Notetaking

Livescribe Smartpen
The smart pen uses a camera and a microphone to track pen strokes and record audio. With the smart pen students only need to write key words to highlight parts of the presentation; the audio syncs to the notes. Then, in their own time, students can return to any point in the audio presentation by simply touching a word or sketch in their notes. Adding audio to their notes allows students to have a more comprehensive record of the important points they want to remember from a class, meeting, lecture or conversation.

Sonocent Audio Notetaker
Audio Notetaker can record lectures, interviews, Skype calls, and even online videos. It makes it possible to concentrate on listening while taking minimal notes, and easily review the recorded material later. It presents recorded audio as speech bars that are easy to annotate and navigate. These bars can be enhanced with colors, text, images, screenshots, slides, and PDF documents, and text and references can also be added.

Kurzweil 3000
Kurzweil 3000 is a sophisticated text reader; however, the program also offers a rich array of features, writing, and study tools to reinforce core reading skills such as decoding, fluency, and comprehension. Kurzweil 3000’s multi-sensory approach gives students access to text and allows students to take notes in the margin, highlight critical information, create outlines or flash cards from highlighted text and much more.

Read and Write
Read & Write is a simple yet powerful reading and writing solution that goes above and beyond standard text-to-speech tools. It offers a wide variety of supports to help students read independently, comprehend more of what they're reading, see and listen to definitions of unfamiliar words, and highlight important sections. In writing mode, it can help students carry out and organize research, translate from Spanish or other chosen languages, and convert text documents into audio formats.

Text-to-Speech
Utilizing Kurzweil, Read and Write and other applications, our text-to-speech workshops will focus on software and apps that enable students to read electronic text from sources such as e-books, websites, documents created in word processing programs and scanned documents.

Speech-to-Text
With Dragon Naturally Speaking, students can use their voice to dictate and format text, open and close programs and windows, interact with email and much more. Our speech-to-text workshops will focus on speech recognition, dictation, and training students to work hands-free with our computers.

Study Skills
Utilizing Read and Write and Kurzweil 3000, our study skills workshops will focus on note taking while reading electronic texts, annotating electronic texts, using templates for writing assignments, using graphics based brainstorming diagrams, creating outlines, and creating study guides and language translators.

Mobile Apps Workshop
Our IOS and Android workshops will focus on notetaking, text-to-speech, math, collaboration and accessibility applications that students may find useful during their academic experiences. Students are encouraged to share educational apps they are currently using with the TSC staff so that we can research and share these apps with other students.