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DDL's Best Kept Secrets...

While most students are aware that the DDL Department handles distance courses, there are a wealth of other activities the department is responsible for too, such as the **Certificate program in Radio and Television Broadcasting** complete with classroom instruction and labs, internships and programming. Students get hands on experience in SwVCC's television and radio studios, visit local stations, learn cutting edge software programs and get a feel for the business side of broadcasting. For more information about the Radio and Television Broadcasting Certificate program contact Lanna Lumpkins at lanna.lumpkins@sw.edu. Other services offered by the Distance and Distributed

Learning Department include **Multimedia Production Services:**

- Television studio productions
- Remote video and audio productions
- Video and audiotape editing
- Computer generated programs and productions
- Radio programming and productions

Distance Services:

- SVETN electronic classroom

- VCCS CVN electronic classroom
- ODU Teletechnet electronic classrooms
- Telecourse administration, coordination and production
- Internet delivered courses and web page development
- Video and Audio Conferencing


DDL is located on the SwVCC Richlands campus on second floor of Russell Hall. Staff can be reached 7:45 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday – Friday by phone @ 276.964.7279, fax @ 276.964.7686 or by email, sylvia.dye@sw.edu.



Customize a Blackboard Tab

Like to read a copy of the New York Times? Need a dictionary for class work? Interested in Movie Showtimes or TV Listings?

Blackboard can provide all of this information at your fingertips and in one convenient place.


1. Click on the Contents button 
2. Check the modules you

want to appear in your SWCC tab
Click the submit button at the bottom of the screen



The SWCC tab is the only tab that can be customized in this manner.

If you select a module and decide later you would like to remove it.

Click close button  in the upper right corner of the module

Modules without a close button are designated as essential and cannot be removed from the SWCC tab. If further instruction is needed, please contact the Blackboard Administrator at stacy.harris@sw.edu.





Register to use "ThinkFree Office" tools online free! Click the icon above!

Website of the Month

Is software moving to the web? Yes, it is a new trend. If you want to see a facet of the future and try it out, visit Think-Free Office and register for the free basic online version. It is an office suite much like Microsoft Office except with Think-Free, you can upload Office files from your computer and access them from anywhere. All you need to edit your files is a Web browser and the free Java plug-in. There are many neat features including the ability to:

- Create MS Office com-

patible documents from the web

- Open and edit Office documents 24/7
- Post documents directly to a blog without any conversion
- Create powerful Web presentations using a familiar interface
- Convert your existing documents to PDF
- Have 30MB of storage space

Now why would anyone want to do this in lieu of storing documents on a computer? Consider these points:

- Share documents with others
- Leave documents online for easier access when traveling
- Publish live documents within a blog
- Free access to create and store files

Visit www.ThinkFree.com for more information.

DDL Sponsors the Multimedia Club



Put creativity to work and break into the exciting fields of Radio, Television, Journalism, Photography and Web Design with the SwVCC Multimedia Club. Create broadcast video, audio programs, multimedia programs, games, literary creations, photography, internet design, graphic design or anything that qualifies as entertainment or education, then we

have the perfect platform to expand creativity!

The SwVCC Multimedia Club exists to further all students in the understanding and implementation of real world multimedia projects as well as support club members in the discovery of their own personal skill set. The perfection extension to an academic career, from entry students to seasoned seniors, the club strives to showcase student talent and create opportunity



for student involvement, in a positive environment through shared knowledge, hands-on experience and student portfolio development and reviews. The Multimedia Club meets during activity period on Thursdays from 12:10—1:00 p.m. in Russell Hall, room 206. For further information, please contact the club sponsor, Lanna Lumpkins at lanna.lumpkins@sw.edu.



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