Manage Discussion Forums

1. **Discussions (Course Menu)**
   Use Tool Link in upper left corner of course menu to create link to the Discussion Board where you and students can view all discussions in one location.

2. **Discussion Board**
   Building a sense of community among students is crucial for a successful online experience. The Discussion Board is an important tool for student-to-student and student-to-instructor interaction and can replicate the discussions that take place in the traditional classroom.

3. **Edit a Discussion Forum**
   Edit the forum settings such as Availability, Anonymous posts, allowing attachment, and whether a forum will be graded.

4. **Link to an existing Discussion in a Content Folder**
   Links to individual tools or a specific area of a tool, such as a particular Discussion Board forum, can be placed in a Content Folder.

5. **Grade a Discussion Forum**
   You can assign discussion grades within a forum or from the Grade Center. Students can be graded on their participation, on the quality of their posts, or a combination of the two. You can create rubrics and refer to them while grading forums and threads, but the rubrics must be created and associated in advance.