

Are You in the Slow Lane?

Teaching Students in the Fast Lane with Podcasting

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Agenda

- Gen Y students
- Educational technology
- Podcasting
 - What is it?
 - How to use it?
 - Where can you find it?
 - What are the pros and cons?

Who are we primarily teaching?

- Gen Y students
 - Born between years 1979-1997
 - FIRST GENERATION TO GROW UP WITH COMPUTERS AT HOME
 - E-mailed preferred communication form
 - Average students has two e-mails
 - 1/3 of life spent on internet
 - Very tech savvy
 - Video games
 - Cell Phones, Personal Digital Assistants (PDAs)
 - Music/Video Downloading (mp3s, video and podcasts)
 - Instant Messaging (AOL)
 - Prefer control of how information is accessed
 - Internet based applications (e.g., Blackboard)
 - Construct their own learning paths



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Educational Technology

- Computers/Internet
 - Blackboard
 - Discussion Boards
 - Webconference/Chat
 - Wikis
- Hi Tech Phones/Portable Digital Devices
 - Text Messaging
 - Internet
- Ipods/Digital Playback Devices
 - Podcasting

What is a Podcast?

- A Digital Broadcast of Files
 - Audio
 - Video

Podcasting

- Broadcasting digital media
 - Audio
 - Video
- Easily accomplished by
 - Using equipment provided by technology services
 - IPOD with microphone
 - Digital videorecording
 - Existing podcasts/digital media
 - Blackboard
 - Allows students to access your lecture at anytime

Searching for Educational Podcasts

- Educational Podcasts are available online
 - I-tunes
 - The Education Podcast Network
 - <http://coe.sdsu.edu/eet/articles/podcasting/index.htm>
 - Video
 - Google video has an option to only download podcast version
 - Google or Yahoo

Pros

- Students have access to lectures 24/7
- Some students may learn better with podcasts
- Useful for an online course
- Another mode of learning
- Self or peer evaluation of teaching

Cons

- Students rely only on podcast lectures
 - No longer attend your course
- Do students use the podcasts?
 - Only a small percentage used it in my class
- Preparation time
- Difficult to edit
- Quality
 - Don't have access to a studio

Summary

- Gen Y students
- Classroom Technology
- Defined Podcasts
- Search, Record, and Publish Podcasts
- Pros and Cons

Questions