iMovie for JAMS Lab iMacs

Important: These instructions are for use with iMovie on a JAMS lab computer. If you're editing a project on an iPad or iPhone, refer to the **iPad and iPhone**: **iMovie for iOS Basics** instructions on **Tech Resources for Students**.

Also important: The iMacs in BOL 296 are running an older version of iMovie (the iMacs in BOL 510 and BOL 521 are running a newer version of iMovie.) Therefore, if you start a project in BOL 296, you will only be able to work on it in BOL 296. Likewise, if you start a project in BOL 510 or 521, you can only use iMovie in BOL 510 or BOL 521.

Transferring media from iPhone/iPad to JAMS lab iMac

- 1. Using **Mac to USB cable**, connect the iPhone or iPad to a **JAMS lab iMac**.
- 2. On the **iPhone** or **iPad**, a window will appear asking if you can trust the computer. Click **Trust**. (Note: If you use a **passcode** on your **iPhone** or iPad, you will need to enter it as well.)
- 3. On the iMac, **iPhoto may open**. **Close iPhoto**. Do not use iPhoto to transfer your media to the iMac.

Opening iMovie

- 1. Go to **Go** on the **menu bar** and choose **Applications**.
- 2. Select iMovie.
- 3. If prompted with a dialog box, click **Continue** and then click **Get Started**.

Creating a new Event

Events are where your **media files** (video, audio and images) live after you've imported them into iMovie. By default, iMovie will automatically create an **Event** whenever you import media files.

- 1. To manually create an **Event**, **Control-click iMovie Library** in the **Libraries** pane (upper left.)
- 2. In the **fly-out menu**, choose **New Event**.
- 3. Give your new **Event** a name. You can select this **Event** when importing media files into iMovie.

Creating a new project

- 1. In **iMovie**, go to **File** on the menu bar. **Choose Create New Movie**.
- 2. In the **Theme** selection area, choose the **Simple** theme.

- 3. Give your new movie an appropriate name.
- 4. When prompted to select an **Event** (the area on the iMac where the media files will reside) choose the default **Event**.

Transferring media to iMovie

- 1. Click **Import** button. The iMovie **Import window** will appear.
- 2. In the **Cameras** area, select your **iPhone** or **iPad**.
- 3. Select the videos you would like to use in your project.
- 4. Click **Import Selected**.

Previewing clips in the Video Browser

- 1. Select a clip in the iMoive Video browser.
- 2. Click the Play button in the iMovie Canvas to view the content of the clip.

Adding a video clip to the timeline

- 1. **Drag select** the portion of the video clip you'd like to add to the **timeline**. The clip will appear highlighted with a yellow border.
- 2. **Click and drag** the selected area of the clip from the **Video Browser** into the **timeline**.

Trimming a video clip in timeline

- 1. In the **timeline**, select the clip you'd like to trim.
- 2. **Click and drag** the left or right edge of the clip to create a new **In** or **Out point** for the clip in the **timeline**.

Splitting a clip in timeline

- 1. In the **timeline**, select the clip you'd like to **split**.
- 2. **Control-click** the clip. In the **fly-out menu**, choose **Split Clip**.

Moving a clip in the timeline

- 1. In the **timeline**, select the clip you'd like to move.
- 2. Click and drag the clip to its new location. (Note: Due to iMovie's magnetic timeline, a clip will snap to the beginning or end of the closest clip.)

Deleting a clip in the timeline

1. In the **timeline**, select the clip you'd to delete.

2. Press the **Delete key** on the keyboard to delete the clip from the timeline. (Note: If need be, you can always bring the clip back in to the timeline from the **Video Browser**.)

Using Undo and Redo

- 1. Go to **Edit** on the **menu bar**.
- 2. Select **Undo** or **Redo**.

Working with video clip transitions

- 1. In **Content Library** area (lower left of iMovie), select **Transitions**. The **Transitions library** will open in iMovie.
- 2. To add a **transition** between two clips in the timeline, click and drag a **transition** from the **Transitions library** to the space between the two clips in the timeline.
- 3. To change an existing **transition** in the **timeline**, click and drag a **transition** from the **Transitions library** over a **transition** in the **timeline**.

Creating a cutaway clip in the timeline

A cutaway clip displays the video of the topmost clip in the timeline while playing the audio of the clip beneath it.

- 1. In the **timeline**, select the clip you would like use as a cutaway clip.
- 2. **Click and drag** the clip above another **clip** or **transition** in the **timeline**.

Creating an audio clip from a video in the timeline

- 1. In the **timeline**, select the clip you would like to use as an audio only clip.
- 2. **Click and drag** the clip beneath another clip or transition in the timeline.

Adjusting clip audio levels

The nominal audio level in iMovie is 100% (this means the audio level has not been raised or lowered in iMovie.)

In iMovie, audio clip adjustments are applied to an entire clip in the timeline. If you need to adjust only a portion of the audio of a clip, you can split the clip in the timeline (see Splitting a clip in the timeline.)

- 1. To adjust the **audio level** a clip in the **timeline**, click the clip to select it.
- 2. In the **iMovie Canvas** area (upper right), click the **Adjust** button.
- 3. In the **menu bar** that appears above the **Canvas** area, click the **speaker icon**.

4. In the **Adjust** area, click and drag the **volume slider bar** to change the **audio level** of the clip you have selected in the **timeline**. (Note: Do not use the volume slider that adjusts the output audio of the iMac.)

Adding titles and lower thirds text to video clips

- 1. In the **Content Library** (lower left), select **Titles**. The **Titles library** will open in iMovie.
- 2. To add a title or lower thirds to a clip in the timeline, click and drag a **title** from the **Transitions library** to a clip in the **timeline**.
- 3. In the **timeline**, double click **TITLE TEXT HERE**. The title text will appear highlighted and ready for changes in the **iMovie Canvas** area (upper right.)
- 4. Make changes to the title text in the **iMovie Canvas** area (make sure spelling and grammar is correct.)
- 5. To **delete** a title from a clip, select the **title** in the **timeline** and then press the **Delete key** on the keyboard.

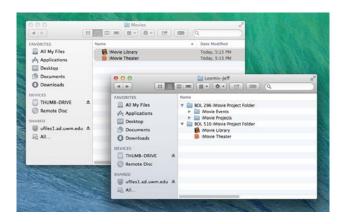
Adjusting titles and lower thirds duration

- 1. To adjust the duration of a title in the timeline, click the title in the timeline to select it.
- 2. Click and drag the title duration handles to increase or decrease the duration of the title.

Saving an iMovie project to your class folder

There is no **Save** button in iMovie. As you work on an iMovie project, all of your changes are automatically saved to the iMac's **Movies** folder.

To save your iMovie project, you will go into the iMac's **Movies** folder and copy the content of that folder to you're **iMovie project folder** in your **class folder**. To continue working on an iMovie project, you'll reverse this process by copying content from your **iMovie project folder** to the iMac's **Movies** folder.



Creating an iMovie project folder on your class folder

- 1. Connect to your **class folder**.
- 2. In your class folder, create a new folder called iMovie project folder.

Opening the Movies folder on a JAMS lab iMac

- 1. Click the **Desktop** to make sure you're in **Finder mode** (the word **Finder** will appear in upper right corner of screen.)
- 2. On the **menu bar**, click **Go**. From the drop down menu, select **Home**.
- 3. In the **Home** window, open the **Movies** folder. You will see two items in the **Movies** folder:
 - If you're working in **BOL 510** or **BOL 521**, you'll see **iMovie Library** and **iMovie Theatre**.
 - If you're working in BOL 296, you'll see iMovie Events and iMovie Project.

Copying content of Movies folder to iMovie project folder

- 1. In the **Movies** folder, select **both files** (**or folders**).
- 2. Copy **both files** (**or folders**) to your **iMovie project folder** in your **class folder**. (Note: To open another **Finder window**, click the **Desktop** and then press **Command N** on the keyboard.)

Continuing work on an iMovie project

To continue working on an iMovie project, you'll need to copy **both files** (**or folders**) in your **iMovie project folder** to the **Movies** folder on the iMac. After you've copied **both files** (**or folders**) to the **Movies** folder on the iMac, your project will automatically open when you open **iMovie**.

Opening iMovie project folder on your class folder

- 1. Connect to your **class folder**.
- 2. In your class folder, open your **iMovie project folder**.

Opening the Movies folder on a JAMS lab iMac

- Click the **Desktop** to make sure you're in **Finder mode** (the word **Finder** will appear in upper right corner of screen.)
- 2. On the **menu bar**, click **Go**. From the **drop down menu**, select **Home**.

Copying content of iMovie project folder to Movies folder

- 1. In your class folder, select both files (or folders) in your iMovie project folder.
- 2. Copy **both files (or folders)** in your **iMovie project folder** to the **Movies** folder on the iMac. (Note: To open another **Finder window**, click the **Desktop** and then press **Command N** on the keyboard.)

After you've copied the files in your **iMovie project folder** to the **Movies** folder on the iMac, you can open iMovie. Your project will automatically open in iMovie.

Repeat this process to save your project or to continue working on it.