**Open broadcaster Software**

OBS tutorial –Helpful hints / Important notes

* Download at obsproject.com (version for MAC or PC)
* If you decide to use OBS for your video, plan to set your environment and then record a simple test video where you test “scenes” to make sure they look like they are supposed to. It’s always good to do a 15 second test recording, to make sure the scenes look like you want them to.
* OBS can make your computer work hard, so often time the fan really gets going.  The recordings will sound better if you use an external microphone that is farther away from the computer — so it doesn’t pick up the fan noise.
* Prof. Niemier has found that he frequently must re-add the window he wants to capture to the scene — or delete the old one and add a new one — even if he opens the same PPT presentation.  This might be b/c the file name or process ID changes — and OBS doesn’t recognize it anymore. Or maybe it’s some other reason.  He has never tried to debug this as just doing the re-add takes like 10-15 seconds.
* It will probably take you 15-20 minutes of testing even after you have your scenes set up correctly to make sure they are doing exactly what you want them to do.  (Plan on this / test it to be sure they are getting the content you want.)
* To see things properly, you might want to download the video: When playing this from Box, the resolution looks lower, but when playing the video on your computer (downloading it first) the resolution is higher.