Miami Dade College - Using NBC Learn in Blackboard

NBC Learn Higher Ed is a collection of more than 20,000 videos, documents, and images that can be incorporated into classroom lectures and online teaching materials. The in-depth stories found on NBC Learn Higher Ed have all been subject to the highest journalistic standards of NBC News and are designed so that faculty can give their students access to digital content that is engaging, inspiring, and relevant to their daily lives.

Besides its rich collection of historic primary-source newscasts from the NBC News archive, NBC Learn Higher Ed is updated daily with the latest current events videos from NBC News and its portfolio. The resources will enable faculty to enliven instruction and use real-world examples to bring subjects to life for students. NBC Learn also creates original video series, including the Emmy Award-winning “Science of the Olympics” and “Science of NFL Football,” to support STEM subjects with compelling sports content.

**Browsing NBC Learn on Blackboard**

To access NBC Learn within Blackboard, first log into Blackboard ([http://mdc.blackboard.com](http://mdc.blackboard.com)). On your homepage, in the Tools section (lower left hand corner), you will see an assortment of applications. On the bottom of the list is a “Browse NBC Learn” link. Once clicked, it will automatically take you to the NBC Learn resources.

You can browse the various collections within NBC Learn Higher Ed which are located on the left hand side of the screen. You can click on any collection and it will take you to a listing of resources within the collection. Clicking on any of the thumbnails will automatically start the video player called a CueCard. The CueCard offers bibliographic information on its back by clicking on the backward facing arrow located in the upper right hand corner. If you see a resource you would like to save, click on the “Save” tab located at the bottom of the CueCard.

You may browse through the collections (located on the left hand side) or search using the search box located in the upper right hand side of the page.

If you saved a resource, you will be able to find the resource by clicking on the “NBC Learn Playlist” link located on your Blackboard Home page under the Tools Section.
Using NBC Learn Inside a Course

To add resources to a specific course, click on the “Courses” tab on the right hand side of the page and click into course that you would like to edit. Listed on the right hand side of the page are a variety of options. Click on “Course Tools.” Here you will be able to select the type of content that you want to create (announcements, blogs, discussion boards, etc.).

- **Discussion Board**
  - Scroll down to “Create New Forum”
  - Write a name for the Forum
  - In the text box, write a description. Example – Watch this Current Event video.
  - Go to the “Mashup” feature (located on the bottom row of text box), click the down arrow
  - Scroll to “Add NBC Content”, then click on it and you will be automatically directed to the NBC Learn resources.
  - Navigate to a video you want to use and click on it.
  - Once opened, click on the Embed tab located at the bottom of the CueCard.
  - The resource will be automatically placed within the textbox within Blackboard.
  - Scroll down the page to click “Submit”

- **Assessment**
  - Click on “Tests”
  - Click on “Build Test”
  - Write a Name for the Test
  - For the purpose of this example of using NBC Learn skip “Description” and “Instructions” and scroll down to click “Submit”
  - Click on the Create Question tab located at the top of the page, scroll down to Multiple Choice.
  - Add a Question Title
  - Within the Question Text, add the question you want the student to answer. If you want the NBC Learn video to be a part of the question, go to the “Mashup” feature (located on the bottom row of text box), click the down arrow
  - Scroll to “Add NBC Content”, then click on it. You will automatically be taken to the NBC Learn resources.
  - Navigate to a video you want to use and click on it.
  - Once opened, click on the Embed tab located at the bottom of the CueCard.
  - The resource will be automatically placed within the textbox with your test question.
  - Please note that a NBC Learn resource can be added to the question, the answer choices and/or feedback.

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