Discuss - Changes for 12/18/12

Notifications
Students and Instructors will see notifications on objects that contain discussions. This notification will be displayed for any activity: Topic, Post, Response, and Reply.

A notification will also be visible on the Discuss button in the Toolbox.

As well as on the Topic
Display
After clicking on the Discuss button...

...the learning object will scroll down to the bottom of the object to reveal the Topics. (In the previous version, Discuss opened in an overlay window.)
All Topics are initially visible in a closed state, but can be opened by clicking on the +.
**View and Options**
The Instructor and Student views are very similar:

- Students cannot Filter and will not have that option
- If enabled, students will be allowed to create new Topics
- Students will be able to edit their own posts, responses, and replies, but not anyone else’s.
New Topics, Responses, and Replies will be highlighted in blue
Students and Instructors will click Respond to post a response to a Topic

Students and Instructors will click Reply to reply to another student or instructor’s response.