



WebDrive® Strengthens Clarion's Model for Success

Enrolling more than 6,500 students, Clarion strives to challenge each student and encourages partnerships between students and teachers that demand hard work and dedication. Clarion believes enthusiastic students with a willingness to learn give teachers a proper foundation to create a strong model for success. Clarion provides opportunities for each student and knows that successful learning extends far beyond the classroom.

Clarion wanted to give students, faculty and staff a solution increasing their capabilities on-campus while allowing them to stay connected off-campus. Clarion discovered WebDrive and after viewing a WebDrive presentation at a national conference determined WebDrive to be the right solution. Students, faculty and staff rely heavily on WebDrive and now have the ability to access their files from home.

Students take online courses that require the need to publish web pages. Using a browser, students found it difficult to move files correctly and have now switched to WebDrive as their solution. "WebDrive is very user friendly and the drag & drop capability is easy to understand," claims Jean Vilberg, Manager of Learning Technologies. "The ability to have an application they can use easily from home has improved their experience."

Clarion instructors have found WebDrive just as helpful in their Smart classrooms. The need to transport files using a CD or disk has been eliminated. Professors can now access their files for instruction from their WebDrive account during class. In addition, professors have the ability to set up a WebDrive account for each individual class allowing students to drop their assignments in the directory for review.

WebDrive is currently installed on 925 staff, faculty and lab system computers throughout campus. Connecting to a SUN Solaris 8 Server, WebDrive serves as a backup storage application for their primary computer. Clarion believes that WebDrive will be helpful for future projects requiring "collective review of prepared documents."

About Clarion University

Clarion University of Pennsylvania, founded in 1867, specializes in preparing students for professional careers in fields such as education, business, and science. Clarion enrolls more than 6,500 students from 31 states and 30 countries. Offering over 90 degree programs, the university is a leader of the Pennsylvania State System of Higher Education in the number of nationally recognized programs.