



**New Links for April 2011** – Please take a minute to check out this issue! For information on using these tools or joining the ET group, please contact Tammy Douglas at x2378 or [douglast@kellogg.edu](mailto:douglast@kellogg.edu).

- **ViewPure – Are you using YouTube videos** in your classroom? ViewPure is a very easy-to-use tool that strips away all the visual clutter surrounding a video. This helps your students focus on the intended information. Enter the link for the YouTube video into ViewPure and click 'purify'. Your video will display on a blank white or black background – no more advertisements, suggested videos/links or other potentially distracting items. A bookmarklet is also available for ViewPure. Simply go to <http://viewpure.com/> and click/drag the "purify" button into your bookmarks area. Next time you are viewing a YouTube video, click the Purify bookmark and you will instantly have your video displayed without visual clutter.
- **Change Picture Feature** – Have you ever needed to **change a picture** after you create your slide layout in PowerPoint? Wouldn't it be nice to swap the image without needing to resize and reposition the picture and disrupting all your work? A quick and easy solution is to right click on the picture and select "Change Picture". Another option is to double-click the picture to bring up the Format ribbon and click on "Change Picture". Locate your new picture and click OK. The new picture will retain all the picture box traits (e.g., drop shadow, rounded corners, and proportions).



**Faculty Highlight: Sarah Stout** – Communication Faculty member Sarah Stout is using Jing to supplement her online courses. Jing is software that allows Sarah to record video along with audio in short snips to add more life to her online classes. Students can view a screencast that welcomes them to class, reminds them of important details, or just adds something to the notes. Sarah has had positive reactions from her students, noting that there is more interest than just reading online. To see Sarah's COMM 101 welcome video, click <http://screencast.com/t/oIS86HiLXh>

NOTE: The technologies included in the ET newsletter are typically web-based and are subject to change by the vendor. Note also that many technologies require storage of your information on the web, so be intentional about the information you post outside of KCC's environment. It is important to be careful when sharing of student information (FERPA issues), maintain awareness of intellectual property rights, and recognize the potential instability and lack of backup that may exist with these products. If possible, always keep a copy of your information in your own KCC file share as backup.