

# Faculty and Podcasts

## What is a podcast?

Podcasting is a method of distributing audio and visual information using the Internet. The electronic files can be downloaded to electronic devices like iPods or computers and replayed at a convenient time. The term “podcast” is a combination of “iPod” and “broadcasting.” For more detailed information on podcasts, see the [Wikipedia](http://en.wikipedia.org) website.

## Where can I learn about podcasting?

Because podcasting is growing in popularity with students and faculty as a way of delivering educational content, the High Tech Center Training Unit in Cupertino is offering training for any faculty or staff member at Berkeley City College. You may register for this training at the following website:

<http://www.htctuttraining.net/trainingspublic.php>

## What does the training include?

- Understand the basic components of a podcast
- Know how to create an RSS feed (podcast)
- Have a reference for the features of different iPod devices in terms of accessibility
- Know about the accessible functionality of the iTunes software and the iPod devices as well as other podcast software and hardware
- Better understand the aspects of the MP3/MP4 format that can be used to make accessible podcasts

## How do I make my podcasts accessible?

You can provide a transcript for an audio podcast on your website. A video podcast should be captioned before being placed on your website.