SacCT
Viewing Flash Content in Firefox Browser

WHAT IS SHOCKWAVE FLASH PLAYER

Shockwave Flash (the specific Adobe Flash Player for I.E. and Firefox) is a browser plug-in used to view multimedia, such as streaming video and audio. As of July 14, 2015 Mozilla has blocked the Shockwave Flash plugin from running automatically in the Firefox browser, due to stability and security concerns.

In this how to guide the following topics will be covered:

- How does this affect my SacCT course?
- Workaround to view flash content in SacCT course.

WHICH TOOLS IN MY SACCT COURSE ARE AFFECTED?

- SCORM Animations
- Publisher Interactive Content (i.e. McGraw Hill)
- Videos created using Captivate or Camtasia that are added into a course using a Content Item or Video option.

Do I have SCORM Animations in my course?

SCORM stands for “Sharable Content Object Reference Model”. Many plugins utilize SCORM, such as the Shockwave Flash Player. Generally SCORM animations are found within a SCORM Content Package that was uploaded to your content area. If you have a SCORM Content Package it will have an image of a box displayed next to the title of the SCORM package.
What does a SCORM animation look like?

Below is an example of what a SCORM animation would look like when the Shockwave Flash Player is functioning.
However, because the Shockwave Flash Player is being blocked by Firefox the SCORM animation would no longer be visible or interactive.

Publisher Interactive Content

The publishers affected include, but are not limited to: McGraw-Hill Higher Education and Pearson’s MyLab and Mastering.

Video in Content Items or Embedded

An instructor that has created a video lecture with software such as Captivate or Camtasia can upload it to SacCT by using the Content Item option or Video option as shown below.
WORKAROUND – ACTIVATE FLASH

There are two options to activate the Flash Player plugin, which include: Activating Adobe Flash and Checking for updates. To activate the Flash Player plugin click on the Activate Adobe Flash. Doing so will display the affected content in a separate window. To see if an update is available click on Check for updates.
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