Student View Tool

This new tool in Blackboard simplifies the process of creating a demo student and gives you an instant true “student view” of your Blackboard course. To use the Student View tool:

1. In the top right corner of the content window, click “Go To Student View”.

2. Navigate your course as a student. To return to teacher mode, click the “Return To Teacher View” link in the upper left corner above the course menu.
3. A demo user has been added to your course roster with the user id of bb_demo_yourusername. You can treat this demo user like any other student in your class, assigning grades, sending messages, and using the adaptive release function, so that when you use the Student View tool you can get a true picture of what your student is experiencing, including what they see in the grade book, whether or not they have received certain messages, and what exams or assignments they have access to.

This tool has advantages for you as the user. It simplifies the process of creating a demo student. There are no passwords or user ids to memorize and you don’t have to worry about logging in or out. There are advantages for IT as well, allowing us to easily identify and manage demo users.