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Classroom Technology Problems

Have you ever had trouble with the audio or video functions in your classroom? If the answer is yes, you will be happy to know that CoBE Support has created a multimedia classroom quick reference guide. You can find this quick reference taped to the inside door of all classroom computer desks in Carlson Hall. Many problems experienced with the classroom multimedia equipment can be solved by referring to this reference sheet. Be sure to take a look before your next class. As before, you can always visit Carlson 3016 or call x4981 for a helpful support technician to accommodate you.

Need Help?

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| CoBE Tech Support (Kevin and Chase) | x1594 | carlsoncalls@uww.edu |
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| Dr. Bob Schramm | x4980 | schrammr@uww.edu |
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Departmental Website Updates



We hope you are enjoying the new look of the CoBE web site. All academic department associates have been trained in keeping our website up to date. If you have any minor modifications that need to be made to your website, please contact your department representative, most likely the department PA. The CoBE Support team will still be conducting any major changes to the site. For more information, please contact us at our phone number above.

New CoBE Support Technicians

Kevin Nakielski is one of our new additions to the CoBE Support Office. He is a Freshman majoring in general business and ITI. Kevin began learning about computers when he was eight years old. He now enjoys working for the CoBE Tech Support helping the staff with their technology needs. If you have any questions or concerns with your office computers, or other technology related questions, Kevin is ready to assist. You can contact Kevin at the carlsoncalls@uww.edu e-mail or by phone at x1594. You will be reading about Chase Manz, our second CoBE Support technician in the next newsletter.



Audio Feedback Saves Time For Faculty

One student concern is the lack of in-depth feedback on case studies and papers. Faculty find typed or written comments to be time-consuming and overwhelming when viewing a large number of papers due in a short time period. One solution is to use Audacity software to record audio files that can be compressed into an mp3 format small enough to send to the student via email. Faculty can talk faster than they can write or type. Therefore, faculty can give students more in-depth feedback in a shorter time span, without experiencing pain in the hands and wrists due to extensive writing or typing. Audacity is a free software program and is user friendly. Please contact Dr. Schramm if you would like Audacity installed on your pc.

Student Blogs Now Online

Kevin Nakielski's Blog

- Time to study for the mid-terms! | Main | TIME FOR A BREAK! -

Family visits... gotta love them.

I received a phone call on Friday evening about my aunt and uncle wanting to come down to Whitewater on Saturday for a visit and a tour of the campus. They have always been there for me and my two older sisters when it came to going off to college. Each of us had gotten a visit by them our Freshman year at college.

They and their three kids, my cousins, are the most warm-hearted people you could ever meet. I really appreciate their thoughtfulness and their will to be such a huge part of my life.



Have you noticed our new student blogs? Kevin Nakielski, Lynsey Dew, Jon Hall and Lucas Schalewski have volunteered to be our test cases for the new CoBE student blog program. These brave individuals have agreed to post blogs and pictures throughout the year for our reading pleasure. Please check out our student's progress by clicking on "Student Blogs" on our CoBE web site or going directly to <http://www.uww.edu/cobe/blogs/>.

Peer Review For Course Redesign Grants

The Online MBA Program faculty will submit future course redesign and development grants to Quality Matters for peer review. The College has paid a Quality Matters membership fee and will pay for all course review expenses. If you have questions concerning the Online MBA grant process, please contact Bob at x4980.

Online Undergrad Program To Launch Spring '07

The online undergraduate business program has earned approval by the Higher Learning Commission and will officially begin in Spring 2007. All online undergraduate business program courses will be priced at \$360 per credit. This charge is a total charge per credit and is NOT added to traditional tuition as a technology fee. The traditional class 12-credit plateau will not impact the online course fee charge. These charges are based on a break-even analysis for the program based on our best projections for future growth. The online undergraduate business program is self-supporting and receives no tax dollar support.

Online Evaluations Available For All Classes

Online and traditional classes can now both use online evaluations. Just sign up for the evaluations at <http://cobetech.uww.edu/dmeval> and request your course be evaluated using an online survey. The following schedule applies to online course surveys this year. Beginning immediately, faculty will have the ability to view the students who have completed the online evaluation at anytime.

| Term | Dates | Closing | Edit Questions Starting On | Start Date | End Date |
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| Spring—1st 8 | 1/22 to 3/16 | Feb 19 | Mar 6 | Mar 12 | Mar 16 |
| Spring | 1/22 to 5/23 | Apr 13 | Apr 28 | May 4 | May 11 |