



## INFORMATION COMMONS SPECIALTY TOOLS

### *AUDIO TOOLS*

**Audacity** is a digital audio editing tool, allowing users to record, edit, and mix audio tracks.

#### ***Assignment Ideas***

- Podcasts
- Interviews
- Commercials
- Individual/Group recordings (narration, performance, music)

### *IMAGE TOOLS*

**Adobe Photoshop CS3 Extended** is a digital imaging tool, helping users to edit and create images and graphics.

**Adobe Illustrator CS3** is a vector-based drawing tool, enabling users to create advanced graphics and designs.

**Adobe Fireworks CS3** is a graphics editing tool, helping users to edit images. It is similar to Photoshop and Illustrator, but particularly designed for web graphics.

#### ***Assignment Ideas***

- Photograph/Image manipulation
- Logo/Image creation

### *PDF TOOLS*

**Adobe Acrobat 9 Pro** is a PDF tool, allowing users to create and manipulate PDF files.

#### ***Assignment Ideas***

- Resumes
- Electronic portfolios

## **PRINT DESIGN TOOLS**

**Adobe InDesign CS3** is a page layout tool, allowing users to create print media.

### ***Assignment Ideas***

- Advertisements
- Banners
- Brochures
- Cards (business, greeting)
- Newsletters
- Posters

## **VIDEO TOOLS**

**Windows Movie Maker** is a video editing tool, allowing users to create videos.

### ***Assignment Ideas***

- Movies
- Documentaries
- Commercials
- Interviews

## **WEB DESIGN TOOLS**

**Adobe Dreamweaver CS3** is a web development tool, helping users to create web pages.

**Adobe Contribute CS3** is a web editing tool, allowing users to make changes to web pages in a simplified environment. Contribute is also a management tool, allowing multiple users to work on a document at the same time.

**Adobe Flash CS3 Professional** is a digital authoring tool, permitting users to add animation and interactivity to web pages, as well as create other features.

### ***Assignment Ideas***

- Web pages
- Web portfolios

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## **GETTING HELP**

For assistance in using these tools or in developing relevant assignments, consult one of the following subject specialists:

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