



## Flexible Deadline Models *That Preserve Academic Standards*

*Choose the approach that works best for your course.*



### Model 1: Grace Window

Soft → Grace → Hard Deadline

#### How it works:

- ✓ Soft deadline → 48-72h grace period, then hard cutoff

#### Why use it:

- ✓ Clear structure, minimal admin

#### Best for:

- ✓ Consistent, time-sensitive assignments

#### Integrity:

- ✓ Same criteria, flexible timing



### Model 2: Drop-One

(Lowest Assignment Dropped)

#### How it works:

- ✓ Canvas automatically drops the lowest score

#### Why use it:

- ✓ Simple, equitable, compatible with large classes

#### Best for:

- ✓ Weekly, repeatable, low-stakes activities

#### Integrity:

- ✓ Clear rule, equal application



### Model 3: Rolling Deadlines

+ Checkpoints

#### How it works:

- ✓ Submission window + milestones

#### Why use it:

- ✓ Structure and flexibility for complex projects

#### Best for:

- ✓ Writing, research, design tasks

#### Integrity:

- ✓ Checkpoints track progress

*Set clear policies that balance flexibility and accountability.*