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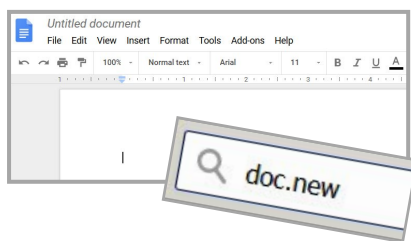
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A Handy Google Shortcut .new!

Google [has announced](#) a new time-saving trick for starting Google docs, slides, sheets and forms—and it works great! It lets you open a blank document, presentation, spreadsheet or form right from your URL bar! You no longer have to navigate to Google Drive to create.

Simply type these shortcuts (no www) into the browser URL bar for a quick jump into a new creation:



Docs: doc.new, docs.new, document.new

Forms: form.new, forms.new

Sheets: sheet.new, sheets.new, spreadsheet.new

Sites: site.new, sites.new, website.new

Slides: slides.new, deck.new, presentation.new

Did you know?

Tips for faculty

What is this Monday Morning Mentor email I am receiving in my inbox on Mondays?

As subscribers to [Magna Publications](#) we have access to presentations on various subjects related to higher education.



Each Monday a new presentation becomes available for viewing for **one week only**. Details regarding the featured presentation are delivered to CTL (which we forward on to all UCM faculty) and include the link to the presentation, the transcript, handouts and supplemental materials. There is always a short password required to view the feature, that's included in the body of that week's

email. We have an unlimited number of logins during that week of availability, so check them out and feel free to alert your colleagues if you see a really interesting topic!



Click [here](#) for the 2018-19 Planning Calendar!

Suggestions? Please click on our [Ideas box!](#)



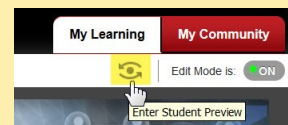
Faculty Watercooler

Faculty discussions on subjects that matter to you

Dear Debbie,

Q: I used to have a "student account" to enroll myself into a section I was teaching so I could see exactly what the students see. I no longer have that account and am wondering if I can get a new "student account". ~Just Wondering

A: Dear Wondering, since Blackboard Learn now has a feature called **Student Preview**, we no longer create "student accounts" for instructors to use as a test account. The very same function and view occurs when you use Student Preview. Here is a video that will tell you more about what Student Preview is and how to use it in your courses: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=JCrAQewg7ls>



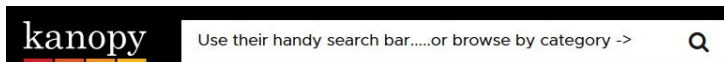
Email your questions anytime to ctl@ucmo.edu!

We are creating an online Q/A resource and will post the new link in the newsletter soon!



Keeping Up

The latest in Teaching and Learning



Film is a great way to engage your students, many of our faculty are using [Kanopy](#) to access valuable video inside their courses. Kanopy is free for all UCM faculty and student use, funded by our James C. Kirkpatrick Library. The free service features the Criterion Collection, Great Courses, Sundance and Oscar winning films and documentaries. Kanopy provides ratings, the ability to create a personal list, sharing links, embed codes for inserting directly into your course, and film clipping if you'd like to use just a portion. Closed captioning is available on many offerings. Great for student projects and research, too. Use Kanopy with your **UCM Gmail** (Google) **credentials**, enjoy!

