

BOSSIER PARISH COMMUNITY COLLEGE

EDUCATIONAL TECHNOLOGY

New Kid on the Block



We would like to welcome a new member of the Educational Technology family. Mr. Charles Cameron will join our staff as the new "Assistant Director of Educational Technology." Charley is coming to us from NSU - College of Nursing. He was the Media Coordinator at the college for the last seven years. Prior to working with NSU, he was the Compressed Video Tech. at LSUS for two years.

Charley holds a B.A. in Radio and Television management and a M.A. in Communications from Northeast Louisiana University. He will be joining our staff October 30th.

Tips for Online Student Orientations

- Use a checklist about what one can expect as an online student may prove to be helpful.
- Use a FAQ (frequently asked questions) forum in discussion board.
- Provide a first assignment that requires students demonstrate familiarity with the Blackboard course management system.

New Ed. Tech. Books ordered for the BPCC Library

1. Increasing Engagement for Online and Face-to-Face Learners through Online Discussion Practices by Bedard-Voorhees, Alice
2. Preparing Learners for E-Learning by Piskurich, George M.
3. Collaborating Online: Learning Together in Community by Palloff, Rena M.
4. Online Student Skills and Strategies Handbook by Ganey, Loyd R.

Staff Information:

Kathleen Gay, Director

Gary Ware, Instructional Technology Specialist

Mark Hardan, Instructional Technology Assistant

Jennifer Legaux, Administrative Assistant

Fall 2006 Professional Development Training

Our division has successfully completed three separate Blackboard 6 Training sessions; each containing three modules. By popular demand, we added another Saturday training session.

*This session will be held on
Saturday, October 14th, 9:00 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.*

Upcoming Training

WYSIWYG

October 12th
12:20 - 1:20 p.m.

"Utilizing Discussion Board Effectively"

October 31st
12:15 - 1:15 p.m.

Blackboard Application Pack 3

October 10th or November 16th
12:20—1:20 p.m.

For more information on any of our training or to R.S.V.P. Contact Jennifer Legaux by phone at 678-6445 or by e-mail at jlegaux@bpcc.edu.

CAMTASIA Training will be making a comeback—TBA!

Ed. Tech. Statistics

- The 14-day student enrollment for online courses for the fall 2006 semester is 2,062 with 61 course offerings.
- Shown below is a graph of our support calls so far this semester. We have had a total of 103 walk-ins and phone calls and a total of 153 e-mails.

