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BLACKBOARD 6 TRAINING

Introduction to Blackboard 6.0

For instructors, teaching assistants, and IT support staff, this course focuses on the basics of 1) posting content to Blackboard sites, 2) using Blackboard's communication tools, 3) customizing sites, and 4) controlling access to them. Blackboard's strengths and limitations as a courseware platform will also be discussed. Attendees are encouraged to bring their course materials with them on disk.

To enroll in this class, go to <http://help.unc.edu/tracs/> and click the class name. Then click on the [\[enroll\]](#) link for the session you want.

CIT ANNUAL REPORT

The 2002/03 annual report for the ITS Center for Instructional Technology is available online at <http://www.unc.edu/cit/annualreport/annualreport-2003.html>.

NEWS FROM IBIBLIO.ORG

ibiblio.org is a nonprofit Internet collaborative at the University of North Carolina - Chapel Hill. New resource of local interest that was recently added to ibiblio.org: website with information and schedule for the 8th Annual North Carolina Gay & Lesbian Film Festival held in Durham <<http://www.ibiblio.org/carolinatheatre/ncglff/>>.

To check all the recent ibiblio additions, go to <http://www.ibiblio.org/collection/collection.php?second=n>.

For more information about ibiblio.org and links to all ibiblio collections, see <http://ibiblio.org/>.

ITRC TIP: USE MS NARRATOR TO READ SCREENS

Windows XP includes utilities for the speech- and vision-impaired. One of these programs is Microsoft Narrator. To work with Narrator:

-- select Start, All Programs, Accessories, Accessibility, Narrator

or

-- press the Windows key plus the letter "U" to open the Utility Manager.

Microsoft Narrator will start automatically. Once you've read through the introduction screen (or let the Narrator do it), click OK, and you'll see a dialog box of Narrator options. If you want to leave Narrator running, select the desired options, then minimize its dialog box. Close the Utility Manager window if it's open.

To turn Narrator off, click the Exit button or right-click its taskbar item and select Close.

ITRC TIP: RECYCLE ACCESS TABLES

Did you know you can create a copy of a Microsoft Access table without copying all the data it contains? Here's how:

1. In the Database window under Objects, click Tables.
2. In the Object list on the right side of the Database window, highlight the table that has the structure you want to copy, and then click Copy on the toolbar.
3. Click Paste on the toolbar.
4. Give the new table a name and click Structure Only under Paste Options.

The new table inherits all the field properties from the original table. You can then alter field names and properties as appropriate.

For more computing assistance, contact the Information Technology Response Center, Undergraduate Library.

Walk-in Hrs: 7:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Submit a help request on the Web: <https://www.unc.edu/ar-bin/websub/index.pl>

Tel: 962-HELP -- 24 hours/7 days a week

Email: help@unc.edu

ITRC website: <http://www.unc.edu/atn/itrc/>

CITations Tips Archive

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CONFERENCE ANNOUNCEMENTS

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March 14 & 28

April 11 & 25

May 9 & 23

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