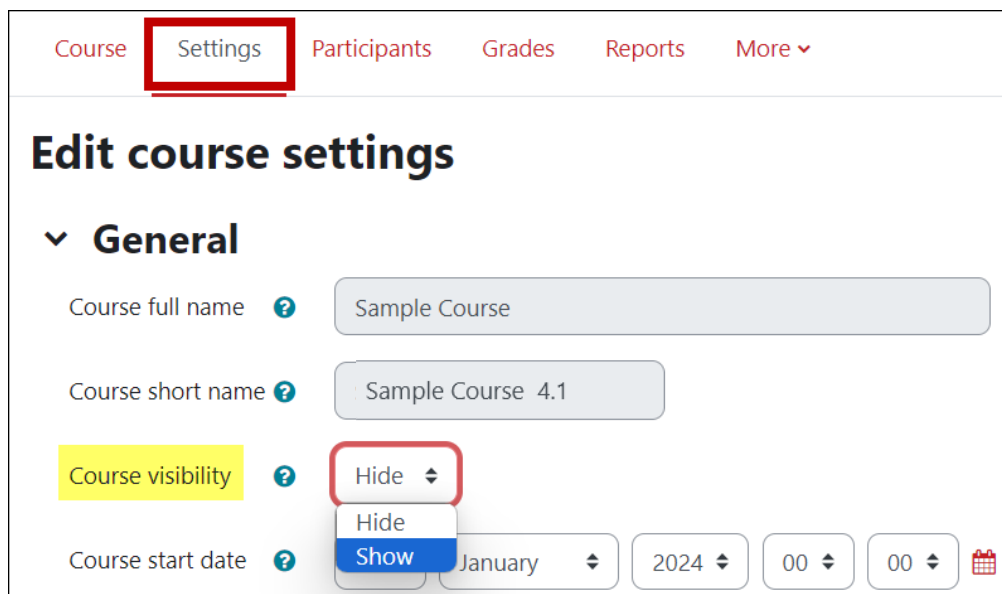


Moodle courses are created hidden and unavailable to students. When you are ready to make your course available, click on the **Settings** link at the top of the main course page. In the **General** options area, locate the field labeled **Course visibility** and use the pull-down menu to select **Show**. Scroll down and **Save changes**.



The screenshot shows the 'Edit course settings' page in Moodle. At the top, there are navigation tabs: 'Course', 'Settings' (highlighted with a red box), 'Participants', 'Grades', 'Reports', and 'More'. Below the tabs is the 'Edit course settings' section. Under the 'General' section, there are several fields: 'Course full name' (Sample Course), 'Course short name' (Sample Course 4.1), 'Course visibility' (highlighted in yellow, with a dropdown menu open showing 'Hide' and 'Show' options, where 'Show' is highlighted in blue), and 'Course start date' (January 2024 00:00). A red box highlights the 'Hide' and 'Show' options in the dropdown menu.

Once your course has been made available, it will be displayed toward the top of your **My courses** list on your Moodle landing page and will appear under **Recently accessed courses** in your dashboard.

You may note that the course end date is later than the last day of class. **Please do not adjust this date.** It has been set so that your course will remain available until after grades are due for the term. Changing the date may remove the course from student dashboards and result in significant consternation all around. For questions about course dates and other general course settings, please consult with your friends in the Center for the Advancement of Teaching and Learning.

! If you are not ready on the first day of the term or prefer to wait to make your course available, it's a good idea to send students an email message letting them know. This will reduce the number of help desk calls significantly!