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2006 TLT CONFERENCE

The 2006 UNC Teaching and Learning with Technology Conference will be held at the Hilton North Raleigh on March 15-17, 2006. "Vision, Leadership, and Collaboration" is the 2006 conference theme.

This annual conference, held since 2000, provides professional development for UNC personnel who are interested in the effective use of technology for teaching and learning (TLT). The term TLT means teaching methods and learning environments that incorporate computer-based technologies. TLT can take place in traditional classrooms or online.

For more information about the conference or to register to attend, visit the TLT Conference website at http://conference.unctlt.org/.

CTL SPRING WORKSHOPS

The Center for Teaching and Learning invites you to join us for our Spring 2006 events. We offer open-enrollment workshops throughout the semester, addressing a wide variety of teaching topics. All workshops are held in room 207 R.H. House Undergraduate Library, 12:00 noon - 1:30 p.m.

Upcoming workshops include these and many more topics:

-- The Commoner's Guide to Technical Jargon

-- Creating Online Communities

-- Finding and Using Open Resource Learning Materials to Promote Instruction

-- Visualization Techniques to Enhance Learning

For a complete listing and descriptions of all Spring 2006 CTL workshops and to register for any workshop, go to

http://ctl.unc.edu/cal.html.

-- Center for Teaching and Learning
316 Wilson Library
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REFWORKS AND ENDNOTE SPRING WORKSHOPS

The University Library Instructional Services is offering several RefWorks and EndNote workshops this Spring. Each class is held in the Davis Library Instruction Lab, Room 246.

For more information on or to sign up for a RefWorks class, go to http://www.lib.unc.edu/instruct/refworks/.

For more information on or to sign up for an EndNote class, go to http://www.lib.unc.edu/instruct/endnote/.

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REP0RT ON TEXTBOOK CRISIS PANEL DISCUSSION

The program for the UNC-Chapel Hill Scholarly Communication Working Group's January meeting was "Is Textbook Pricing in Crisis?" -- a panel discussion on the current state of textbook publishing and pricing. A *Daily Tar Heel* report of the meeting is available at http://www.dailytarheel.com/vnews/display.v/ART/2006/01/13/43c73c1eb35ce?in_archive=1.

DECEMBER 2005 ISSUE OF CIT INFOBITS

CIT Infobits is an electronic service of ITS CIT. Each month the CIT's Information Resources Consultant monitors and selects from a number of information and instructional technology sources that come to her attention and provides brief notes for electronic dissemination to educators. To subscribe link to http://mail.unc.edu/lists/read/subscribe?name=infobits.

Articles in the December 2005 issue (http://www.unc.edu/cit/infobits/bitdec05.html) include:

Large-Scale Study of Distance Learning Effectiveness
Distance Learning and Faculty Concerns
Questioning the Value of Learning Technology
Comparison of Scholarly Print and E-Journal Editors
New Journal Covering Plagiarism in the University Community
Google Launches Newsletter for Librarians Wikiversity

All back issues of CIT Infobits are available on the Web at http://www.unc.edu/cit/infobits/index.html.

PODCASTERCON 2006 A GREAT SUCCESS

PodcasterCon 2006 (http://podcastercon.org/) was a free one-day conference held on campus on January 7th to discuss and learn about podcasting. More than 300 people attended; one third came from out of state. Video streams of some of the sessions are available at http://www.rtptv.homestead.com/rtppodcastercon.html and comments on the conference are available at http://www.technorati.com/search/podcastercon.

PODCASTING LINKS

For more about podcasting, see these links created by the Center for Instructional Technology's Jason Morningstar (mornings@email.unc.edu):

Tech bits and best practice
http://www.unc.edu/webaccess/training/podcasting/

Podcasting for Teaching and Learning
http://www.unc.edu/webaccess/training/podcasting/podcasts_teaching_learning.pdf

Accessibility podcasts
http://www.unc.edu/webaccess/podcasts.html

Jason's RSS feed information
http://www.unc.edu/webaccess/podcasts/rss_test.xml

UNC-CHAPEL HILL RESEARCHER STUDIES FACEBOOK USE BY CAROLINA CLASS OF 2009

Facebook is an online social networking directory that has become the rage on college campuses since it debuted in 2004. College students have created around six million accounts. Students make personal profiles pages, which typically contain photos. They can exchange messages and join groups of friends. Profiles often contain a lot of personal information such as relationship status and sexual preference.

Fred Stutzman, a doctoral student in the School of Information & Library Science, has just completed a study of Facebook use by freshman from the Carolina class of 2009. Read more about it at http://chimprawk.blogspot.com/2006/01/student-life-on-facebook.html.

ITS LEARNIT WORKSHOPS

There are still spaces available in the following LearnIT workshops. To read a workshop description or to register for any of these workshops, go to http://help.unc.edu/tracs/. For a list of other workshops, point your Web browser to http://LearnIT.unc.edu/ and select the link to "Current Schedule of Workshops."

If multiple dates are listed, the workshop is offered on each of those dates.

Blackboard for Beginners
January 17

Remedy Request for Service: Getting Started
January 17

Accessibility: Introduction
January 17

Online Check Request System Training
January 18

MPI for Parallel Computing
January 18, 20, 25, and 27
(Please plan to attend all 4 sessions.)

FRS Online Training
January 19

Accessibility: Evaluation
January 19

Web Authoring with Mozilla
January 19

Accessibility: Flash and Multimedia
January 23

Online Journal Entry System
January 24

Email: Ten Ways to Fight Spam
January 24

Web Authoring: Page Styling with CSS
January 25

FRED (Flexible Routing of Electronic Documents)
January 26

Accessibility: A Su Salud!, A Multimedia Case Study
January 30

CITATIONS TIPS ARCHIVE

The ITRC, CBT, and Listserv tips published in *CITations* are archived on the Web, so you can locate tips without having to search through all the back issues. The tips archive is at http://www.unc.edu/cit/citations/tips.html.

CONFERENCE ANNOUNCEMENTS

Stay informed about technology conferences with the CIT's "Education Technology and Computer-Related Conferences" at http://www.unc.edu/cit/guides/irg-37.html and "Calendar of World-Wide Educational Technology-Related Conferences, Seminars, and Other Events." The calendar is at http://confcal.unc.edu:8086/.

2006 CITATIONS PUBLICATION SCHEDULE

January 13 & 27
February 10 & 24
March 10 & 24
April 7 & 21
May 12 & 26
June 9 & 23
July 14 & 28
August 11 & 25
September 8 & 22
October 6 & 20
November 3 & 17
December 1 & 15

CITations welcomes announcements from all UNC-Chapel Hill campus organizations involved in instructional and research technology. To have an announcement considered for publication in *CITations*, send email to Carolyn Kotlas, kotlas@email.unc.edu, or call 962-9287. The deadline for submissions is 11:00 a.m. the day before the publication date.

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