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**Student Tracking Systems**

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**TYPHON CLINICAL TRACKING SYSTEM****INSTRUCTIONAL SOFTWARE SPOTLIGHT**

Clinical experiences can now be entered, tracked and evaluated online thanks to software created by the [Typhon Group](#).

During a pilot this summer, students in the accelerated program used Typhon to log patient encounter information, such as demographics, clinical information, competencies, medications and clinical notes, into a one page web-based form.

IS IT CUSTOMIZABLE?

Yes, the software can be easily configured to track only those clinical experiences that are relevant to students at VCU. Much like Blackboard, course lists, clinical locations, preceptor information, medications, competency details... and more, are entered and modified using a simple web interface.

WHAT ARE THE BENEFITS?

Information entered into Typhon allows faculty to follow the progress of each student. Pre-built reports can be run by date, course, semester, clinical site, or preceptor. Faculty can also generate their own custom reports.

Students have access to Typhon for 3 years after graduation, giving them the ability to share their experiences and competencies with potential employers.

HOW CAN I LEARN MORE?

On Thursday, August 21st, Rick Wilson of the Typhon Group will be conducting an online orientation for students. This session will be held in Younger Auditorium from 1:45 - 3:00pm.

Kudos to Tanya Huff for evaluating and implementing this fantastic system!

UPCOMING OPPORTUNITIES**Training****Blackboard**

The training sessions shown below are offered by the Center for Teaching Excellence. Online registration is available at the following site: <http://www.vcu.edu/cte/workshops/workshops.htm>

Organizing Content

Thursday July 10
10am-12pm
Cabell Library, Room 320

Blackboard Communications

Thursday July 17
10am-12pm
Cabell Library, Room 320

Assessment and Evaluation

Thursday July 24
10am-12pm
Cabell Library, Room 320

Lotus Notes**Basics**

Monday, August 4th
1pm - 4pm
Technology Administration Building, 108

Calendar

Tuesday, August 12th
10am - 11am
Technology Administration Building, 108

VCU Mail Anywhere

Tuesday, August 19th
9am - 10:30am
Technology Administration Building, 108

Blackboard Academic Suite



There is a known compatibility problem between the new version of Firefox and Blackboard. Until this is resolved, we recommend that you use Firefox 2 or another browser, especially when uploading files.

Check your version:

Help > About Mozilla Firefox (Windows)
Firefox > About Mozilla Firefox (Mac)



Firefox 3

REMINDER

If you're teaching this summer, don't forget to back up your Blackboard gradebook!

Download Grades

HAVE STUDENTS TEST THEIR COMPUTERS!

At the beginning of the semester, or after the purchase of a new computer, students should be encouraged to run a few simple tests to guarantee their ability to use all of Blackboard's features.

These tests can be accessed from the **Downloads & Help** tab on Blackboard.

Checks to make sure the browser has everything it needs to run Blackboard. Provides links to free downloads if anything is missing.

My Browser Settings

Is your browser properly configured for Blackboard? Click the button to check.

Test Browser

[Wimba Live Classroom Check](#)

What Blackboard server you are attached to.
[Check Here](#)

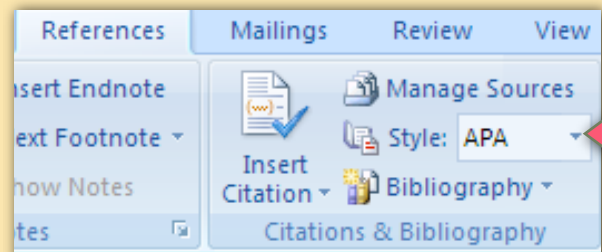
Tests the computer's ability to use text chat, audio and video in a Wimba Live Classroom.

Word 2007 Tip



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