# **Download Audacity**

- Go to: <a href="http://audacity.sourceforge.net/">http://audacity.sourceforge.net/</a>
- Click on: Download Audacity (Select MS Windows or MAC)
- Then select Audacity installer and Audacity will open with the auto install wizard.

## How to Record

- Open a new file in Audacity
- Click the Record Button (the red circle, it is the 3<sup>rd</sup> button from the left on menu bar)
- Speak (record what you would like to say)
- Click the Stop Button (the yellow square, it is the 5<sup>th</sup> button from the left on menu bar)

## NOW YOU NEED TO EXPORT THE FILE

- Go to File: and select Export as MP3
- Enter name and then click on save
- A form will appear, Complete the form ( It will have the following fields shown below)
- > Title
- > Author
- > Album
- There will also be other fields, and all of these fields are optional
- Finally, Click OK

<sup>\*</sup>Make sure to install LAME from this site as well. LAME will allow you to export/save these files as .mp3 files.

### **How to Load Audio in BB:**

Now that you have recorded and saved your file in an mp3 format, this is a very simple process.

### Here are the steps:

- 1. Select the content area in which you would like to be able to add an audio file
- 2. Scroll over the Build Content button and select create item (you may also select audio, but add item as it will allow users default audio player to open the file)
- 3. Next, fill in the Name and go to the Attachments(#3) and click "Browse My Computer"
- 4. Once you click on this button, an window will pop up to choose your file. Go and select your audio file.
- 5. Select that file (double click on it)
- 6. Hit Submit, Then Hit OK
- 7. The file has now been loaded into your course as an mp3 file and is easily accessible by most default audio players. You will notice that Blackboard automatically creates a audio menu bar for the file as loaded in the course.