AV upgrades (Salomon, Rock & RI Hall)
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We are undertaking technology upgrades in Salomon 003, 004, 203, 204; Rockefeller A9, 205, 206 & 412 and RI Hall 008, 108 & 109 over spring break (March 26 - 30). The upgrades include state-of-the-art laser projectors or HDR 1080p flat panels.

To keep pace with evolving industry standards, we are moving to all digital signal transmission (HDMI). This means the equipment we install to process video signals will no longer support VGA (analog). Those of you who connect laptops to the room system using the provided cable will need an HDMI dongle (if your laptop does not have an HDMI port). We will gladly provide you a dongle should you need one.

We will also be eliminating optical disc players (DVD, BluRay) for this and all future installations. Media Services can digitize material which can then be made available through your Canvas course page. For help with video digitization, please contact Movies@Brown.edu. We can also loan you a portable BluRay player (which connects via the same HDMI cable used for laptop projection).

Finally, we are deploying a new classroom AV standard that was rolled out in Sayles and Smith-Buonanno over winter break. This standard will simplify the process of connecting to the installed AV system. In these upgraded spaces, you will enter the room and connect the HDMI cable to your laptop (or wirelessly via AirMedia). The room system will auto-detect your device, drop the projection screen (where motorized screens are installed) and turn on the projector or flat panel monitor. In most cases, you will not need to interact with the AV control panel.

If you have any questions, please reach out to media_services@brown.edu

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