

# The Word on Language

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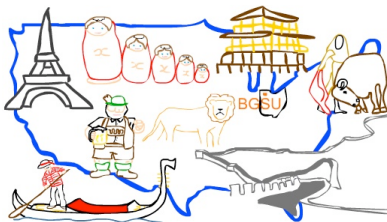


Digital Language Learning **for** the next generation...

## LLC News

### LLC Website

The LLC homepage is constantly changing. Our most recent addition is a flash video celebrating the languages currently taught on campus. If you have not seen it already, go to <http://www.bgsu.edu/llc> today.



### LLC Blog

The LLC now has a **blog** at <http://blogs.bgsu.edu/languagelearningcenter>.

Don't wait for the semesterly newsletter, the most recent news and technology updates can be found on the blog. It is updated about once a week, so swing by and check it out!

You can sign up for your own blog for free at: [blogs.bgsu.edu](http://blogs.bgsu.edu).



### Facebook

We now have an organization page on **facebook.com**. Go on and become a fan today! (You can find a link to the page on the LLC homepage.)

### Video Tutorials

We have begun making online video tutorials by request for instructors and students wanting to learn a software. Currently, we offer **How to Use Audacity** (digital recording software), **How to Record in iMovie 08** (movie making software), **Posting a Video Vlog** (in [blogs.bgsu.edu](http://blogs.bgsu.edu)). You can access these short informative videos either through the **LLC Blog** or through our main website under the **Admin Info** page.

If you have a request for an online video tutorial, please contact the coordinator, Amber Kent.



### New Headphones

The independent study area of the LLC has all new headphones! These headphones are bigger and heavier duty, which means they are sturdier and we *should* have less problems with the microphone boom breaking. The ear pieces are also bigger, and go around the ears, to help reduce distraction of surrounding noises. Also, these headphones are capable of *hardware play through*, which means that students can hear themselves as they are speaking.

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### Webquests

During the fall, both **Dr. Lynn Pearson's** Spanish graduate students and **Dr. Hassan Souleyman's** French and German graduate students contributed Webquests to the LLC Resources page. These include:

- *Allons y en Martinique* (FR 212)
- *Bon Voyage* (FR 101 or 102)
- *Nürnberg Christkindlmarkt* (GERM 201)
- *AYA Salzburg* (GERM 202)
- *Reise Nach Graz, Österreich* (GERM 201)
- *Ein FC Bayern Fußball-Spiel!* (GERM 101)
- *Día de los Muertos* (SP 102)
- *La Conversación en el Cibercafé* (SP 101)
- *Match.com* (SP 101)
- *Las Fallas* (SP 101)
- *Una Hora con Shakira* (SP 101)
- *¡Una Viaje a Madrid!* (SP 101)
- *¡Viaje de Semana Santa 2009!* (SP 101)

And, thanks to **Akiko Jones**, we now have our first Japanese webquest as well.

- *A Visit to Kyoto* (JAP 201)

<b>LLC hours</b>
Monday - Thursday 8:30 am - 7:00 pm
Friday 8:30 am - 5:00 pm

### LLC Server

The LLC server (which hosts the **LLC Audio files**, <http://llc.bgsu.edu>), has been overhauled. Instead of being hosted onsite via an old G4 Mac, it is now hosted through BGSU's ITS department via their online campus server. This server is larger, faster, and much more stable (due to its extensive back up measures) and is online NOW!

### LLC Staff

#### Coordinator

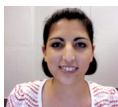
**Amber Kennedy Kent:** Amber has been very busy this school year. She attended the **2008 MidWest**

**Association for Language Learning Technology Conference at Case Western Reserve University** in Cleveland, OH on October 17 and 18, presenting "**Designing Interactive Webquests for the Language Classroom.**" She also taught an undergraduate speaking and pronunciation course for the **ESL department** in the Fall. She loves when she has the opportunity to teach, because she feels it helps her keep a pulse on the practical application of pedagogically effective teaching in language curriculums.

This semester she has already participated in the **CTLT's Teaching and Learning Fair** as part of her **Teaching, Learning, and the Transition to Digital learning community**. And she

will be attending (and possibly presenting) at the **2009 SEED Conference at the University of Findlay** May 7-8.

#### Returning Staff



**Rosie Crommet:**

Rosie is enjoying her senior year at BGSU. She is looking forward to graduation in May!



**Ashley Owens:**

Ashley loves studying Japanese and is actively involved in the Asian studies department.



**Sarah Tekle:**

We were very lucky to add Sarah to our staff in the Fall. She is a tremendous asset and makes a valuable contribution to the LLC team.

#### New Staff



**Elizabeth Schoch:**

We welcomed Liz to the staff in the Spring. Liz is from North Olmstead, OH. She is a junior majoring in Apparel Merchandising and Product Development with a minor in Marketing. She hopes to one day go abroad to study fashion.

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