

User Guide

Availability condition: Time spent in the course (Section Time)

This plugin makes it possible to make activities accessible only after a certain working time has been measured in one particular section of the course. The measurement of this working time is obtained from the block [Use Stats](#) which must be installed beforehand in Moodle.

The usual process for using this plugin is :

- Open the course and set it into editing mode
- On an activity, or a section, go to the local settings and open the availability section.
- Choose a "Section Time" availability item
- Choose the focussed section
- Adjust the threshold time (given in minutes)

As a result any student having NOT passed enough time in the designated course section WILL NOT access to that activity or page.

Functional restrictions and warnings

- This plugin cannot evaluate the time passed in sections of **another course** to trigger the availability condition.
- This plugin is compatible with "page format" (availability for pages resumes the availability on sections)
- **WARNING** : You may NOT apply an availability on a section, focussing to itself. This would lock the possibility to spend time on the triggering section. This would be also the case by applying a Section Time restriction on the unique activity of the section, that would also lead to a deadend lock.

Credits

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