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NEW SASB COMPUTER LAB OPENS FOR SOUTH CAMPUS USERS

On Friday, October 5th, ITS opened its newest computer lab in the new Student and Academic Services Building (SASB) on South Campus. The lab has 24 traditional desktop computers for single-use work, as well as nine "Smart Zones" equipped with 50" plasmas with smart board overlays and VGA cable for laptop connection. Smart Zones are available on a first-come, first-serve use -- no reservations are required. The lab will be open 24/7; a OneCard will be needed for access after 10:00 p.m.

Three side rooms are available with audiovisual equipment that can be used for meeting space, classroom space, break-out meetings, and other activities.

For more information about this and other ITS-supported labs and printing stations, go to http://its.unc.edu/labs/.

CTC RETREAT REGISTRATION STILL OPEN

The 2007 Annual Carolina Technology Consultants (CTC) Retreat will be held this month. Learn about changes in the IT world that are affecting the Carolina campus and catch up with your fellow IT staff. Over 15 UNC-focused presentations and discussion events for Carolina's professional IT community.

The event is free and breakfast and lunch foods will be provided. You still have time to register for this event. Registration will close at 200 registrants.

When: 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m., Friday, October 19, 2007

Where: Great Hall, Frank Porter Graham Student Union

Register for the event and for CTC membership at http://ctc.unc.edu/. You do not have to be a CTC member to attend the retreat.

The CTC is a voluntary, cooperative effort aimed at professional computer support providers at UNC-Chapel Hill. For more information about the CTC, go to the CTC website at http://www.unc.edu/ctc/.

-- Dave Powell, Chair
CTC Advisory Board
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TALK ON LEARNING COMMONS IN LIBRARIES

The topic for the October Scholarly Communication Working Group's brown bag lunch meeting is "Learning Commons in Libraries." Speakers are Lisa Norberg, Coordinator of Instructional Services, UNC-Chapel Hill Libraries, and Joe Williams, Director of the Learning Commons, NCSU Libraries (http://www.lib.ncsu.edu/learningcommons/).

The role of the library is changing in response to new patterns of scholarly communication and new approaches to teaching and learning. NCSU and UNC-Chapel Hill, as leading academic libraries, are at the forefront of these changes, and have been developing new learning spaces to meet the growing needs and rising expectations of students and faculty.

Norberg and Williams will discuss current learning space implementations at the UNC-Chapel Hill and NCSU Libraries, providing brief overviews of the technologies and services available, observations on current uses, and sharing plans for future services and spaces.

When: 12:00 noon - 1:00 p.m., Wednesday, October 10, 2007

Where: Room 214, Manning Hall (Please note the location listed in the Gazette calendar was incorrect.)

All faculty, staff, and students are invited to attend this talk.

The Scholarly Communication Working Group is sponsored by the Odum Institute. For more information about the group, go to http://www.unc.edu/schol-com/.

OLD BLACKBOARD SITES SCHEDULED FOR DELETION

As part of the regular maintenance of the UNC-Chapel Hill Blackboard system, this fall ITS will delete:

(1) old Blackboard sites created for courses listed with the University Registrar for the semesters prior to Fall 2005, and

(2) Blackboard sites created by request before August 2005 for either teaching or non-teaching purposes.

The deadline to submit site exemptions is Wednesday, November 14, 2007.

Blackboard sites available to students as of September 25, 2007, will not be targeted for deletion even if created within the timeframes mentioned above.

To see the list of your old Blackboard sites targeted for deletion, please go to the old sites targeted for deletion checker at http://its.unc.edu/tl/tli/bb/deletes/.

For more details and information on how to make backup copies of your Blackboard sites, go to http://its.unc.edu/tl/tli/bbnews/?p=252.

PITCAM IS BACK

After being offline due to area construction projects, Pitcam, the webcam in front of Student Stores, is back online. You can check it out and other campus webcams at http://its.unc.edu/tl/webcams-map.php.

NEW VERSION OF BFREE AVAILABLE

bFree, developed by the University of North Carolina-Chapel Hill Information Technology Services' Teaching and Learning division and Released in March 2007, is a course extractor that makes a stand-alone website from any Blackboard course content. The tool has recently been updated. The interface is easier to use and the program now extracts more types of course materials.

To learn more about bFree or to download the program, go to http://its.unc.edu/tl/tli/bFree.

DIGITAL MEDIA AND LEARNING COMPETITION CALL FOR ENTRIES

Duke University-supported HASTAC (Humanities, Arts, Science, and Technology Collaboratory) Initiative and the John D. and Catherine T. MacArthur Foundation invite you to enter the Digital Media and Learning Competition.

Application deadline is 8:00 p.m. EDT, Monday, October 15, 2007.

To learn more about the Competition, visit http://www.dmlcompetition.net/.

ITS STAFF PRESENT WILL AT INTERNET2 MEETING

ITS Teaching and Learning's Assistant Vice Chancellor Charlie Green; Kathleen Kyzer, senior manager for Academic Outreach and Engagement; and Larry Taylor, Second Life developer; will present "Immerse Yourself: Delivering Instruction in Virtual Worlds" at the Internet2 Member Meeting on October 10 in San Diego, CA. The ITS Teaching and Learning presentation is one of only 15 chosen to be netcast.

In partnership with faculty, ITS Teaching and Learning is mapping, designing and delivering new curriculum across Internet2 that promotes higher order thinking and improved student outcomes. One feature of this curriculum is the use of virtual worlds. The presentation will focus on the pursuit of virtual worlds for integration into instruction.

You can view a live stream of presentation online at 10:30 a.m. PDT (1:30 p.m. EDT) by using the direct link at http://events.internet2.edu/2007/fall-mm/sessionDetails.cfm?session=3441&event=273.

RED HAT FOUNDER TO SPEAK ON CAMPUS

ibiblio kicks of its 15th year with a talk/discussion with Bob Young, founder of Red Hat, Lulu.com, and Lulu.tv. For more information, see http://www.ibiblio.org/speakers/index.cgi/2007/10/3#bobyoung.

When: 3:30 p.m. - 5:00 p.m., Tuesday, October 30, 2007

Where: Room 103, Stone Center, UNC-Chapel Hill

For more information about the speaker, see http://www.ibiblio.org/speakers/index.cgi/2007/10/3#bobyoung. Facebook users can also check out http://unc.facebook.com/event.php?eid=5432314676.

For more information about Red Hat, see the article in the Daily Tar Heel: http://media.www.dailytarheel.com/media/storage/paper885/news/2007/09/27/StateNational/Local.OpenSource.Provider.Thrives-2995502.shtml.

ibiblio is a collaboration between the University of North Carolina-Chapel Hill and the Center for the Public Domain. For more information and links to all ibiblio collections, see http://ibiblio.org/.

AUGUST AND SEPTEMBER 2007 ISSUES OF TL INFOBITS

TL Infobits is an electronic service of the ITS Teaching and Learning division. Each month TL's Academic Outreach 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 go to http://mail.unc.edu/lists/read/subscribe?name=infobits.

Articles in the August 2007 issue (http://its.unc.edu/tl/infobits/bitaug07.php) include:

Web 2.0 Technologies for Use in Higher Education
Strategies for Online Training of Online Faculty
Reducing Attrition in Online Classes
Community College students' IT Experiences
New Google Research University Services

Articles in the September 2007 issue (http://its.unc.edu/tl/infobits/bitsep07.php) include:

Online Instructors and Burnout
Study of Students and IT
Tips for Online Teaching
Creative Commons Celebrates Fifth Anniversary
New Version of bFree Available

All back issues of *Infobits* are available on the Web and are searchable at http://its.unc.edu/tl/infobits/index.php.

OCTOBER/NOVEMBER 2007 ISSUE OF INNOVATE

Innovate, edited by James Morrison, UNC-Chapel Hill Professor Emeritus, is a peer-reviewed e-journal that began publication with the October/November 2004 issue. The journal covers cutting-edge research and practice in the field of using information technology tools to enhance teaching and learning. Readers can also comment on articles, share material with colleagues and friends, and participate in open forums.

The October/November issue of *Innovate* provides readers with a survey of technology-enhanced proposals and initiatives in a diverse range of contexts -- within the academy, beyond the academy, and across the globe. The issue is available at http://www.innovateonline.info/.

-- James L. Morrison, Editor-in-Chief, *Innovate*
Professor Emeritus of Educational Leadership
UNC-Chapel Hill
http://horizon.unc.edu/

ENDNOTE TRAINER FROM THOMSON SCIENTIFIC AT HSL

Jason High, Product Training Coordinator for Customer Education, from Thomson Scientific will be offering two EndNote training sessions at the Health Sciences Library:

-- EndNote Basics
This class will cover creating a database, organization and use of references. Pre-registration is required.
When: 9:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m., Monday, October 29, 2007
Where: Room 307, Biogen Idec Classroom, Health Sciences Library

-- Advanced EndNote
This is a drop in session designed for people who already use EndNote. While some advanced features will be highlighted, this session is designed to answer your specific questions.
When: 1:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m., Monday, October 29, 2007
Where: Room 307, Biogen Idec Classroom, Health Sciences Library

To register for either, go to http://www.hsl.unc.edu/Classes/ and scroll to the Endnote section.

CTL WORKSHOPS

The Center for Teaching and Learning invites you to join us for our Fall 2007 events. We offer open-enrollment workshops throughout the semester, addressing a wide variety of teaching topics.

All workshops are held in Room 205, R.H. House Undergraduate Library, from 12:00 noon - 1:30 p.m.

October and November workshop offerings include:

-- Experiential Learning

-- Integrating Student Experience into the Classroom

-- Overcoming Teaching Anxiety

-- Teaching Portfolios

-- Classroom Assessment: A Week of Innovations in Assessment

Please visit our website at http://ctl.unc.edu/cal.html for descriptions of the open-enrollment workshops and to register for events.

-- Center for Teaching and Learning
316 Wilson Library
tel: 966-1289
email: ctl_unc@unc.edu

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://learnit.unc.edu/workshops. For links to other campus training opportunities, go to the LearnIT website.

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

Web Authoring: Page Styling with CSS
October 16
November 14

Web Authoring with HTML
November 7

Calendar (Oracle): Getting Started
November 8

CONFERENCE ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

2007 CITATIONS PUBLICATION SCHEDULE

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February 9 & 23
March 9 & 23
April 13 & 27
May 11 & 25
June 8 & 22
July 13 & 27
August 10 & 24
September 7 & 21
October 5 & 19
November 2, 16 & 30
December 14

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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