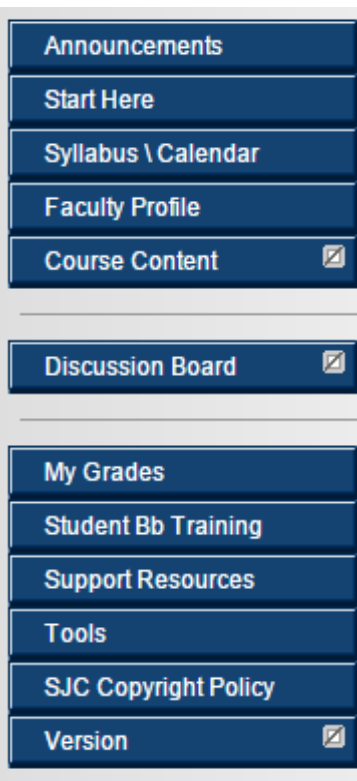


New Course Template

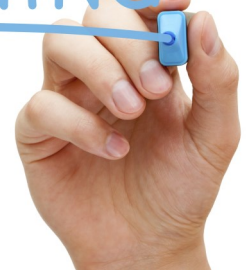
Beginning February 1, an updated version of the default Blackboard course site template was rolled out to newly created courses.

The following improvements were added to this version of the template:



- Student training videos were added to support student usage of Blackboard, Collaborate, NBC Learn and Turnitin.
 - A faculty tip on developing module objectives was added to the Course Content folder. This tip is hidden from student view.
 - Links to the SJC Copyright policy and procedure were added to a SJC Copyright Policy folder.
 - A Version folder was included to provide faculty with a list of the most recent updates to the template.
- For additional assistance, please contact the Blackboard Support Office at 281-542-2084, extension 2084 or bbsupport@sjcd.edu.

TRAINING



EDTECH OFFERINGS

- **WEBINARS**
- **TRAININGS**
- **CONVERSATIONS**

FERPA Regulations For The Online Environment: A Toolkit For Faculty & Staff
 ETID 1303 - EdTech: Webinar
 March 1, 2016 | 2:30 pm - 3:00 pm
 North Campus Kaleidoscope Room N2.124

EdTech Online Course Review: Applying the DL Rubric To Your Course
 ETID 1311 - EdTech: Online Course Review
 April 6, 2016 | 1:30 pm - 3:00 pm

Blackboard Special Topics
 BKBD 9099 - Blackboard: Focused Conversations
 March 9, 2016: Kaltura Video Platform
 April 14, 2016: Collaborate Web-Conferencing

EdTech Accessibility Basics
 ETID 1314 - EdTech: Focused Conversations
 March 22, 2016 | North Campus
 May 4, 2016 | Central Campus

Online registration is available through Success Factors Spark Learning.

For assistance with login usernames, passwords and course registration, please contact the Spark Technical Support Office at SPARKSupport@sjcd.edu, extension 6399 or (281) 998-6399.

To request training send an email to EdTech2@sjcd.edu

Blackboard Tool Feature: NBC Learn

NBC Learn is a video streaming subscription that includes over 16,000 video resources of historic and current events available to faculty and students within the Blackboard system. Videos are 2 -5 minutes in length and can be searched by topic, keyword or date. Topics range from Biology, Chemistry, Physics, U.S. History, Global Studies, Health & Nursing, Psychology, Business, Marketing, Journalism, Sociology and many more. New content is added weekly or can be requested. NBC Learn seamlessly integrates with Blackboard and enables instructors to embed content into

existing courses for delivery. NBC Learn recently spotlighted Marlon Nation, Adjunct History professor at Central campus. Professor Nation explained NBC Learn fits his classroom framework in three ways:

- Introduce Topics & Spark Discussion
- Reinforce Key Concepts
- Bring History to Life

[Marlon Nation NBC Learn Article](#)

For more information on how to use NBC Learn in Blackboard contact your campus instructional designer.