About the NBC Learn Video Collection

The NBC Learn video archive (http://highered.nbclearn.com) is a subscription-based website that provides faculty and students at the University with access to thousands of videos, historic newsreels, primary source documents, and photographs. Materials come from NBC News and Universal movie newsreels as well as from respected partners such as the *Washington Post* and the Gilder Lehman Institute, and are divided into 26 categories, from History and Economics to Environmental Sciences and Women's Studies. Users can browse the complete NBC Learn archives and incorporate links to videos in course management systems such as Blackboard and Mentor, in PowerPoint presentations, or into faculty websites.

Creating an NBC Learn User Account

Since NBC Learn operates differently for users accessing videos from off campus versus on campus, C&NS strongly recommends that all faculty who wish to use the service, and all students who may be assigned to use it, create a user account on the NBC Learn website. Registering is easy, and can be done using any email address you wish (i.e., you are not required to use your @fairfield.edu or @student.fairfield.edu account). *The only requirement is that all NBC Learn user accounts must be created from an internet connection on campus.* This associates your user account with the University's subscription to NBC Learn and allows subsequent logins to establish you as a member of the Fairfield University community, even if you're off campus.

Incorporating Videos into Courses

Faculty who wish to use NBC Learn videos in their teaching have two basic options.

**Within a Blackboard Course:**
- The NBC Learn/Blackboard connector makes instructor-selected videos viewable to students directly within the Blackboard interface. Instructors can simply choose the NBC Content option from Blackboard's Build Content menu and then browse and preview the entire NBC Learn archive. With a single click, any video can be easily embedded directly into a Blackboard course page. No login is required for faculty to select, or for students to view, any of these selections.

**As a Link in Mentor, Faculty Web Pages, PowerPoint, or Other Electronic Presentations:**
- NBC Learn videos cannot be embedded in Mentor, faculty web pages, or PowerPoint presentations, but after logging in to the NBC website instructors can browse the archive and copy a video link into any web page or document. When students click the link, the NBC Learn website will launch and a separate video window will appear, prompting for login with the NBC Learn user account that's previously been created.

Complete instructions for embedding videos in Blackboard and copying links to Mentor, PowerPoint, etc. (including setting up an NBC Learn account), can be found on the C&NS Academic Computing web page at http://www.fairfield.edu/academiccomputing, under the heading NBC Learn.