



NEWSLETTER

DISTANCE EDUCATION PROGRAM

Ready for an exciting Spring 2015?



New College Web Site

As some of you may have heard, ELAC just launched a brand new college web site back on Saturday, February 07, 2015. A few links have been moved around, so please explore the new site and get acquainted with the information on it.

Moodle Upgrades

Back on December 29th, 2014, our Moodle Hosting & Support Vendor, Remote Learner, upgraded our Moodle software version to v2.7. With this upgrade, East will have a long term supportable version that Moodle can standardize on.

New Features in Etudes

• **Larger File Uploads** - The default file upload limit is increased from 20MB to 100MB per file.

• **Word Count** - The Etudes editor now allows you to see the number of words that you have entered, as you type them. The word count feature is available to students and instructors in the editor throughout Etudes.

• **Ability to Delete Files** - There may be times that you want to remove files from your course sites that are no longer relevant to your content. Or, you may want to delete an old version of a document and upload a revised

version of the same file. This can be accomplished now by simply right clicking on a file and selecting "Delete".

• **Support for Captivate & Storyline** - Etudes now supports the ability to upload and display interactive Captivate and Storyline files in your course sites. Articulate Storyline and Adobe Captivate are amongst the most popular and widely-used e-learning rapid development tools among educators.

• To learn how to upload and link to Captivate or Storyline presentations, see the tutorial below. [More on Captivate](#)



Sidekick Resources from the California Community Colleges Chancellor's Office

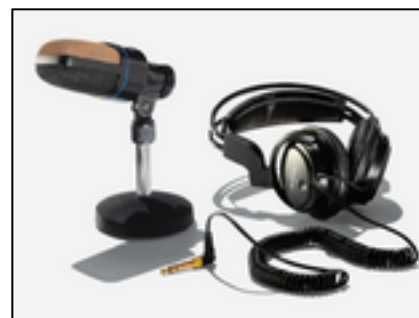
Sidekick is an innovative program that combines six free resources under one easy-to-access umbrella. With Sidekick, you have the tools you need to create inspiring and engaging content that meets the needs of diverse audiences, tough budgets and ever-changing regulations. [Learn More](#)

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and faculty development services contributed and used by an international education community. [Learn More](#)

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With the assistance of our Multimedia Specialist, you can enhance your courses by engaging your students with multimedia.

Email Juan Chacón at chaconjc@elac.edu to schedule an appointment.

TECHFEST 2015



TechFest is an ongoing series of instructional training workshops on a variety of topics, designed for both faculty and staff. For more information, please check out the TechFest Flyer below for an up-to-date list of available training sessions.