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SCHOLARLY COMMUNICATIONS CONVOCATION WEBSITE

On January 27-28, the Faculty Council sponsored a convocation, "Scholarly Communications in a Digital World." Attendees at the convocation met to consider key issues affecting the changing nature of scholarship, publication, and access to scholarly resources in the digital age and to identify possible broad-based strategies for UNC-Chapel Hill and other distinguished research universities. Several faculty were invited to submit white papers on general and discipline-specific scholarly communication issues. After the Convocation, discussion forums were set up so people can comment on the white papers.

The white papers and other materials related to the Convocation and links to the discussion forums are available online at <http://www.unc.edu/scholcomdig/>. The website will be updated as the campus continues to address the issues raised at the Convocation.

OPEN ACCESS TALK

The topic for the UNC-Chapel Hill Scholarly Communication Working Group's February brown bag lunch meeting will be "Open But Not Free: An Overview of Scholarly Publishing & the Open Access Movement."

The combination of unrelenting and unsustainable increases in the cost of subscription-based access to scholarship and expanding Internet access and digital technologies is creating an optimum environment for the development of alternate publishing models like "open access" publishing. But what does "open access" mean? How will it affect individual scholars, their institutions, and society publications? Peggy Hoon and Cheryl Davis of the NCSU Libraries will provide an informative overview of "open access" publishing. Their talk is based on one they gave at an NCSU faculty forum last November.

When: Tuesday, February 8, 12 noon - 1:00 p.m.

Where: 2nd Floor Conference Rooms, Davis Library

Who: Peggy Hoon, Scholarly Communication Librarian & Special Assistant to the Provost for Copyright Administration, NC State University Libraries and Cheryl Davis, TRLN Doctoral Fellow

All faculty, staff, and students are invited.

SOFTWARE SPOTLIGHT ON ACCESSIBILITY EVALUATION TOOLS

This Software Spotlight covers some of the tools available to aid in the task of evaluating your Web pages for accessibility. It provides advice on when to use evaluation tools, where to get help in making pages accessible, and a list of accessibility resources for web developers.

The ITS Center for Instructional Technology's Software Spotlight publication series evaluates and compares software tools likely to be useful for UNC-Chapel Hill faculty and staff. Each issue outlines features, costs, support, and applications for instructional use. Software Spotlight is offered in print form at the CIT's offices on the 4th floor of Hanes Hall and electronically in .pdf form at <http://www.unc.edu/cit/softspot/>.

ACCESSIBILITY CLASSES

ITS-Teaching and Learning is offering a series of classes on Web accessibility. There is still space in both the "Introduction to Accessibility" and the "Hands-On Accessibility" classes. To register, visit <https://help.unc.edu/tracs/>.

Send questions, comments, or suggestions about IT learning opportunities to learnit@unc.edu.

PROJECT MANAGEMENT SPECIAL INTEREST GROUP

If you are a project manager or work on project teams on campus, you're invited to join the UNC Project Management Special Interest Group (UNC PM SIG). The UNC PM SIG is a peer-support group. We meet on the second Tuesday of each month. You're invited to bring your lunch.

During the February meeting, we'll discuss roles we frequently encounter on project teams. We'll focus on the naysayer (nothing will ever work, why are we bothering) and the meeting hog (can't stop talking, repeats points, goes off on tangents). Bring your examples (no names!) of times you've had to deal with these roles on your projects--either as a project manager or as a team member. We'll discuss approaches for handling these roles on our teams.

When: 12 noon - 1:00 p.m., Tuesday, February 8

Where: 102 Abernethy

Go to http://lists.unc.edu/read/all_forums/subscribe?name=uncpmsig to subscribe to the UNC PM SIG mailing list. Questions about the group can be addressed to Elizabeth A. Evans: email: evans@unc.edu; tel: 698-8755.

MULTIMEDIA CONFERENCING CLASS

"Introduction to Internet Multimedia Conferencing" will be offered from 10 a.m. - 12 noon on Monday, February 14. Go to <https://help.unc.edu/tracs/> to sign up.

This class provides a comprehensive introduction to the fundamentals of video conferencing over the internet (referred to here as IMC or internet multimedia conferencing). Topics covered include: Why IMC?, History of IMC, Limitations of IMC, Requirements for IMC, Endpoints, What is on the Network, ViDeNet, Installing an Endpoint, Configuring an Endpoint, IMC Etiquette, Basic Dialing, Multipoint Calling, Gateway Dialing, Troubleshooting, and Additional Resources.

ACCESSGRID TECHNOLOGY DEVELOPMENT TEAM FORMED

Joe Schuch, ITS Teaching and Learning's Multimedia Classroom Design, has formed a development team to research and document AccessGrid technology and to monitor academic, administrative, and research test bed sites at UNC. The team is composed of technologists and educators from ITS, RENCI, Health Affairs and Arts & Sciences.

The first meeting will be at 12:00 noon - 1:30 p.m. on Friday, February 11. Those interested in collaborating may contact Schuch directly at joe@unc.edu or 962-5329.

ITS VIDEO SERVICES BROADCASTS TO CNN

On January 26, the ITS Center for Instructional Technology Video Services sent a video signal to CNN from its television facility in Peabody Hall of a live, nationwide interview of Dr. Maha Alattar, an Iraqi-American and professor of medicine in the neurology department here at UNC-Chapel Hill. A segment of the interview, about 5 minutes, is available online at <http://mediaserv.unc.edu:7070/ramgen/cit/multimedia/streamingmedia/cnn1.rm>. Video Services transmitted another interview with Prof. Alattar to Fox News on January 27.

For information about CIT Video Services, go to <http://www.unc.edu/cit/conferencing/> or call 966-5078.

-- Tom Cox, ITS CIT Video Services

TRIANGLE BLOGGERS CONFERENCE

The Triangle Bloggers Conference 2005 is a gathering of North Carolina bloggers to discuss websites, community building, podcasting, and more. Nearly 100 participants are already registered, including representatives from local and regional presses. Go to <http://mistersugar.com/triblogs.html> for more information and to register.

When: 9:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. (and beyond), Saturday, February 12

Where: Murphey Hall 116, UNC-Chapel Hill campus

All faculty, staff, and students are invited to attend. For more information contact Paul Jones, jones@unc.edu, and/or Anton Zuiker, anton@zuiker.com.

TECHNOLOGY AND JOURNALISM PUBLIC TALK

Dan Gillmor is the author of *We the Media: Grassroots Journalism By the People, For the People*, a 2004 book that is widely credited as the first comprehensive look at the way the collision of technology and journalism is transforming the media landscape. In addition to his public talk, Dan will also be present at the February 12th Triangle Bloggers Conference 2005.

When: 3:30 p.m., Monday, February 14

Where: Freedom Forum Conference Center, Carroll Hall

For more information go to <http://ibiblio.org/adiu/gillmor>.

TALK ON "OPEN SOURCE" BIOLOGY

The Center for the Study of the Public Domain invites you to attend the following lecture:

Who: Professor Arti Rai of Duke Law School

What: "Open Source" Biology: The Role of Law

When: 12:15 p.m., February 17, 2005

Where: Duke Law School, Room 3043

Computation is transforming research in the biological sciences. While such research has historically emerged from individual labs that focus on discrete questions, it is increasingly borrowing from open and collaborative models prevalent in software and high-energy physics. Intellectual property law will play an important role in facilitating -- or perhaps undermining -- the emergence of these new models. This talk will explore the role of law as well as the larger question of whether "open source" models are likely to advance social welfare.

Professor Rai is a leading expert in patent law, law and the biopharmaceutical industry, and health care regulation. Her recent publications include "Open and Collaborative Research: A New Model for Biomedicine," in *Intellectual Property Rights in Frontier Industries: Biotech and Software* (AEI-Brookings Press, forthcoming 2005); "Finding Cures for Tropical Diseases: Is Open Source an Answer?," *Public Library of Science: Medicine* (2004) (with Stephen M. Maurer and Andrej Sali); and "Collective Action and Proprietary Rights: The Case of Biotechnology Research with Low Commercial Value," in *International Public Goods and Transfer of Technology under a Globalized Intellectual Property Regime* (Cambridge Univ. Press, forthcoming 2005).

This lecture is open to all, and is sponsored by the Center for the Study of the Public Domain. Please feel free to forward this announcement to anyone who may be interested. Lunch will be served. If you plan to attend, please RSVP

to Eileen Wojciechowski at wojciech@law.duke.edu so that we will order enough lunch.

CALL FOR PAPERS ON VIDEO GAMES AND LEARNING

Innovate has issued a call for papers to be published in a special issue on video games and learning. Clark Aldrich, James Gee, Marc Prensky, Seymour Papert and many others have argued that the designers of video game technologies are blazing the path that instructional technology will eventually follow. Imagine 3D learning worlds (in stand-alone and multi-student online versions) programmed to identify students' skill levels and learning styles, build accelerated learning paths, bring the students into a "flow" state, and monitor and continuously assess their performance. As video games become ever more advanced and video game development and research programs make their way into the nation's universities, we must think seriously about this vision. How close are we to realizing the dream? What advanced research projects are underway? What social or market dynamics will enable the positive synthesis of video game technology and education? These are some of the questions well worth trying to answer in a special issue of *Innovate*.

Professor Joel Foreman, George Mason University, is the guest editor for this issue, scheduled for June/July publication. Please follow our submission guidelines at <http://www.innovateonline.info/index.php?view=submit> and send your manuscript to him at jforeman@gmu.edu. Submissions deadline is March 15, 2005.

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CITations Tips Archive

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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/>.

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February 4 & 18
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May 13 & 27
June 10 & 24
July 15 & 29
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September 9 & 23
October 7 & 21
November 4 & 18
December 2 & 16

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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