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### Magna Online Seminar and MSU Reflections Improving Student Performance by Increasing Accessibility

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### Tools and Techniques for Improving Course Accessibility

*presented by*

**Keith Bain, Sobey School of Business\***

**Brenda York, Director of Disability, Re-Entry  
and Veteran Services**, will conclude the session by  
answering questions about accessibility at MSU.

**R**esearch suggests that at-risk learners often benefit from reading—as well as listening to—lectures and presentations. The technology already exists: there are a variety of options available and differing strategies for using the various tools. But which approach is best for you and your students?

In his engaging audio online seminar, Keith Bain will employ various activities to help you understand the benefits and applications of transcription technology. Among them are a simulation exercise that allows you to experience the challenges facing students with learning and hearing disabilities, a transcription puzzle, and a “treasure hunt” challenge showcasing the value of accessible media. Bain will also share several demonstrations of how audio and video can be transformed into accessible media.

*This workshop is worth  
1 unit toward the  
**Certificate of  
Teaching Enhancement.***

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information.](#)*

**Tuesday, Jan. 17, 2012**

Animal BioScience Bldg., Rm. 138

Presentation: 12:00-1:30 p.m.

*Please bring a brown-bag lunch;  
coffee & dessert will be served*

**Please RSVP to [annea@montana.edu](mailto:annea@montana.edu)  
by Monday, Jan. 16, 2012**

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