

## **Using MovCaptioner for iTunes U**

MovCaptioner is a good and simple software for captioning videos. But, I have yet to find out how to get it to create captions for iTunes U videos that can be turned on and off. If it can be done, and when I find out, I'll let you know.

Until then, follow the instructions below and your videos will have a professional look. And those who will need captioning will appreciate it very much.

Remember, captioning is for the hard of hearing and hearing impaired (Deaf). They are use to a certain standard. Following the standards below will make their viewing easier and more enjoyable.

### **In MovCaptioner**

When you are done captioning, and before exporting, set the Text Window Properties to the following:

Font type: Arial, Cambria or Times New Roman

Size: 14, plain, white

Background color: black

Height at 40 pixels.

Check 'Translucent background'

#### *NOTE:*

*If you leave the background color solid, it will not allow the viewers to see what is behind the captions. If you make the back ground another color besides black, and the text another color besides white, the captions will be distracting to viewers who don't need them. Also use a familiar, easy to read font type like Arial, Cambria or Times New Roman. A size 14 font combined with the height at 40 pixels allows for 2 lines of text at a time, which is common in captioning.*

In the Export Menu choose Embedded Quick Time. Your video will automatically open in Quick Time.

### **In Quick Time**

When your video opens in Quick Time, in the File menu choose Save As and then in the 'save as window' choose 'Save as a self-contained movie'. Your movie is now ready to load into iTunes U.

### **In iTunes U**

After Loading Your video into iTunes U, in the title, indicate that the video is captioned. Most do it this way, "The History of Tower Hall (captioned)".