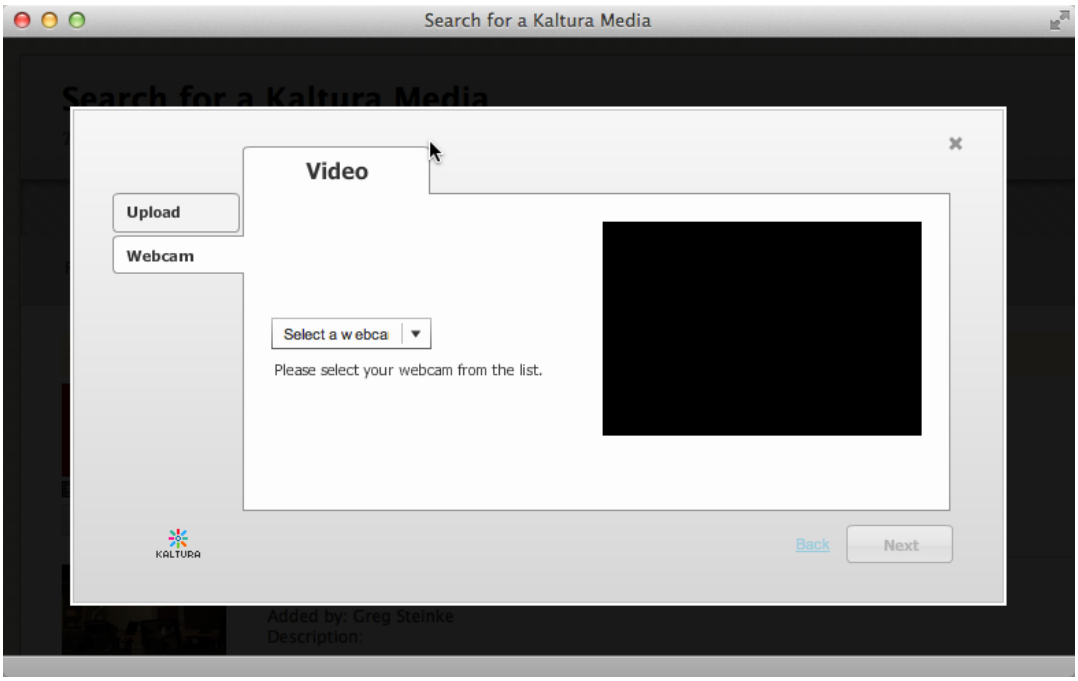
To upload a video clip or use your webcam to record a message using the **Kaltura Media** mashup tool, follow these directions:

1. In any Blackboard text/html editor, you will find a mashup item like this one - . Click the mashup button and choose **Kaltura Media**.

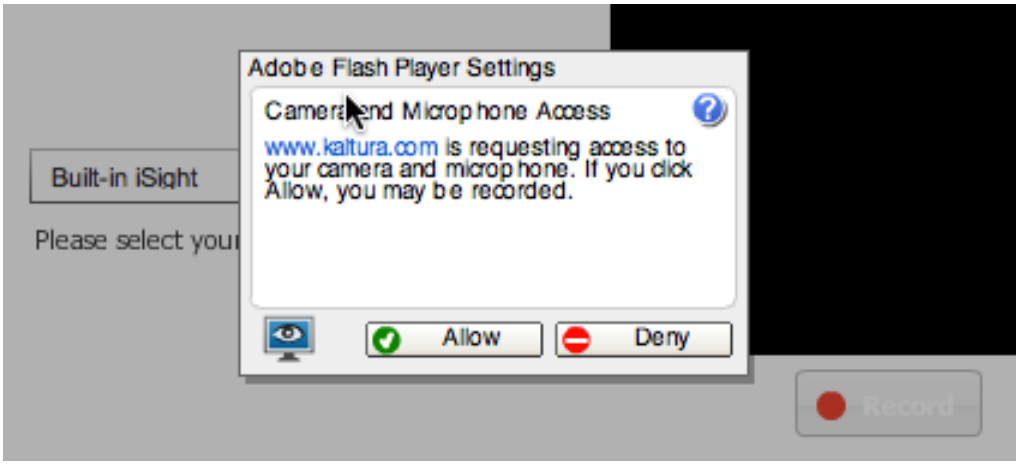
2. The **Search for a Kaltura Media** window will open. You can now choose a video clip that you have uploaded at an earlier time or you can click on the **Select Upload media or record from webcam** button (far right) to upload a new video or record a video with your webcam.



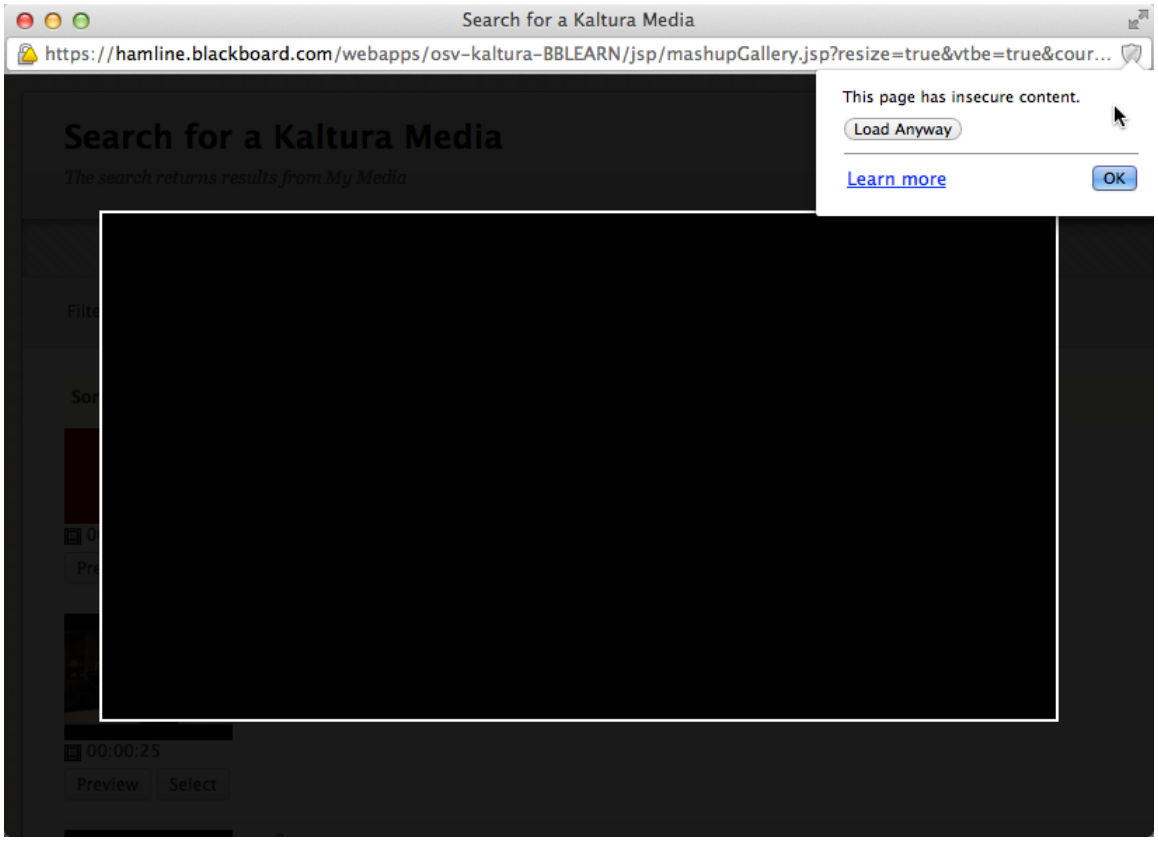
3. For this tutorial, we will walk through how to use your webcam to add a video to a discussion thread. If you need information on how to use the **Upload** tab to upload a video from your computer, please see the tutorial > **Adding Kaltura Media to your Course**.



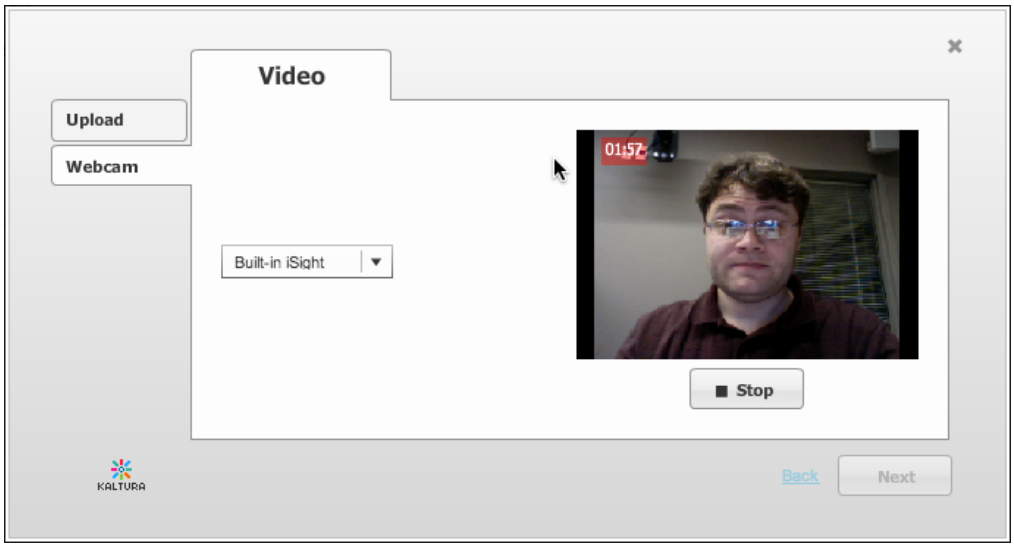
4. Click on the **Select a webcam** button and choose the webcam you have installed on your computer. An Adobe Flash Player window will open up asking you if it's ok to use your webcam, click **Allow** to use your webcam.



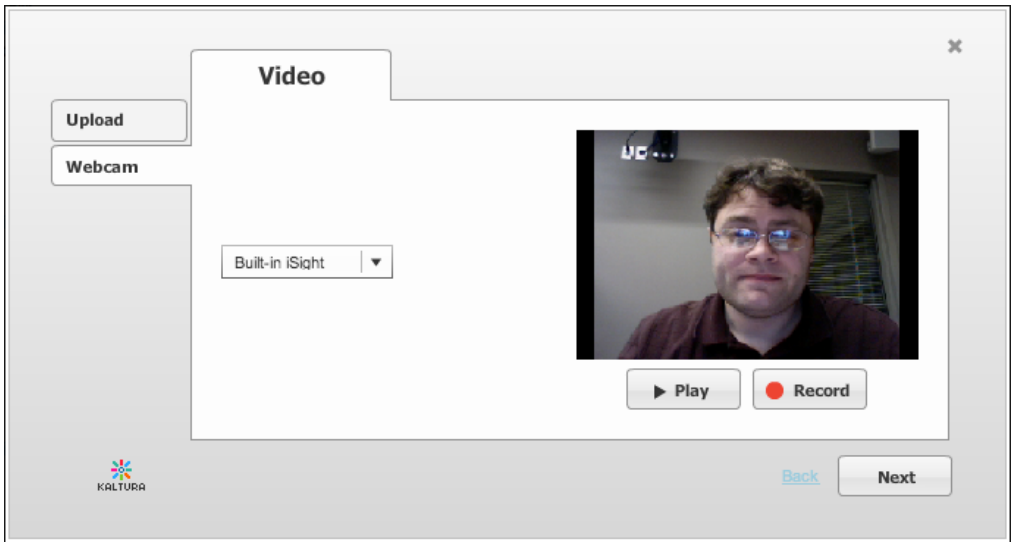
{ Note } If you are using Google Chrome and do not see your webcam video, look to the right of your browser's address bar and if there is a shield icon, click on it and choose **Load Anyway**. Google Chrome will refresh the page and you will need to navigate back to the area of the course where you want to add your webcam video.



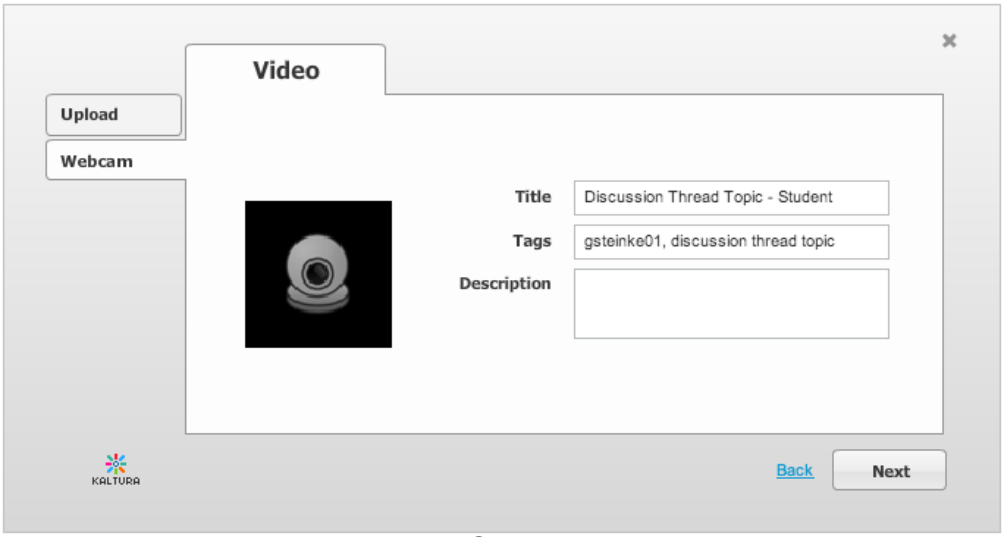
Now you should see your video preview. Click **Record** to capture your video message.



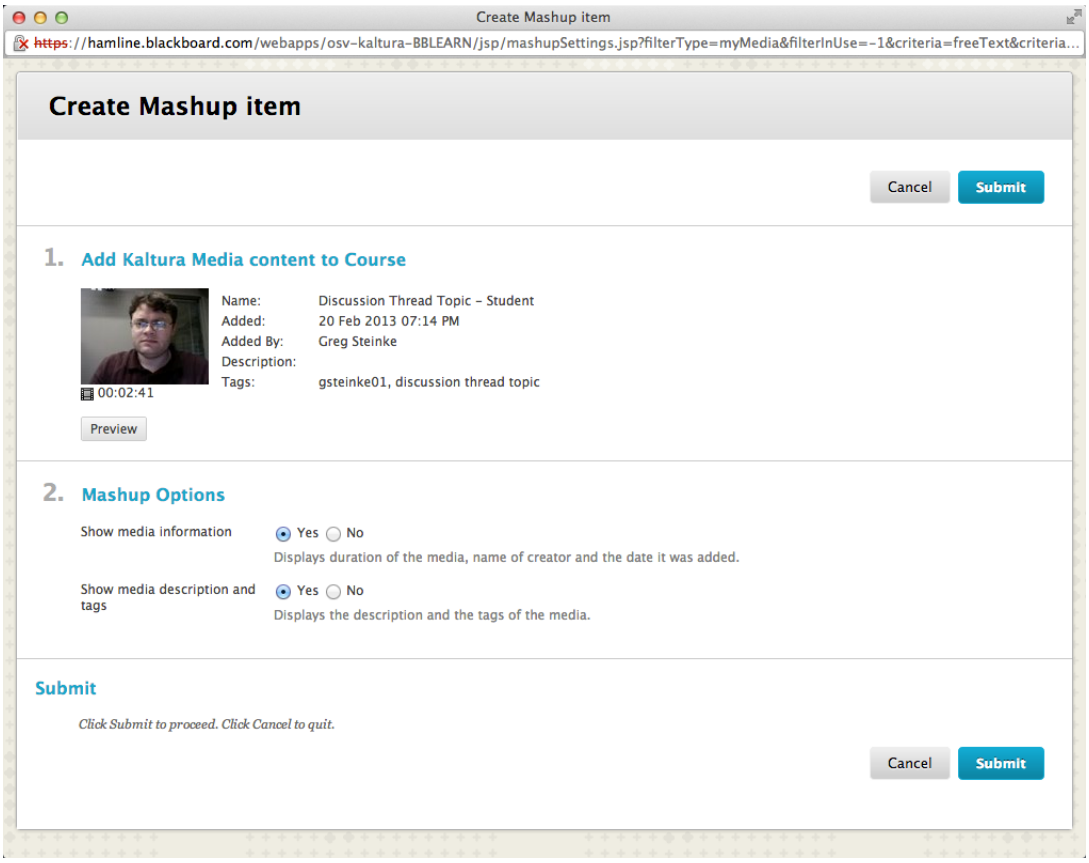
When you are finished with your video message, click **Stop** and **Next** to move to the next window.



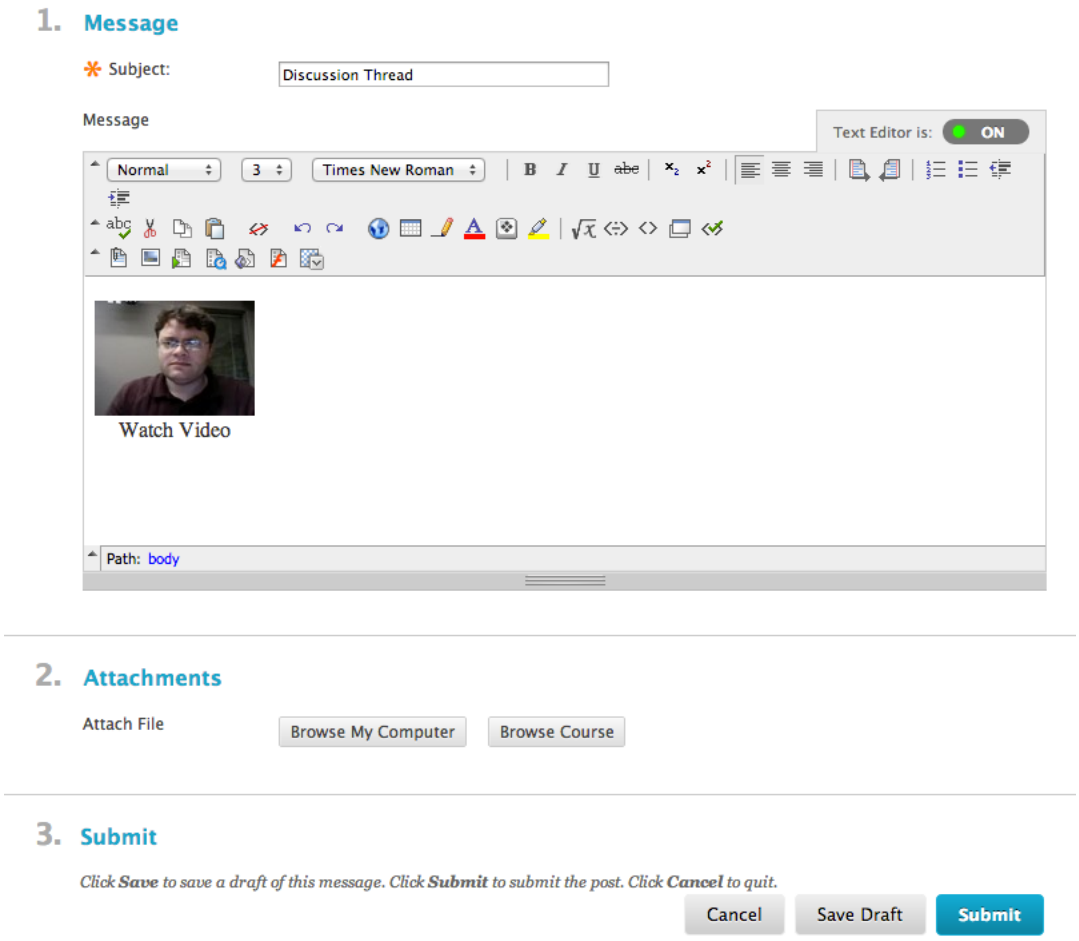
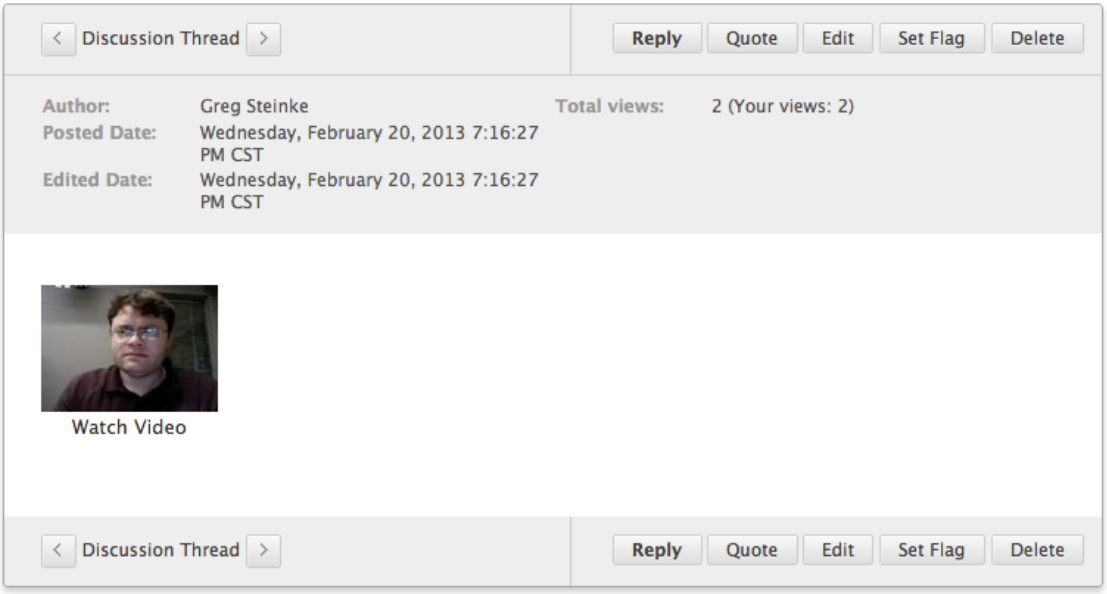
5. Add a **Title**, any **Tags**, and a **Description** to your video. The text that you add for the **Tags** field will help you find your video when you search for it (separate tags with commas). I tend to add my Hamline username, the title of the video, and any other information that I think will help me search for the content at a later time. Click **Next** when you are finished adding information to your video.



6. The **Create Mashup item** will open up. Choose whether or not you want to display **Mashup Options** and click **Submit**.



7. Click **Submit** again, one last time, to add your video to Blackboard.



8. Congratulations! You have successfully added a video to Blackboad using the **Kaltura Media** mashup tool. Students can now reply to your discussion thread using the **Kaltura Media** mashup tool as well.