IN THE NEWS

League of Innovation in the Community College Recognizes MInDSpace

MInDSpace—the Media and Instructional Design lab at BCCC—has been selected as a 2010 Innovation of the Year award winner by the League for Innovation in the Community College. The League is the only major international organization specifically committed to improving community colleges through innovation, experimentation, and institutional transformation.

MInDSpace engages students in learning and develops awareness and understanding of new media literacies and 21st century skills. Launched in Fall 2009 and residing in the Library, MInDSpace provides collaborative work-space; easy-to-use multimedia production tools; and expertise from librarians, instructional designers, and multimedia staff members for use by students, faculty, and staff.

Faculty members have long enjoyed access to an instructional design lab, but without enrolling in production classes, students have had nowhere to go to borrow or get help in using multimedia production and editing tools. MInDSpace changes that and meets this important need. Through MInDSpace, students learn and apply media literacy skills and gain confidence in their ability to find information, analyze it, and communicate what they learn. MInDSpace represents a sandbox for innovation, collaboration, and fun in learning and teaching.

The MInDSpace Team includes: Maureen McCreddie, Dean, Learning Resources; Karl Carter, Director, MInDSpace; Marilyn Puchalski, Professor, Teaching & Learning Technologies; Mary Ellen Bornak, Associate Professor, Instructional Designer; Jacqueline Fritz, New Media Librarian; and Matthew Seibert, Emerging Technologies Librarian. Congratulations to the MInDSpace Team and everyone at BCCC who contributes to making MInDSpace a success.

2010 Bucks Global Video Mash-up Competition Winners

Thank you to everyone who entered the 2010 Bucks Global Video Mashup Contest, an annual contest to demonstrate and promote media literacy and effective assignment design. Congratulations to our three winning teams -

3rd Place: ShoppingAddiction, Michael Brookins, Yelena Shvaya

2nd Place: Domestic Violence, Colleen Everly, Amber McElveen, Laura Toth, and Jen Wolstenholme

1st Place: A Day in the Life, Ray Cancila, Dan Compas, Paul Fugazzotto, Bernie Geiger, and Andrew Kobal

For more information about the contest, please visit http://www.bucks.edu/mashup/.
New Online Learning Courses & Faculty

This summer and fall BCCC students will be able to select from over 200 eLearning sections. In addition, several instructors will be teaching an eLearning course for the first time. Our new eLearning courses include:

- CISC128, Comparative Operating Systems
- H I S T 1 9 4, Planning/Sustainability
- HRIM100, Introduction to Tourism and Hospitality
- MEDA205, Medical Law and Ethics
- MGMT115, Introduction to International Business
- MGMT260, Project Management
- PSYC230, Neuroscience of Psychology
- SSWK110, Introduction to Social Services/CAC

Welcome to our new eLearning instructors:

- John Angeline
- Daniel Gross
- Mary Himmelstein
- Michael Hirsch
- Stacie Kisver
- Wayne Kobylnski
- Kristin Markey
- Christine Martino
- Erin Niclaus
- John Reder
- Lauren Richmond

Look to future publications of this newsletter for additional new eLearning course offerings. If you're interested in teaching an eLearning or Hybrid course, please speak with your AAD. You may find information about our OL workshops by clicking on the Online Faculty Info link at http://www.bucks.edu/online.

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Bb Vista for Dummies
Two Day Intensive Workshop Offered in August

An immersive two day workshop will be held on August 11th and 12th from 10:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m. at the Newtown campus.

This hands-on workshop is designed to assist instructors new to Bb Vista in utilizing this online course management system in support of face-to-face teaching.

Topics include, but are not limited to: getting started, assignments, assessments, communication, and creating web-ready documents.

Further details, including the registration form for this workshop, are available online at - http://bit.ly/djEN6r

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ONLINE @YOUR LIBRARY
Search the Library Catalog from Your Phone!

Do you have a smart phone or other mobile device? Would you like to use it to search the Library’s online catalog, ask a reference question, or contact one of the branch campus libraries? Well, now there’s an app for that!

Here are simple instructions for downloading and using our free Bucks Mobile app:

1. If you have an iPhone or an iPod Touch, go to the iPhone App Store and search for “Bucks” or “Bucks Mobile.” If you have an Android, go to the Android Market (use the same search terms) or to http://bucks.boopsie.com. For any other platform, point the browser of your device to http://bucks.boopsie.com.

2. Follow the simple instructions to download.

3. Now you’ve got the app! Look for the Bucks Mobile icon, open the app, and see what you can do.

Send us your feedback and your questions. If this pilot project is successful, you might start to see other College resources and services appearing in this app. Stay tuned!

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Welcome...
The Technology Learning Center is pleased to welcome Christopher (Chris) Lipczynski as our new full-time staff member. The staff in the TLC look forward to working with Chris.

Job Well Done...
Many of the Learning Resources faculty and staff participated in the 2010 Faculty of the Future Conference held on June 4th at the BCCC Newtown Campus. In its eighth year, Faculty of the Future provides a forum for professional development, encourages the exchange of ideas and best practices to improve student outcomes, and fosters networking experiences for higher education faculty. This year’s conference included the following presentations -

• Jacqueline Fritz, New Media Librarian, and Matthew Seibert, Emerging Technologies Librarian, MinDSpace: An Example of Uniting Multimedia, Technology Tools and Learning Objectives
• Mary Ellen Bornak, Associate Professor, Instructional Designer, ID: From Hot Buttons to Cool Techniques
• Richard Hodges, Part-time Reference Librarian, and Jacqueline Fritz, New Media Librarian, The Art of the Search: Using Technology to Develop Successful Research Strategies for Yourself and Your Students
• Marilyn Puchalski, Professor, Teaching and Learning Technologies, Are you Connected? The Future of Collaboration in Higher Education

For more information about Faculty of the Future or to access the abstracts for these presentations, please visit the conference website at http://www.bucks.edu/fotf/about.php.

Farewell...
Please join us saying goodbye to Marilyn Puchalski, Professor, Teaching and Learning Technologies, Learning Resources, who is retiring after 33 years with BCCC. Marilyn has been key to so many of the initiatives at the College, including the Faculty Center for Teaching & Learning, Teaching & Learning with Technology Roundtable (TLTR), and the Faculty of the Future Conference. Marilyn has been instrumental in bringing new technologies to Bucks, including desktop computing (new in the late 1980s) and Internet2 videoconferencing.

Not only is Marilyn a respected colleague, but she is a friend to many. Best wishes, and thank you, Marilyn.

New and Noteworthy in Learning Resources

This past spring semester the library initiated an automated notification service for library users to let them know when their library materials are due. Known as pre-due notices, these reminders are sent to Bucks email accounts three days prior to the item due date. This allows time for users to renew or return their materials.

Beginning this summer, the library will initiate automated overdue notices. Users will receive three overdue notices to their Bucks email accounts. For students, after the third and final overdue notice (four notices in all counting the pre-due notice), a block will be placed on their college account. Students will not be able to register for new courses or receive grades or transcripts until their library account is cleared.

Because placing blocks on student accounts will likely create better incentive for students to return materials, the library will discontinue collecting overdue fines for materials returned late. The library will continue to collect fees for replacement of materials and for damage to materials.

Learning Resources will get the word out in several ways, alerting users, particularly students, of the notification process and the new overdue policy. New bookmarks highlighting these changes will be available for distribution with all checkouts. Furthermore, the Library blog and web site will contain updated information.

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New Library Patron Notification Service

Lori Goetsch, President, Association of College and Research Libraries (ACRL) and Danielle Miller, YBP Library Services representative and the award’s sponsor, presented the 2010 ACRL Excellence in Academic Libraries Award to Elizabeth Graver, Chairman of the Bucks County Community College Board of Trustees, on Thursday, May 13, 2010.

The BCCC Library was recognized for its commitment to assessment, collaboration, and development efforts, which could not have come about without contributions from many faculty and staff members from all sectors of the College.

ACRL Award Presentation
Free Tutoring Available on All BCCC Campuses Throughout the Summer

The Tutoring Center provides free tutorial services for all BCCC Campuses to students currently enrolled in credit and non-credit courses offered by the College. Our services are for students who require help in math, writing, reading, study skills, American English as a Second Language (AESL), Spanish, computer science, music, nursing, and accounting. Additionally, we are excited about adding science tutoring for chemistry, biology, and physics this summer in response to ever increasing BCCC student requests.

Our summer hours at the Newtown Campus are Monday - Thursday, 10:00am - 6:30pm. The Center is closed on Fridays during the summer.

Newtown Math, Science, Accounting, & Computer Science

Math tutoring is available for most courses over the summer and is offered on a walk-in basis at the Newtown Campus. The Center also offers online math tutoring for students who are unable to visit our campus locations. Please see below for additional information. Students should check with us about tutor availability for their particular courses.

Our chemistry and biology tutors are busy helping students who schedule appointments at the Newtown Campus. The appointments last 30 minutes, and a student may schedule one appointment a day. Physics tutoring, however, is available on a drop-in basis throughout the day. Please refer to our website for specific courses covered. Extra science assistance is still available at the Science Learning Center located in Founders Hall, room 231A, at the Newtown Campus.

Accounting and computer science tutoring is available by appointment. Please check the website for hours for specific courses and call (215) 968-8044 by 5:00pm the evening before to schedule an appointment.

Writing, Reading, Study Skills, AESL, Music, and Spanish

Writing, reading, study skills, and AESL tutoring is available by appointment for any BCCC course. The appointments last 30 minutes, and a student may schedule one appointment a day. The Center also offers online writing tutoring for students who are unable to visit our campus locations. Please see below for additional information.

Spanish and music tutoring sessions are available by appointment. Please check the website for hours for specific courses and call (215) 968-8044 by 5:00pm the evening before to schedule an appointment.

Real-Time Online Tutoring

The Tutoring Center has also been piloting a new real-time online tutoring option using a web-based software. It is our hope that this service will help e-learning students and those unable to get to campus. If you are interested in this new service, please contact the Tutoring Center at (215) 968-8044, and ask to speak with Lauren or Nicole.

Additional Resources

Our website includes more information regarding locations, days and hours of operation, access to online writing tutoring, printable online handouts, and links to helpful web sources. It can be found at http://www.bucks.edu/tutor.

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Learning Resources Salutes Our Volunteers

During National Volunteer Week in April, Learning Resources recognized the contributions of our many volunteers. Please join us in thanking these valued members of our community: Anise Androkite-Burst, James He, Donna Gordon, Betty Hughes, Brian McAuley, Valerie Schrandt, Ernie Tkac, and Bob Wolfe.

National Volunteer Week is an annual celebration that recognizes the tireless citizens who drive change in our communities. For more information on National Volunteer Week, please visit http://bit.ly/cvISlC.

Interested in volunteering at BCCC? Please contact Nicole Tracey at traceyn@bucks.edu to volunteer in the Tutoring Center and Poonam Sood at soodp@bucks.edu to volunteer in the Library.

Pictured left to right: Brian McAuley, James He, Donna Gordon, and Bob Wolfe. Photo courtesy of Linda McCann, 2010
NEW DATABASE

Literature Criticism Online

Are you familiar with all of these volumes and volumes of literary criticism that are located in the Reference Section of the Newtown Campus Library?

Now we have access to nearly all of this material online and you don’t have to be in Newtown to use it!

Literature Criticism Online is the largest, most extensive compilation of literary commentary available in electronic format. BCCC’s subscription includes every volume of the following titles of these popular reference books:

- Contemporary Literary Criticism
- 20th Century Literary Criticism
- 19th Century Literary Criticism
- Shakespearean Literature Criticism
- Poetry Criticism
- Short Story Criticism
- Drama Criticism

Literature Criticism Online is accessible on all three BCCC campuses, as well as off-campus via your BCCC login. A link to it can be found on the Library’s Online Resources page at [http://www.bucks.edu/library/eresources/](http://www.bucks.edu/library/eresources/).

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LIVING HISTORY @YOUR LIBRARY

Honoring Our Fathers...Remembering the Sacrifice

Thank you to Mary Fravel, Barbara Gilmore, and Susan Amorello for sharing World War II artifacts and ephemera belonging to their fathers. These items were part of the display “Honoring Our Fathers...Remembering the Sacrifice” at the Newtown Campus Library to honor their fathers, as well as all veterans and their families, on Memorial Day.

Thank you also to Kyle Dixon, a former student worker in the Library, who shared his personal World War II autograph collection for a related display, “Kyle Dixon’s Private Autograph Collection of WWII Personnel.”

This amazing collection features autographs and correspondence from many World War II survivors, including a Holocaust survivor, an Iwo Jima flag-raiser from the first flag raising photo, a “Band of Brothers” soldier, a survivor of the U.S.S. Arizona, a survivor of the attack on the U.S.S. Utah at Pearl Harbor, and a Bataan Death March survivor who signed his name, “Ghost of Bataan,” a U.S.S. Indianapolis survivor, a Tuskegee pilot, the individual who armed the Atomic bomb on the Enola Gay, a British pilot, a German Luftwaffe pilot, a Doolittle Raider, and many others.

These inspiring displays can be viewed in the Newtown Campus Library throughout the summer.
Summer 2010 Library Hours
May 24th through August 12th
Monday - Thursday: 8:00am - 9:00pm
Friday through Sunday: closed

Exceptions: The Newtown Campus Library will be open and operating on reduced hours August 16th, 17th, 18th, 19th, and 23rd. Fall hours will resume August 24th at the Newtown Campus Library and August 25th at the Lower Bucks and Upper Bucks Campus Libraries.

All dates are subject to change. For more information, please visit http://www.bucks.edu/library/hours/hours.html or call (215) 968-8009.

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