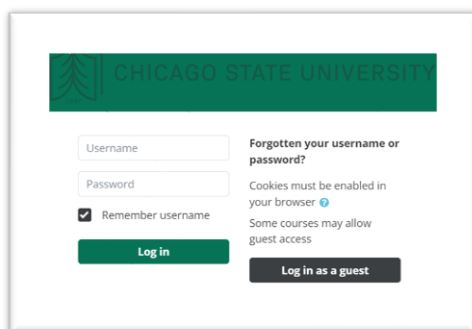# Add Packback to Course

Purpose:

Packback is an external extension writing aid for students and grading aid for faculty that can be integrated into your Moodle course shell. Unlike Generative AI (made popular by ChatGPT), Packback's Instructional AI never writes for students. It teaches and coaches students how to be stronger writers and critical thinkers, improves student's writing skills and confidence on written assignments. Packback also engages curiosity, increases motivation, builds community, and supports writing practices within it's student discussion platform with built-in AI coaching that helps students develop better questions and responses.

For educators, Packback's Instructional AI acts as a grading assistant while keeping the instructor in control. Packback helps speed the more "mechanical" aspects of managing and grading assignments, freeing educator time to focus on the students' content and provide personalized and meaningful feedback.
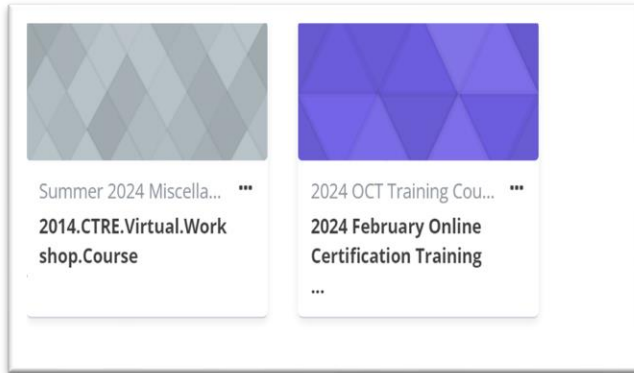
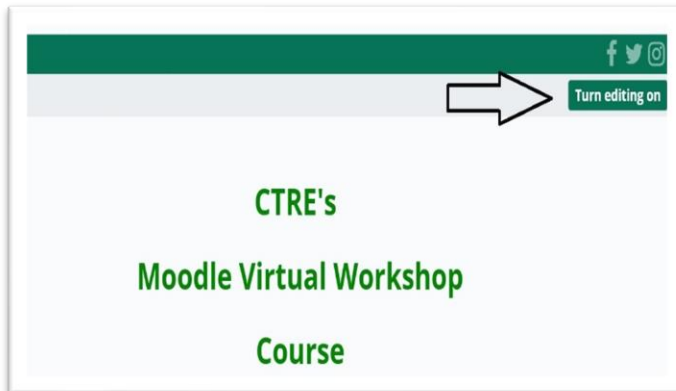**How to Add Packback to Your Moodle Course**

Procedure:

1. Login Moodle.

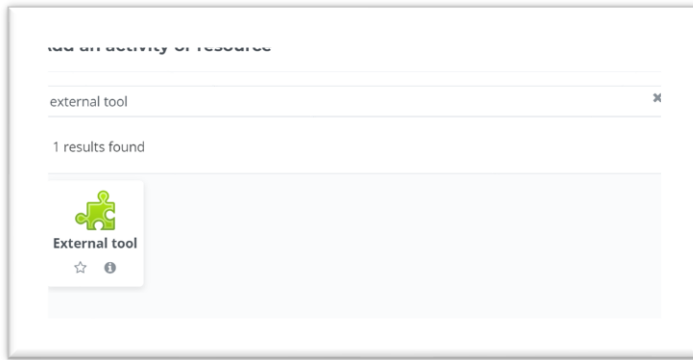2. Select the course to which Packback will be added.

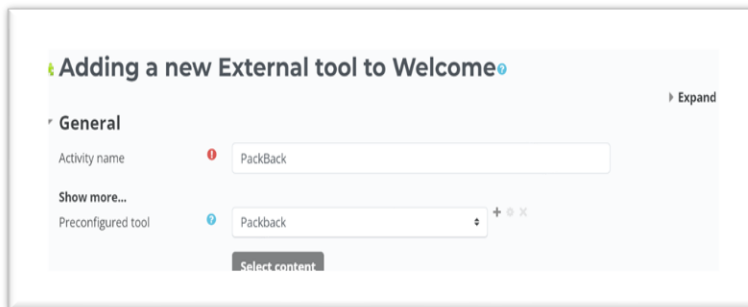3. Once you have entered the course, select "turn editing on".

4. Select section within course to where you would like to add the Packback extension. Then select "add an activity or resource".
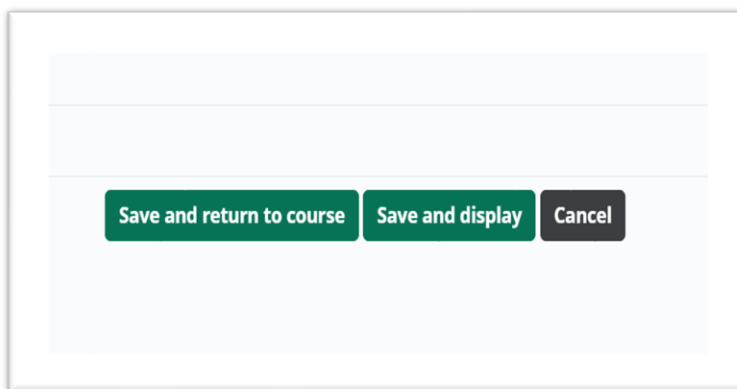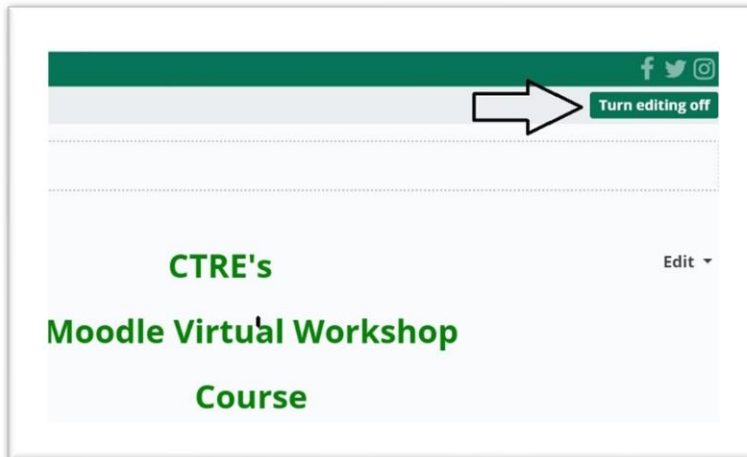

5. Select "external tool".

6. Fill in activity name (Packback) then select Packback from the Preconfigured tool dropdown menu,
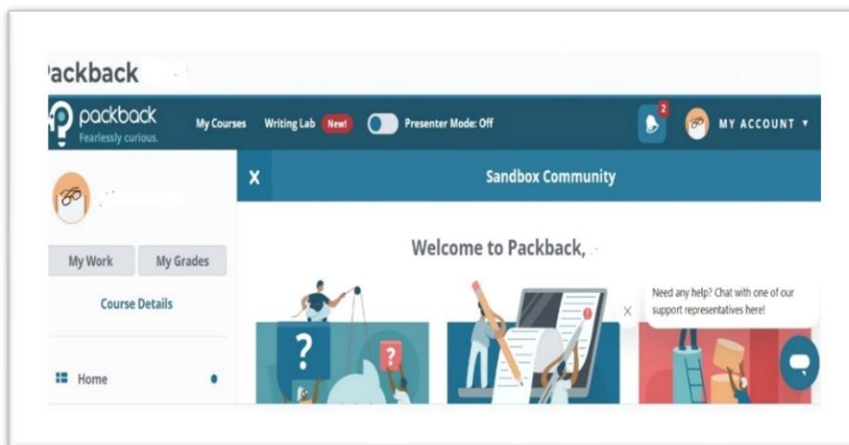

7. Scroll to bottom select save and return to course.

8. Select "Turn editing off".

9. To enter Packback from course, select Packback and the window below should appear.

Resources:

- [How to add Packback to Moodle video / written instructions](#)
- [High-level platform demo (7 minutes)](#)
- ["How Do Instructors Use Packback?" video](#)

CSU has a Packback representative who is available for questions and training sessions. Please contact Kathryn Stegeman kathryn.stegeman@packback.co for more information.