

Library Instruction to CSUF Nursing Students Podcast vs. Classroom Delivery



Research Study Opportunity for NURS 505B Students

Thank you for agreeing to be a part of this study! You have been randomly selected to participate in the **PODCAST group** that will receive library instruction through several online modules. The content in the online modules and the classroom session covers the same material.

To access the library instruction modules go to:

<http://faculty.fullerton.edu/rclemens/nursing.htm>

1. You will see a list of modules (Welcome, Using Cochrane, etc.)
2. They are provided in several formats. You are welcome to try any and all of the formats. Let me explain the types:
 - **MediaSite** – is a streaming video format meaning the video doesn't actually download onto your computer, it is "streamed" which makes the load time faster. However because it doesn't allow you to save to your computer you cannot load onto an MP3 player such as an iPod.
 - ☺ **Vodcast** – is a video + audio file (MP4) that can be viewed using free software such as iTunes (www.itunes.com) or QuickTime (www.quicktime.com). And unlike the streaming format, it can be downloaded/saved to your own computer and then transferred onto an iPod or other portable media device if you wanted (more below).

I am hosting all of these vodcasts at <http://rclemens.podomatic.com/> and you can view/listen right from that website.

- **MP3** – is an audio-only file that can be heard using almost any media player (Windows MediaPlayer, iTunes, QuickTime).
3. The vodcasts and MP3 files are true podcasts meaning you can "**subscribe**" to this channel through an RSS feed. By subscribing to my site all the episodes (modules) will be pushed to your podcatcher and any new episodes will automatically download as they become available. To do this you need to first sign up for a free "podcatcher". There are several freebies:
 - iTunes (*my personal favorite*): (www.itunes.com) after you install iTunes on your computer you can subscribe to a podcast by clicking on **ADVANCED >> SUBSCRIBE TO PODCAST**. You will be prompted to enter the URL/webpage address of the podcast. For the nursing modules you would type in: <http://rclemens.podomatic.com/rss2.xml>

Once you have iTunes installed you can play both MP3 (audio only) and MP4 (audio + video) files through it. It's also fun because you can search for music and other podcasts (most of the podcasts are free) to download. Remember YOU DON'T NEED AN IPOD – you can use iTunes and play these files just fine on your computer. However if you do have an iPod you can load these modules onto it and listen to them on the go!

- my.yahoo.com: within My Yahoo you can “Add Content” such as podcasts. To subscribe to this podcast, enter the RSS URL:
<http://rclemens.podomatic.com/rss2.xml>

 - 4. I've also provided some digital handouts that you may read online or print out. They are in PDF format so you will need Adobe Acrobat Reader

 - 5. In late March or early April I will be asking you to sign an informed consent form and then conduct a short literature search in class – we will give you a specific topic and you will have 20 minutes to find appropriate literature and create a reference list of the best resources. At that time you will also be asked to complete a brief online survey about your experience, feedback, suggestions.
- Participating / not participating will have NO effect on your grade
 - The in-class literature search & online survey will have NO effect on your grade

 - I also don't want to inhibit any learning – so if you feel the online modules are just not meeting your information needs, please contact me and I'll be glad to set up an appointment to work with you one-on-one.

Questions, comments, more information – please contact:
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