

USING SCOLA

SCOLA is a non-profit educational organization that receives and re-transmits television programming from around the world in native languages. These programs are available via satellite, cable TV and the Internet to students of language, ethnic communities, and anyone seeking a global perspective. SCOLA currently provides five 24/7 channels of programming.

The University of Richmond is a SCOLA affiliate. The campus cable system broadcasts SCOLA Channel 1 on channel 13 throughout the campus. The Multimedia Language Laboratory routinely tapes the daily news from France, Spain, and Mexico; it will tape any other news on request.

SCOLA broadcasts can be kept indefinitely and edited for classroom use. The MMLL normally keeps each broadcast 1 week, but faculty members can request that we keep a particularly useful broadcast. It is legal to digitize, edit, and keep clips from SCOLA broadcasts for classroom use; faculty members can apply for the assistance of a Student Technology Fellow to do this.

SCOLA's Schedule and Taping Requests

SCOLA's schedules are available on the SCOLA web at <http://www.scola.org>. Click Program Schedules in the menu bar and select SCOLA Channel 1 to see what the University system is broadcasting. **SCOLA schedules are listed in Central time, so add an hour for Richmond.** There are also direct links from the **World TV** section of the MMLL web.

To request a taping, use the form on the MMLL web at <http://oncampus.richmond.edu/academics/langtech/services/tapingform.html>. You can get there more easily by using the **Multimedia Language Laboratory** link on either the LAIS or MLC site and then navigating to **Services for Faculty > Videotaping**.

SCOLA's Insta-Class

SCOLA's Insta-Class service provides a weekly lesson based on a SCOLA news broadcast. Each lesson includes a video clip, an audio-only version of the clip, a transcript, a translation, a vocabulary list, and a short quiz. These lessons can be downloaded from the password-protected site. They may also be viewed online by those who have the University's username and password. The online lesson format allows you to watch the video while viewing your choice of the supporting materials. (This works best in Internet Explorer.)

To use SCOLA's Insta-Class materials:

1. Contact Sharon Scinicariello for the Richmond username and password. You may pass this username and password to other faculty; please do not give it to students. (See next section.)
2. Go to the SCOLA site at <http://www.scola.org>.
3. Fill in the Richmond username and password and click **Login**.
4. On the screen that follows, select the language in which you are interested.

Insta-Class and Viewer Login

Username

Password

Login

Insta-Class



Ready-made multimedia classroom lessons.

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SCOLA Insta-Class Service

Arabic	Arabic(Al-Jazeera)	Chinese
Czech	Dari	Farsi
French	German	Hebrew
Hindi	Indonesian	Italian
Japanese	Korean	Kurmanji
Kyrgyz	Polish	Portuguese
Russian	Serbian	Spanish
Tajik	Thai	Turkish
Urdu	Vietnamese	

5. On the screen that lists available lessons, click one of the icons to play the segment or view the text (PDF). The online choice opens the online version of the lesson. The .zip choice asks if you want to save the entire lesson to disk. Choose this if you want to use the lesson on your own computer and/or make it available to students.
6. When you have completed your use of Insta-Class, remember to log off. **Logoff**

Insta-Class



Arabic Insta-Lessons Page

The Arabic Insta-Class lessons are based on the news from Dubai, UAE

Recording Schedule			
Origin	Channel	Time	Day
Dubai, UAE	5	0400	Monday

Date	Printable Document	Video File	Audio File	Web Document	Zip File	Online Lesson
02/12/2007						
02/05/2007						

Making Insta-Class Lessons Available to Students

Students should not have the username and password that enables them to access these lessons directly.

Beginning after spring break, the Language Lab will post a selection of these lessons on its web. A **SCOLA Insta-Class** link will be in the **Services for Learners** menu.

To use specific lessons in class or assign them as homework, faculty members should download the .zip file and post it to Blackboard for their students. For assistance in doing this, contact Sharon Scinicariello (sscinica@richmond.edu); she can also provide instructions to help students unzip and use the .zip file.

Note: Although Blackboard has an "unpackage this file" option, the SCOLA lessons are not configured for this; students will need to download, unzip, and open each element of the lesson.

For in-class use, a faculty member may choose to log in and use the online version of an Insta-Class lesson.

SCOLA's Videostream Service

The University of Richmond does not currently subscribe to SCOLA's streaming video service. If you think it would be useful to you, please contact Sharon Scinicariello about your interest. The Videostream service provides immediate access to all SCOLA channels via your computer.

The Videostream service is a timed service; the University will subscribe for a fixed number of hours. You need, therefore, to plan your use of this service; it is especially valuable for languages not brought in through the Language Lab's subscriptions to DISHnet. You must have QuickTime installed to use this service.

To access the Videostream:

1. Login to the SCOLA web.
2. In the Videostream menu, click on the channel you want to view.
3. On the next screen, click the **Go to live broadcast** link.

Videostream

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It is now 18 26 Central Time
GO TO LIVE BROADCAST

4. A new window will open. You can change channels by clicking the tabs at the top of the screen. End your viewing by clicking **Close**.



SCOLA's Week in Review

Perhaps the most useful aspect of a subscription to SCOLA's Videostream service is the ability to download and archive video files. SCOLA maintains a week's worth of programming in downloadable form. These files can be edited and archived for instructional use. (It is still to be determined if the downloading counts against the number of hours in the subscription.)

Caution: The downloadable files often do not exactly correspond with the program schedules. If you are interested in a specific language, you should download the file and view it to see if the segment you are interested in is complete. If not, you will probably find it in one of the surrounding files. Downloaded files can be easily edited together.

To access the files from the Week in Review:

1. Log into the Videostream service.
2. Use the Videostream menu and the daily tabs to navigate to the program you want.
3. Click the link in the **Downloads** column to save the file to your hard drive.
4. **Don't forget to log off.**

SCOLA Videostream Service and Week In Review						
Channel 2 Programming						It is now 18:44 Central Time
Programming from Spanish and Portuguese speaking countries.						GO TO LIVE BROADCAST
Friday 02/16/2007	Saturday 02/17/2007	Sunday 02/18/2007	Monday 02/19/2007	Tuesday 02/20/2007	Wednesday 02/21/2007	Thursday 02/22/2007
(Friday through Wednesday are downloadable Archives from the previous week)						
Central Time	Country	Program				Downloads
0005--0035	Catalunya (Catalan or Spanish)	lightly News: Noticias Itecs and current events from Barcelona (TV3)				200k
0035--0105	Venezuela (Venezuelan Spanish)	Evening News: Noticias Globovision from Caracas (Canal SUR)				200k