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ITS NAMES RECOMMENDED CLICKER STANDARD

ITS Teaching and Learning has recommended eInstruction's Classroom Performance System (CPS) as the standard product for class response systems on campus. The student devices for these systems are popularly known as "clickers." For more information see http://its.unc.edu/news/2007/03/19/wireless-response-sys-recommendation/.

IMMERSIVE LEARNING ENVIRONMENTS CONSIDERIT SESSION

In this ConsiderIT session Jacques Morin and Sean Semone, Office of Arts and Sciences Information Services (OASIS), will address selected topics from the EduCAUSE Learning Initiative (ELI) 2007 Spring Focus Session (http://www.educause.edu/eli072), held March 27–28, 2007, in Raleigh. The theme of the ELI session is "Immersive Learning Environments: New Paths to Interaction and Engagement." Immersive learning environments (ILEs) include online games, virtual worlds, and simulations. Morin and Semone will report on what they found most interesting, thought-provoking, and relevant to UNC-Chapel Hill.

When: 12:00 noon - 1:00 p.m., Tuesday, April 10, 2007

Where: Toy Lounge, Dey Hall

Registration is required to attend this session. Register online at https://help.unc.edu/tracs/course-item/6099.

ConsiderIT is a free series sponsored by Information Technology Services (ITS) Teaching and Learning division. It highlights the ways Carolina instructors are using technology for education inside and outside the classroom and presenting new technologies that offer promise for teaching and learning on our campus. Faculty, staff, and students are invited to join us for each ConsiderIT session.

BEASLEY MULTIMEDIA CENTER TALK

Chad Danford, Coordinator for the Beasley Multimedia Center, Johnston Center for Undergraduate Excellence, will present at the April meeting of the Instructional Applications Interest Group (IAIG). He will share trends in how faculty and students have been using the Beasley Center's resources to create student-produced multimedia projects. For more information about the Beasley Center, see http://www.johnstoncenter.unc.edu/multimedialab.html.

When: 11:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m., Wednesday, April 4, 2007

Where: Room 404, Hanes Hall

The IAIG, sponsored by the ITS Teaching and Learning division, provides a professional networking venue for staff who work with instructional technologies. Membership in the group is open to all interested University staff. Monthly meetings include time for peer support, discussion of instructional technology topics, and occasional presentations by outside speakers. For more information, see the IAIG website at http://its.unc.edu/tl/aoe/iaig/.

To receive meeting reminders and reports, join the mailing list at http://lists.unc.edu/read/all_forums/subscribe?name=instructapps or send email to Carolyn Kotlas at kotlas@email.unc.edu.

CLICKER CLASSES

Class response systems make it easy for instructors to poll students during class through the use of remote control-like devices popularly referred to as clickers. Using clickers effectively hinges on asking the right questions at the right time. Why are some instructors using them? What do students have to say about them? Are they a good fit for the classes that you teach? For you as an instructor? How can you plan to use them effectively? Instructors, teaching assistants, and support staff are invited to attend "Class Response Systems: Introduction to Clickers," a hands-on exploration of these questions.

When: 11:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon, Friday, April 13, 2007
or
3:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m., Monday, April 16, 2007

Where: Room 08, Peabody Hall

Registration is required. You can register for either session at https://help.unc.edu/tracs/course-item/6128.

APRIL SCHOLARLY COMMUNICATION WORKING GROUP MEETING

Last November, the Renaissance Computing Institute (RENCI) gave the Carolina community access to the USC Shoah Foundation Institute's Visual History Archive, the world's largest visual history archive. At the UNC-Chapel Hill Scholarly Communication Working Group's April brown-bag lunch meeting RENCI's Karen Green will talk about the archive and what it means to researchers.

When: 12:00 noon - 1:00 p.m., Wednesday, April 11, 2007

Where: Davis Library Conference Rooms, 2nd Floor, Davis Library

For more information on the archive, see http://www.renci.org/news/vha.php.

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/.

MARCH CAROLINA ADOBE USER GROUP MEETING

The March meeting of the Carolina Adobe User Group will feature an exclusive live-broadcast meeting with Adobe Headquarters to preview Adobe Creative Studio 3 Release. This special meeting will include presentations by Adobe executives, product demonstrations, and a chance to win one of the first copies of the new CS3 suite when it starts shipping. All campus Adobe users are invited attend.

When: 3:15 p.m., Tuesday, March 27, 2007

Where: Room 2001, Kerr Hall (UNC School of Pharmacy building)

For more details, go to http://caug.unc.edu/permalinks/2007/03/19/Creative-Studio-3-Release-Meeting.

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RARE BOOK COLLECTION EVENTS

Two special Rare Book Collection Events will take place at Wilson Library on March 28. All faculty, staff, and students are invited to attend. More details on both events are available at http://www.lib.unc.edu/rbc/.

Event 1: Gallery talk on the current Rare Book Collection Exhibition "Unearthing the Maya: Highlights of the Stuart Collection." Archaeologist and collector George Stuart returns (by popular demand) to deliver the talk. Dr. Stuart amassed one of the largest private collections on the Maya and Mesoamerica. This exhibition showcases nearly seventy rare books, photographs, and manuscripts excerpted from the first 1,000 items he has now donated to UNC's Rare Book Collection.

When: 1:00 p.m. - 2:00 p.m., Wednesday, March 28, 2007

Where: Melba Remig Saltarelli Exhibit Room, 3rd floor, Wilson Library

THE EVENT BELOW HAS BEEN CANCELED
CITations staff received notification of the cancellation of Prof. Takamiya's talk just minutes after the newsletter was mailed out. If you have any questions, please contact the Rare Book Collection at rbcref@email.unc.edu or 962-1143.

~~Event 2: "Digitizing Text and Image: Medieval Manuscripts and Early Printed Books" Toshiyuki Takamiya, professor of English at Keio University and prominent book collector, will talk about the digitization of medieval manuscripts and of the Gutenberg Bible, and other imaging efforts of the Humanities Media Interface Project at Keio University.~~

NEW TECHNOLOGIES / NEW MEDIA SYMPOSIUM AT DUKE

The Franklin Humanities Institute at Duke University is sponsoring "Flesh, Terror, and Emergence: Towards a New Theory of the Interface." Engaging with cinema, cybernetics, video games, nanoscience, and bioart, this symposium examines the cross-traffic between new technologies and new media. It asks what new forms of "life" are emerging at these interfaces -- and what precisely is "new" about them. The symposium is free and open to the public.

When: 12:00 noon - 5:00 p.m., Friday, March 30, 2007

Where: East Duke Parlors, East Duke Building, Duke University

Lunch is provided at noon; please RSVP to christina.chia@duke.edu by March 26 for the lunch. Speaker sessions begin at 12:30 p.m.
More details: http://www.jhfc.duke.edu/fhi/sawyer/symp-interface.php.

This is the third of three public symposia presented by the Franklin Humanities Institute's 2006-07 A.W. Mellon Sawyer Seminar, "Human Being, Human Diversity, and Human Welfare: A Cross-Disciplinary and Cross-Cultural Study in Culture, Science, and Medicine." For more information about the Sawyer Seminar, visit http://www.jhfc.duke.edu/fhi/sawyer/index.php.

Please note: You can ride the Robertson Scholars Express Bus to Duke. The bus schedule is available at http://www.robertsonscholars.org/index.php?type=static&source=68.

DIGITAL CURATION SYMPOSIUM

The UNC-Chapel Hill School of Information and Library Science will host DigCCurr2007, an international symposium on digital curation DigCCurr2007 will focus on what digital curators do and what they need to know to carry out this important work.

When: Wednesday-Friday, April 18-20, 2007

Where: William & Ida Friday Center, UNC-Chapel Hill

This event is part of the Preserving Access to Our Digital Future: Building an International Digital Curation Curriculum (http://www.ils.unc.edu/digccurr) project funded by the Institute of Museum and Library Services (IMLS). The National Archives and Records Administration (NARA) is a partner in this effort.

For more information or to register, see http://www.ils.unc.edu/digccurr2007/index.html.

IBM EXECUTIVE'S MARCH TALK ON OPEN SOURCE AVAILABLE ONLINE

Bob Sutor, IBM Vice President for Open Source and Open Standards, gave a public talk about IBM and open source and open standards on March 14 [http://its.unc.edu/tl/citations/citations187.php#3]. If you were unable to attend, you can download and watch the video of his talk and the question session which followed it. Both videos are available at http://mirrors.ibiblio.org/pub/mirrors/speakers/sutor/.

SECOND LIFE TALK MATERIALS AVAILABLE ONLINE

On March 16, Dan Reed, UNC-Chapel Hill Vice Chancellor for Information Technology and CIO, gave a live talk in Second Life on "Computing the Future: The 3D Net" [http://its.unc.edu/tl/citations/citations187.php#4]. If you

were unable to attend, you can read a review, view the slides, and download an audio recording of the talk at http://www.nmc.org/sl/2007/03/16/reed-3d-net/.

ESRI BUSINESS LOCATION DATA NOW AVAILABLE

Davis Library has just purchased some 2006 Business Location Data, extracted from the ESRI Business Summary Database. Now, rather than geocoding addresses, patrons interested in business locations in Orange, Durham, Wake, and Mecklenburg Counties can use this data instead. The data comes with attributes, including company names, addresses, SIC/NAICS Codes, SIC/NAICS Descriptions, number of employees, and estimated sales volume. These data are licensed for use by current affiliates of UNC-Chapel Hill only. This includes current faculty, students, and staff.

For more information, see the entry for this data set in the GIS Data Finder at http://www.lib.unc.edu/reference/gis/datafinder/index.html?individual_dataset_details=1&data_set_id=358.

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ELON'S INNOVATION IN INSTRUCTION CONFERENCE: CALL FOR PROPOSALS

The theme for Elon University's 4th annual conference on innovations in university teaching and learning is "Teaching and Transformation: Transforming students, Transforming Campuses, Transforming Ourselves." This one-day, interactive conference will explore how teaching and learning can foster transformations in student learning, in campus life, and in faculty work. The conference is co-sponsored by Instructional Design & Development (ID&D) and the Center for the Advancement of Teaching and Learning (CATL) at Elon University.

When: 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m., Thursday, August 16, 2007

Where: Elon University, Elon, NC

More details: http://idd.elon.edu/catl/conference/index.html.

You are invited to submit a proposal for the conference. Proposal submissions are due by 5:00 p.m. on Thursday, April 19. You can submit your proposal online at http://idd.elon.edu/catl/conference/proposal.html.

NOW PURCHASE IRON MOUNTAIN BACK-UP SERVICE ONLINE

Iron Mountain is an online data back-up and recovery service that gives users on-demand data retrieval 24 hours a day, seven days a week, over any Internet connection from anywhere in the world. This easy-to-use, efficient and reliable back-up solution protects data through secure automatic backups. Previously, purchasers of the service were required to go to the Information Technology Response Center (ITRC) to pay for it. Now you can purchase the Iron Mountain service online. See http://its.unc.edu/news/2007/03/22/iron-mountain-online/ for details.

COMPUTER TIPS

You can find computer tips in issues of the *University Gazette* (http://gazette.unc.edu/). Look for them in the Information Technology Services columns.

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/remedy.pl
Tel: 962-HELP -- 24 hours/7 days a week
ITRC website: http://help.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://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.

WebFocus MRE (Beginning WebFocus users with FRS data)
March 27
March 29

Calendar (Oracle): Getting Started
March 28

Remedy Project Tracking System: Getting Started
March 29
April 3

Web Authoring with Mozilla
April 20

Web Authoring with HTML
March 30
April 27

ConsiderIT: Immersive Learning Environments
April 10

Web Authoring: Page Styling with CSS
April 13
May 4

ConsiderIT: Instructional Uses for Facebook
May 16

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
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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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