Tegrity Highlights for Students - 2010

Bookmarks

Tegrity allows you to place your own personal bookmarks in recordings – right were you need them.

Let's say you are following along the instructor as he goes through a math equation, and at some point, the instructor divides by two, and you're not sure why.

Whether it is live in class, using your mobile device or laptop, or later during review, you can click on Unclear, and even add the comment "Why divide by 2". Bookmarks are represented on the timeline using colored dots and in the special Bookmarks panel so you can easily find them when you come to Tegrity to review.



Search

Tegrity's patented search anything technology makes learning efficiency soar. Tegrity enables you to search the course recordings for **any word or phrase presented in class as text** – whether it was part of a PowerPoint Slide, in a web page or in a computer application and on the screen. The system returns a list of references (with associated thumbnails and accurate titles) to every point where that text was presented in class. The playback starts immediately once a reference point is clicked. You can also navigate through courses and lectures or drill down the automatically generated visual index to find the right spots.

Playback Speed

Do your instructors speak too slowly or too fast? With Tegrity you can finally do something about it.

You can increase the playback speed up to 2x faster by adjusting the 'speed' slider and get done in half the time! Or if you have trouble understanding the instructor, you can decrease the speed to go at your own pace.

** This feature is currently only available when viewing recordings on a PC. It is not currently possible to change the playback speed on a Mac. The inability to control the playback speed is due to the technology that we use to replay the videos on the Mac. We strongly believe that it is important to add this feature to the Tegrity Mac playback experience and will do so when the underlying technology allows.



Tegrity Connect

Tegrity Connect is a new capability that adds a social learning element to Tegrity. This is for learning, and shouldn't be confused with chat capabilities found in social networking applications, or even those built into eLearning platforms. Tegrity Connect is different in 3 key ways.

The first, and most importantly, Tegrity Connect provides contextual collaboration, and I will give you an example of this. Let's say Robert needs some help in his photonics course, and who wouldn't need help in a photonics course! As Robert is viewing the material he is confused about, he sends a chat to Mike. All he needs to say is "I need help with this".

- When Mike receives the chat, there is a play button next to the chat text.
- If Mike clicks the play button, he'll be taken to the exact point in the lecture recording that Robert was viewing when he reached out for help. In this sense, they are both sharing the same context, making it easier to collaborate, and learn from one another.

The second difference is that there is no need to "invite" friends so they appear in your chat list. Rather, since Tegrity has user-context, we know which courses you're enrolled in, and who your classmates are, and we automatically build the chat list based on that information. This way, any classmates online automatically appear in your chat list, making it easy to reach out for help. And the fact that users tend to access Tegrity at specific times, such as the evening before an exam, means there is likely to be someone online to lend a helping hand.

