

Ask the Expert

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Agenda

- 8.1.2 Patch fixes (build 8.14)
- Submitted Questions

Blue8 Release notes + patches

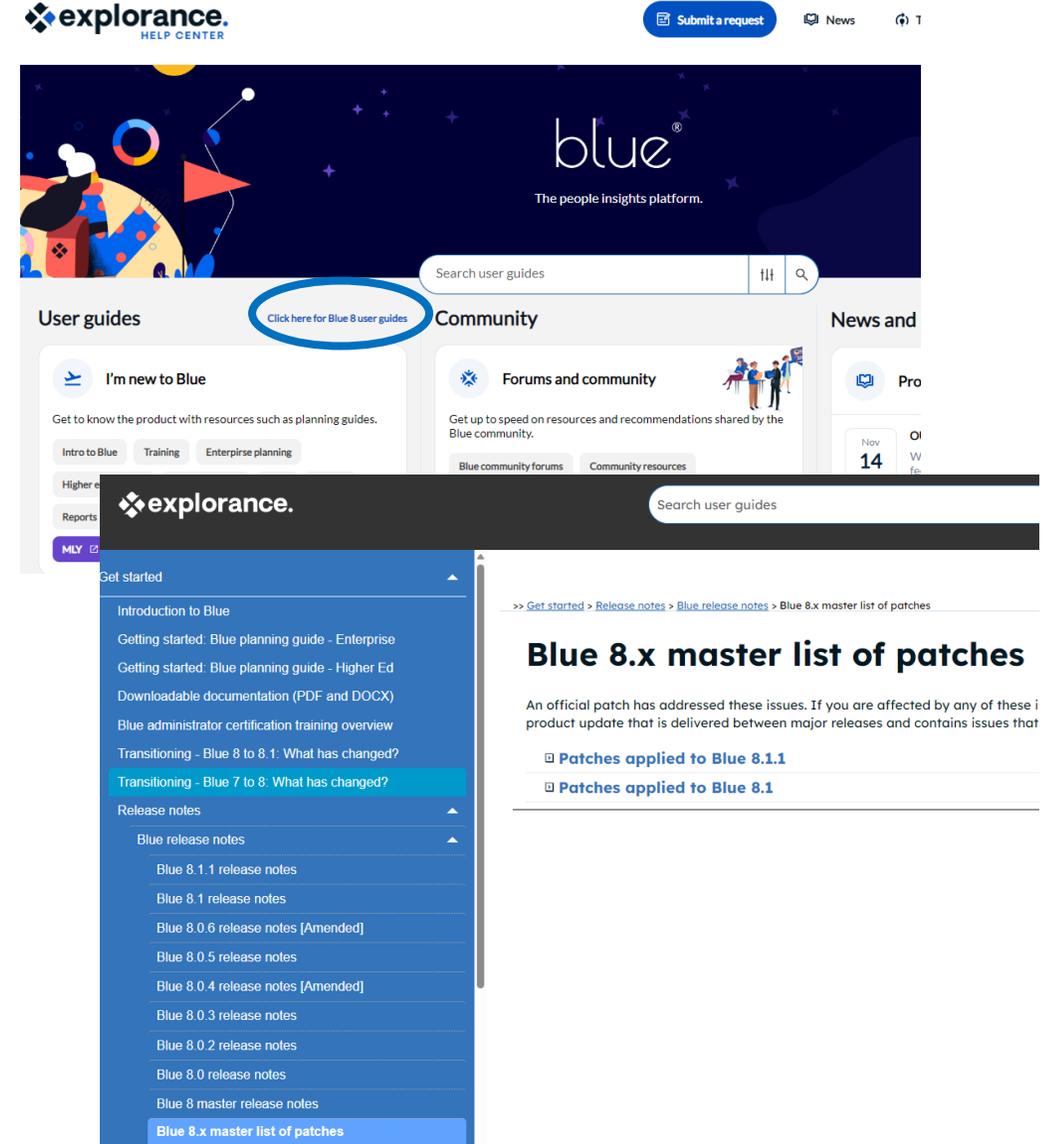
- [Release notes](#) available in our Help Centre

- Features
- Known Issues
- Compatibility

Tip: Check out the master to view a cumulative list of the above

- [Master list of patches](#)

- Fixed issues with build number for patch



8.1.2 Patch release highlights

- Global task owners will now automatically get access to new subjects after overnight update

My Projects
Editing: Spring 2024 Course Evaluations

Project Shortcuts 

Info	Questionnaire	Definition	Subjects	Members	Triggers	Access	Tasks	Language	Publish
General	Organizational Links	Group	Shared Group	Subject Filter	Secondary Subject Filter	Group Filter			

Groups (Last Automatic Update: 5/9/2024 2:11:12 AM)

Results: 1 - 6 of 6 Item(s)

	Group Name	Privileges	Link Type	Group Links
<input type="radio"/>	Students (Automatic Update)	FO	Relationship	Course
<input type="radio"/>	Instructors for Response Rate (Automatic Update)		Relationship	Course
<input type="radio"/>	Instructors for OP & RV (Automatic Update)	OP, RV	Link	Faculty
<input type="radio"/>	DRA (Dynamic Viewers)	RV	Organization	Course
<input checked="" type="radio"/>	Global Group	RV, SV	Global	Course

Before

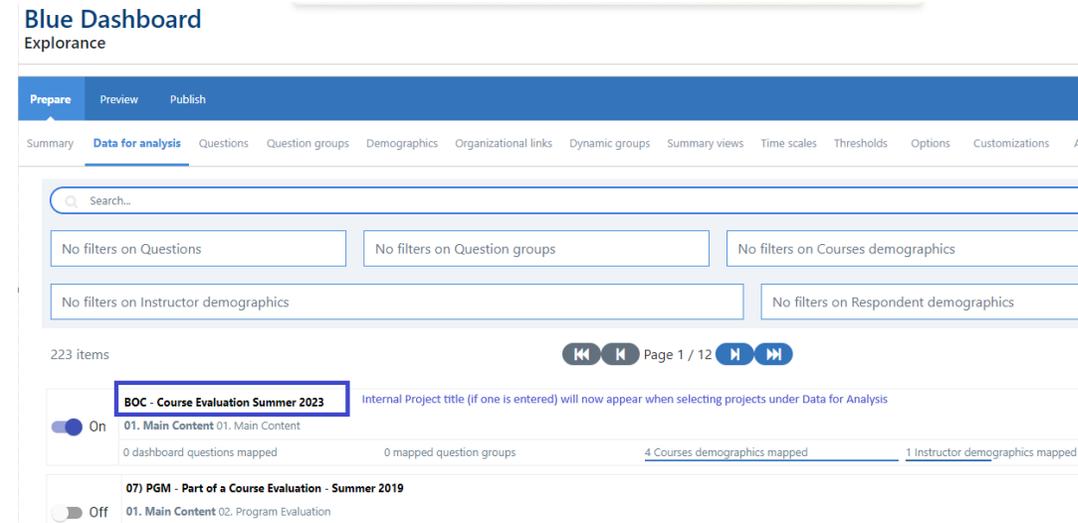
In a project with global group(s), if a new subject is added after Publish, the project had to be saved to create tasks for global group members (no Automatic Update option)

Now

The overnight update will now automatically create tasks for global group members for newly added subjects

8.1.2 Patch release highlights cont'd

- Blue Dashboard
 - If in the Blue project, an internal project title is added, it will now appear (instead of the project title) when selecting projects under Data for Analysis



- GetResponse3 API – can now exclude Non-Selected Secondary Subjects
 - If a Secondary Subject Selection question is used in the Questionnaire, you can now exclude non-selected secondary subjects in your export

Submitted Questions



Questions covered

- Question Personalization
- Question Bank
- How do I use Blue to run a weekly survey?



Question Personalization (QP)

Question

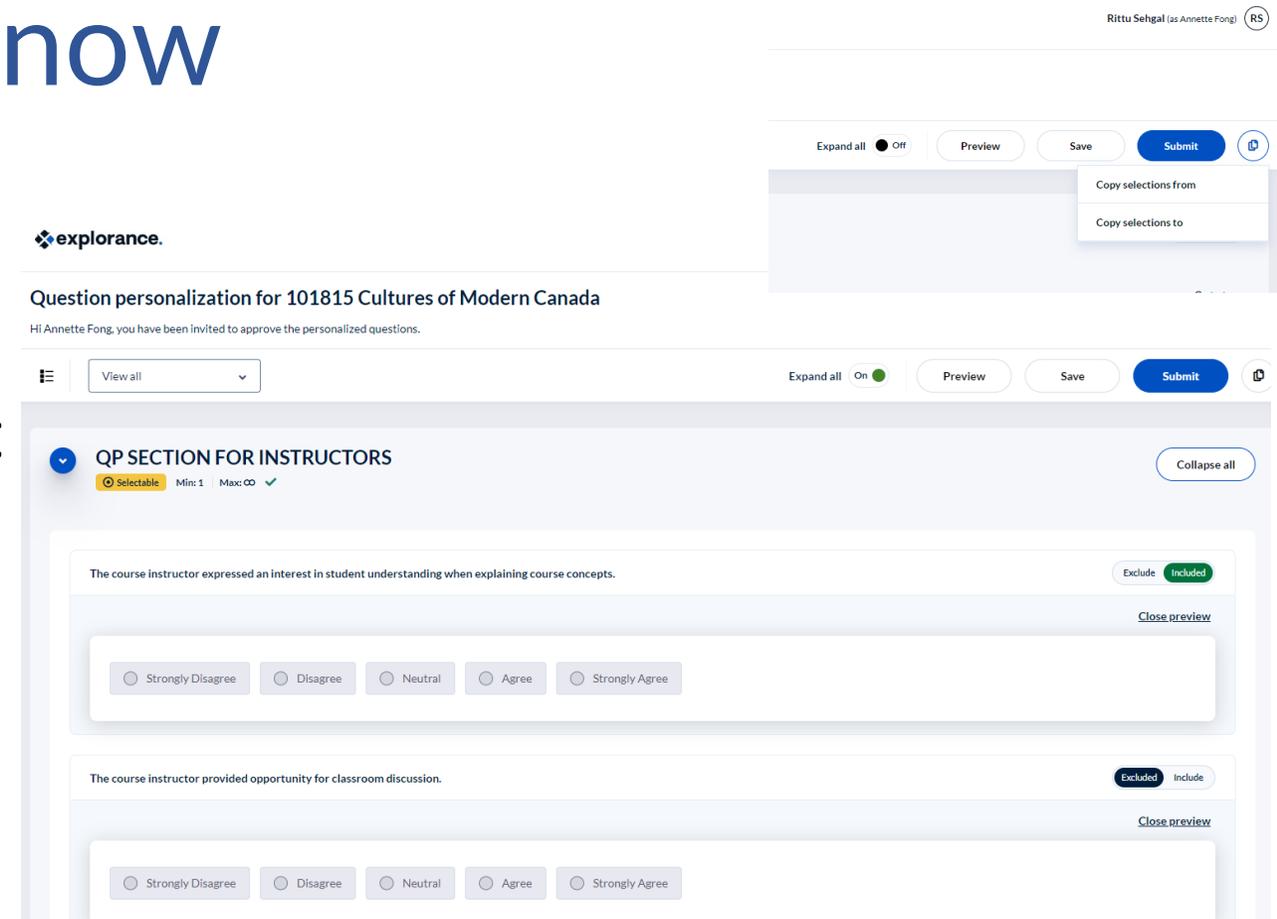
What is the Question Personalization feature?

Answer

- QP is functionality in Blue that allows delegation of question selection/customization on the questionnaire
- Delegating to key stakeholders (i.e. Instructors) engages them in the process by allowing them to gather feedback important to them

QP – Key things to know

- 2 types of QP questions: Selectable and Customizable
- Selectable can be included by default
- Single selection, Single selection table and Comment types are supported
- Personalized questions don't copy automatically to future projects, however a copy from/to option is available



The screenshot displays the Explorance interface for question personalization. At the top right, the user is identified as 'Rittu Sehgal (as Annette Fong)'. The main header shows 'Question personalization for 101815 Cultures of Modern Canada' and a message: 'Hi Annette Fong, you have been invited to approve the personalized questions.' The interface includes a 'View all' dropdown, 'Expand all' (set to 'Off'), 'Preview', 'Save', and 'Submit' buttons. A 'Copy selections from' dropdown menu is open, showing 'Copy selections to'. The main content area is titled 'QP SECTION FOR INSTRUCTORS' and contains two questions:

- Question 1: 'The course instructor expressed an interest in student understanding when explaining course concepts.' This question is marked as 'Included' and has a 'Close preview' button. It features a single-selection radio button scale: Strongly Disagree, Disagree, Neutral, Agree, Strongly Agree.
- Question 2: 'The course instructor provided opportunity for classroom discussion.' This question is marked as 'Excluded' and has an 'Include' button and a 'Close preview' button. It also features a single-selection radio button scale: Strongly Disagree, Disagree, Neutral, Agree, Strongly Agree.

QP – Key things to know cont'd

- To include response data from any added QP questions, simply add those question blocks to your report(s)
- Only QP Selectable questions are supported by the Blue Dashboard (customizable ones can't be included) **

** Note: for BD trending, consider the grouping of questions and/or how frequently questions are selected

Info	Content	Filters	Subjects	Viewers	Access	Project Mapping	Distribution	Language	Publish
Blocks	Group Elements	Virtual Groups	Virtual Question	Piping Settings	Triggers				

Index	Title	Question Type	Question Block Report Type
1	Questions evaluating the Course	Single Selection Table	<input type="checkbox"/> Frequency <input type="checkbox"/> Scale Distribution <input type="checkbox"/> Spreadsheet <input type="checkbox"/> Score
2	Would you recommend this course to other students?	Comments	<input type="checkbox"/> Comment(Dictionary has not been applied for text analysis)
3	Questions Evaluating Instructor	Single Selection Table	<input type="checkbox"/> Frequency <input type="checkbox"/> Scale Distribution <input type="checkbox"/> Spreadsheet <input type="checkbox"/> Score
4	Please suggest how the instructor could effectively facilitate learning by all students	Comments	<input type="checkbox"/> Comment <input type="checkbox"/> Frequency <input type="checkbox"/> Cross Tabulation <input type="checkbox"/> Gap Analysis
5	The course instructor expressed an interest in student understanding when explaining course concepts.	Single Selection	<input type="checkbox"/> Frequency <input type="checkbox"/> Scale Distribution <input type="checkbox"/> Spreadsheet <input type="checkbox"/> Score
6	The course instructor provided opportunity for classroom discussion.	Single Selection	<input type="checkbox"/> Frequency <input type="checkbox"/> Scale Distribution <input type="checkbox"/> Spreadsheet <input type="checkbox"/> Score
7	The course instructor related course concepts to current issues or real-life situations.	Single Selection	<input type="checkbox"/> Frequency <input type="checkbox"/> Scale Distribution <input type="checkbox"/> Spreadsheet <input type="checkbox"/> Score
8	The course instructor demonstrated respect for diversity (e.g. race, gender, ability, religion, sexual orientation, etc) in the classroom.	Single Selection	<input type="checkbox"/> Frequency <input type="checkbox"/> Scale Distribution <input type="checkbox"/> Spreadsheet <input type="checkbox"/> Score
9	[Please Enter a single selection table - Scale is "Strongly Agree - Strongly Disagree"]	Personalized Single Selection Table	<input type="checkbox"/> Frequency <input type="checkbox"/> Scale Distribution <input type="checkbox"/> Spreadsheet <input type="checkbox"/> Score
10	[Please enter your 1st open ended question.]	Personalized Comments	<input type="checkbox"/> Comment(Dictionary has not been applied for text analysis)

QP – Common Scenario Setup

With Course Evaluations (using Multiple definition)

- Questionnaire includes standard set of questions
- Add QP for Instructors for them to add questions specific to them
 - Group: Link Type for Instructor-type questions
- Add QP for Course Leaders for them to add questions specific to the course
 - Group: Relationship for Course-type questions

Resources:

- [Manage question personalization](#)
- [Question personalization \(QP\) task | Explorance online help](#)
- [Personalize your questions \(Instructor Guide\)](#)
- [\(BNG 2021 VX\) Lecturers' Engagement with Blue Explorance Question Personalisation: An Imperative for Response-able Evaluations, Wits University - August 4, 2021](#)
- [\(Bluenotes Europe 2018\) To QP or not to QP: Encouraging Module Leader Engagement in Evaluation Surveys, Liverpool John Moores University](#)

Question Bank

Question

What is the Question Bank and when should we use it?

Answer

- A set of predefined questions that can be included in a questionnaire through the use of placeholders such that the questions only appear for certain subjects based on demographic data
- Use to manage large questionnaires
- Use to streamline a decentralized questionnaire system

Question bank – Key things to know

- Repository of questions which can be used across multiple projects and is imported into Blue
- 3 steps:
 - Create and upload Question bank
 - Add placeholder questions to project
 - Bind question bank and map placeholders
- Section titles, Single selection, and Comment question types are supported

University Core Questions (Same for all courses)

Questions evaluating the Course [SSNAME]

Placeholders for School Staff	
Placeholder for Section Title	Section Title for School
Placeholder for Single Selection	Single Selection for School - Q1
Placeholder for Single Selection	Single Selection for School - Q2
Placeholder for Single Selection	Single Selection for School - Q3
Placeholder for Comments	Comment for School - Q1
Placeholder for Comments	Comment for School - Q2

Placeholders for Department Staff	
Placeholder for Section Title	Section Title for Department
Placeholder for Single Selection	Single Selection for Department - Q1
Placeholder for Single Selection	Single Selection for Department - Q2
Placeholder for Comments	Comment for Department - Q1

Question bank mapping for BlueU - Qbank Demo Last saved at 2018-09-27 1:40 PM

Assign placeholders Map questions View mapping

2 Level 1 (school) Level 2 (faculty) Level 3 (department)

Placeholders available to be assigned for Level 1 (school)

Search Reset

Select All | Deselect All 4 Assign placeholders

3 Type: Comments Placeholder: Placeholder for Comments - school question

Type: Single Selection Placeholder: Placeholder for Single Selection - school question

Placeholder for Single Selection

Placeholders assigned for Level 1 (school) Remove all placeholders

Type: Comments Placeholder: Placeholder for Comments - school question ⊗

Type: Single Selection Placeholder: Placeholder for Single Selection - school question ⊗

Question Bank – Key things to know cont'd

- To include response data, add the placeholder question blocks to your report(s)
(Responses are mapped to the placeholder not the mapped question)
- Few limitations:
 - Virtual Question, Export response data from publish, cross-category (see notes in the Online help)
 - Not supported with Project Mapping
- Question bank questions are supported with the Blue Dashboard

Question Bank – Common Scenario

With Course Evaluations (using Multiple definition)

- Large questionnaire (exceeding project limits)
- Questionnaire includes :
 - Standard set of questions at the University level
 - Triggered questions at the School level
 - Question bank questions for Departments, program etc.

YES! It's not one or the other, both Triggers and Question bank can be used in the same Questionnaire

Resources:

- [Implementing question bank for course evaluations](#)
- Question Bank Training Module in Explorance's [SmarterU LMS](#) **
- [\(Webinar\) Managing large questionnaires with Blue](#)
- Several community presentations from past conferences:
 - Navigate to the [Bluenotes Knowledge base](#)
 - Enter “Question Bank” in the KB Search

*** no access? Talk to your Account Manager*



Continuous Surveys

Question

How can I use Blue to collect feedback on student's workload on a weekly basis?

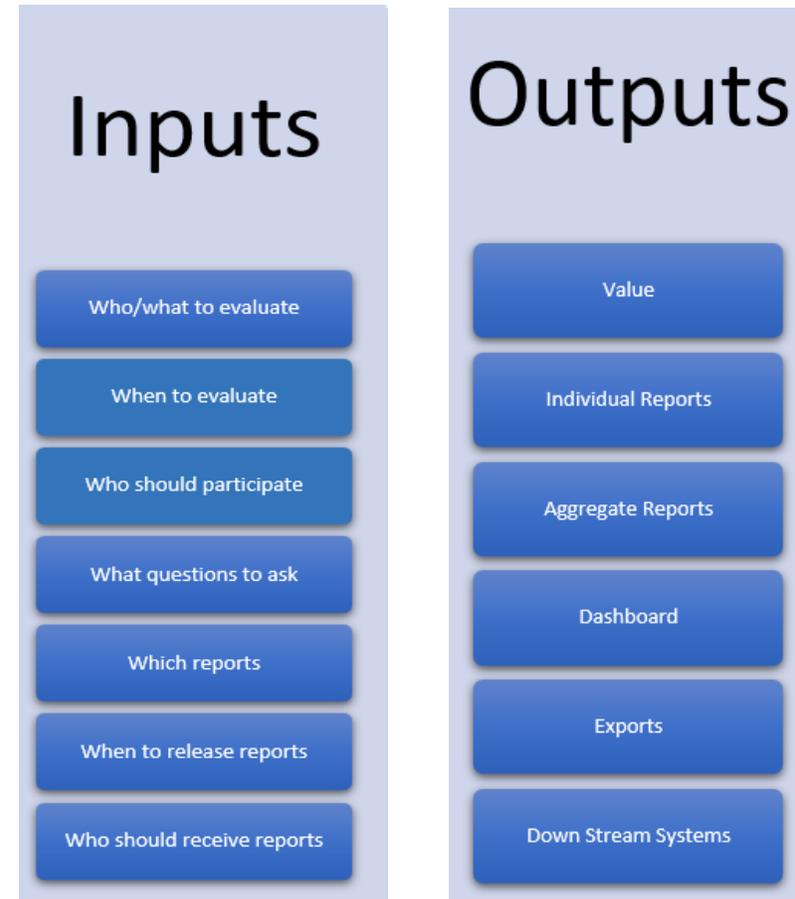
Answer

Several ways depending on the need!

- Week as subject
- Same as course eval setup but course split into weeks (in datasource or using DIG)
- Week: subject, Course: secondary subject using multiple definition & 3-level relationship to tie course to student

Tips on building new surveys

- Define your inputs/outputs
- Determine what can/should be:
 - Automated
 - Delegated
 - Managed

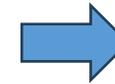
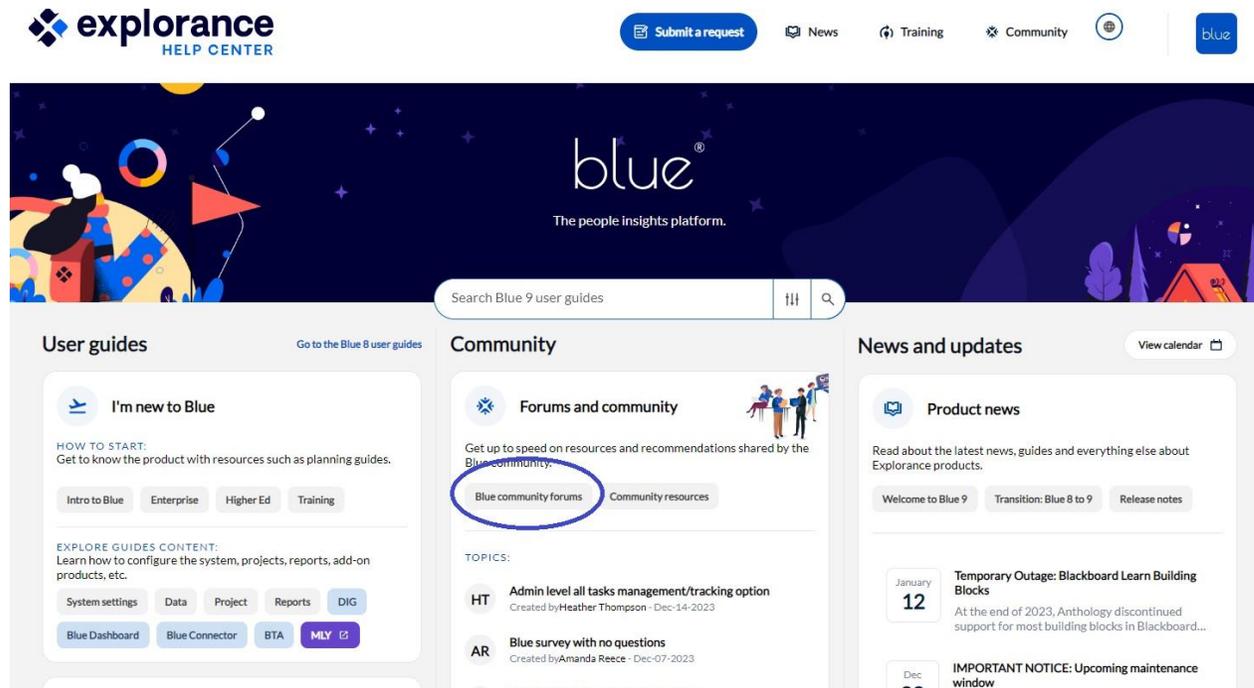


Resources:

- [Solutions and best practices](#)
 - This type of project will be a great addition, stay tuned!
 - [Use of Three-level relationship](#)
- [Fundamentals of Blue projects](#)
- [Data Integrity Gateway \(DIG\) power guide](#)



Community resources



[Learning-Webinar-Questions-Discussions-Post-Webinar-Follow-up-May-15-Ask-an-Expert](#)



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