

College of Medicine

System User Guide

Curriculum Management System (CMS)

User access - Lecturer

Welcome to the COM curriculum management system which has been designed to support teaching activities at COM.

The URL for the system is http://cms.medcol.mw

Log on using your user name and password

For example

Username: kumwendaj **Password** : mypassword



This will take you to your HOME page



The system is navigated by selecting the tabs from the top menu bar.

The **Home** page has announcements for students on the left hand side. As a lecturer you are able to create announcements and have these appear on the front page. The top announcement is called a **featured announcement** and this allows a particular announcement to be given the highest importance. Only the Dean and course coordinators have the ability to feature an announcement, so if you require your announcement to be featured then you need to contact the relevant course coordinator. A maximum of 10 announcements will appear on the page; after 10 announcements, the oldest announcement will removed from the list.

Personal agenda

On the right hand side you can see your own timetable. Your Personal agenda will display every teaching session that you are involved in for the week. This will include all Courses and years that use the CMS.

Role of lecturer in the CMS

The course coordinators are responsible for scheduling the timetable within the system and creating the element pages for teaching.

Within the system there will be a single **element page** for each teaching session. This element page displays both the administrative and educational information for each teaching session.

The administration information is uploaded and controlled by the course coordinators

- Lecturers name
- Location of teaching
- Element type e.g. lecture, workshop, guided study etc
- Date and time of teaching
- Year and group being taught

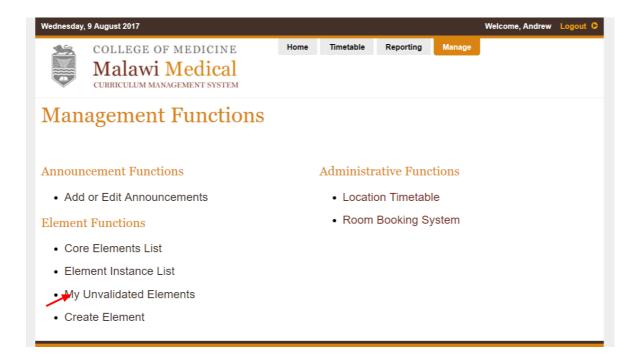
The lecturers are responsible for the educational information on the page

- Learning outcomes
- Required and recommended reading
- Uploading PowerPoint presentations and handouts
- Links to supporting elearning resources
- Topic headings i.e. where it fits into the integrated curriculum

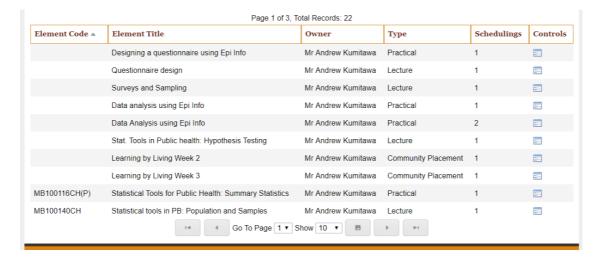
Instructions to complete Element pages

Log on to the CMS and select the tag Manage

From the Manage menu select My un-validated elements

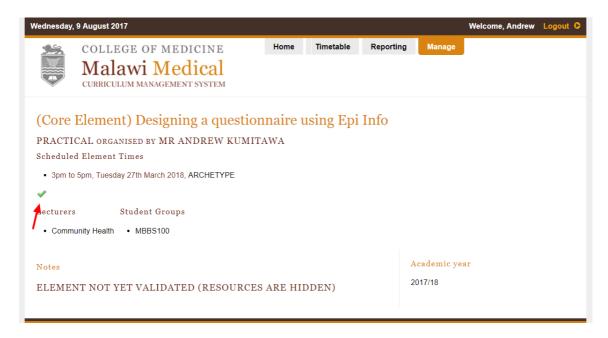


This takes you to a list of the element pages that have been created for you by the course coordinator. These are listed by the title of your teaching session. There will be an element page for each of your lecturers, practical sessions, guided studies and so on. You will only be able to edit element pages if you are the **owner** of the element. If you are an assistant lecturer for the element, you will be able to see the element but not be able to edit it.

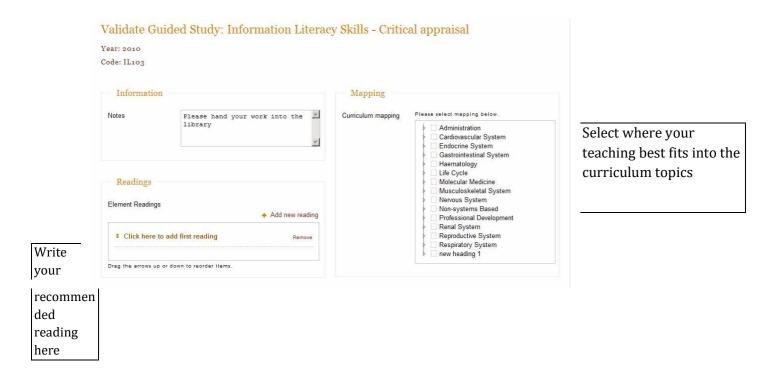


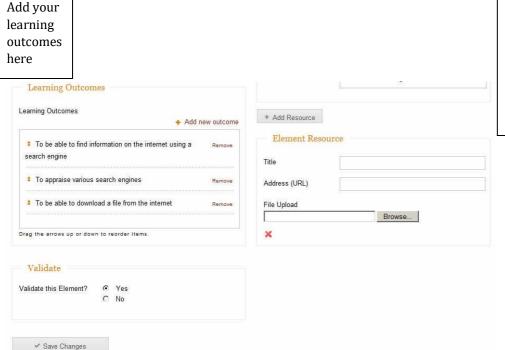
Next you need to open each page and add your resources.

Click on the Element Title to open the page. You will be met with an Element page with the administrative information already added by course coordinators.



Click on the green tick to edit, upload resources, learning outcomes and then validate.





Use the file upload to add your PowerPoint files and Handouts

Copy and paste the URL of external resources into the Address (URL). This is where you link to Edinburgh resources

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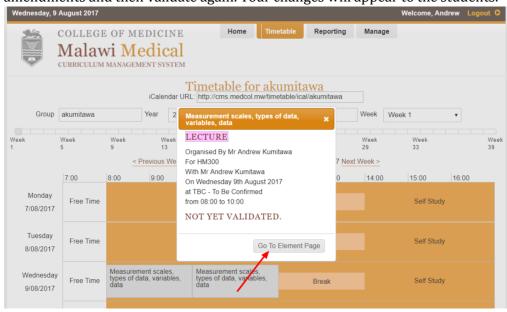
select Yes for the student to be able to view the page.

You will have several learning outcomes. Once the learning outcomes are added, you are able to drag and drop these to change their order.

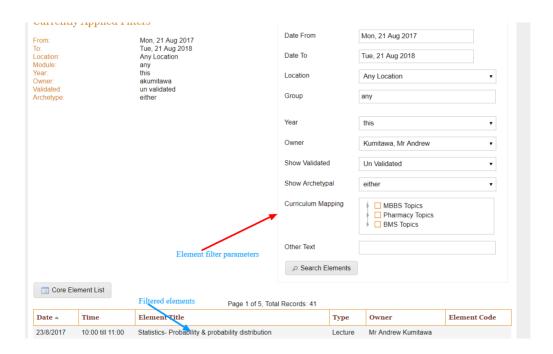
Once you have completed this process the students are able to view and gain access to their resources.

Editing Element pages

Should you wish to edit your element page at a later date you can select your element directly from the timetable. You need to select the Validation option make the necessary amendments and then validate again. Your changes will appear to the students.



Alternatively you can choose Manage and select **Element Instance List** and then use the controls to choose which element pages that you want to display.



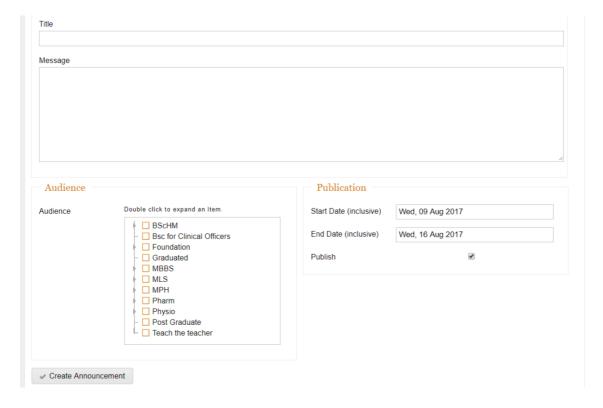
As a lecturer you are able to post announcements on the system. From the Home page select Manage then click on manage Announcements.



From this page you can add a new announcement and manage your own announcement(s). You are not able to edit or delete an announcement from any other staff member.



To post a new announcement select New Announcement from the menu.



- Choose the title for the announcement
- Type the content here
- Choose the audience
- You can opt to show or hide the announcement by checking Publish
- Once you have finished, click on Create announcement

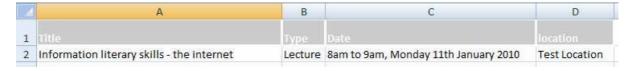
If you need to edit an announcement, you can either click on the title of the announcement in the list, or on the pencil icon on the right-hand side. If you need to delete an announcement, click on the red cross. The green ticks and red circles indicate whether the announcement is shown or not.

Reports

There are a number of reports on the curriculum available for you to view. Select the Reporting tab. Most of these reports are displayed in excel format. You can opt to save these to your desktop or print out for future reference and in case of network problems. The Curriculum View option allows you to see all the curriculum mapped by Topics.



My Teaching Report is probably the most interesting report for you. You can download it to your PC or print it off and it will act as your timetable when there are network problems.



You will see the mention of Core element. This is the element information without the additional information of scheduling time/s and any specific group allocation.

e.g. If you are teaching 4 groups of students at different times, you only have to complete 1 core element and the course coordinator will be responsible for scheduling it 4 times. At the time of scheduling the course coordinator will assign different staff to the scheduled element if appropriate.

If you have any problems with the system please contact the Support Team on https://support.medcol.mw