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### INSTITUTE FOR RENAISSANCE COMPUTING TALK

The Office of the Provost and the Vice Chancellor for Research and Economic Development invite you to attend "Renaissance Computing: An Interdisciplinary Lever," a campus talk introducing the Institute for Renaissance Computing.

Who: Daniel A. Reed, Director, Institute for Renaissance Computing

When: 1:00 p.m., Friday, November 5, 2004

Where: 121 Hanes Art Center, UNC-Chapel Hill campus

In addition to serving as director of the Institute, Reed is Chancellor's Eminent Professor and Vice Chancellor for Information Technology and CIO.

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### ORACLE CALENDAR CLASSES

ITS Training and Education is a group in the new Information Technology Services-Teaching and Learning division. The Training and Education group is pleased to announce that we are offering classes to help you learn how to use the Oracle Calendar more effectively to keep up with your personal schedule and to maintain your to-do lists, as well as to schedule meetings with colleagues and students. Each class will focus on uses of the calendar by a different segment of our campus community: faculty, staff, and students.

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

If you have questions about these classes or suggestions for other classes or learning activities you would like to see

offered by ITS Training and Education, contact Elizabeth A. (Libby) Evans at tel: 698-8755; email: [evans@unc.edu](mailto:evans@unc.edu).

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#### FALL SEMESTER CONSIDERIT SESSIONS

The first ConsiderIT session of the Fall semester will be "Electronic Assessment Software: Securexam Student."

Who: Greg Robinson, OASIS, College of Arts & Sciences

When: 12 noon - 1:00 p.m., Friday, November 5, 2004

Where: 404 Hanes Hall

Since 2003, as part of an OASIS pilot project, the departments of Music, Political Science, and English have used the Securexam Student electronic assessment software for in-class testing and placement exams. The software is designed for cheat-proof computer usage. With this software, students can take exams on their laptops in the familiar environment of Microsoft Word or Excel, and faculty can rest assured that students cannot receive aid from other files or the Internet during the exam. See <http://www.softwaresecure.com/student.htm> for product details.

Stay tuned for future ConsiderIT sessions:

"Dentistry Adopts Digital Library-Textbooks on DVD"

Friday, November 19, 12 noon - 1:00 p.m., 404 Hanes

Sharon K. Grayden, Director and Clinical Assistant Professor, Center for Educational Development and Informatics, School of Dentistry

"Creating Rich Multimedia Presentations for the Web with Accordent"

Friday, December 3, 12 noon - 1:00 p.m., 404 Hanes

Todd Stabley and Tom Cox, Center for Instructional Technology, ITS Division of Teaching and Learning

"ConsiderIT with Colleagues -- Teaching with Technology at UNC-Chapel Hill" is a series sponsored by the Center for Instructional Technology. Faculty, TAs, and staff are invited to share and discuss selected teaching and learning issues related to technology. For descriptions of previous talks in the series, see <http://www.unc.edu/cit/considerit/>.

-- Lori Mathis, Instructional Applications Manager

ITS-TL Center for Instructional Technology

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#### SOFTWARE ACQUISITIONS OFFICE SEEKS COMMENTS ON SOFTWARE PURCHASES

The Software Acquisition Office has been asked to poll campus interest in acquiring two software packages. If you are interested in either software, contact the ITS Software Acquisitions Office by Wednesday, October 27, 2004.

Origin software from OriginLab

<http://www.originlab.com/>

Origin is scientific software that combines presentation-quality graphics, the C language, and the NAG numerical library in one package.

We are looking at purchasing an unlimited site license for faculty/staff/student use. This would be a one-time purchase with an optional maintenance plan that covers upgrades to the software. If we choose not to purchase the maintenance plan, then the software would stay at the current version purchased. Should we decide to go with this license agreement our office would be doing a cost recovery. Is this a software your department would be interested in purchasing? How many licenses would you need for departmental and student usage? The cost will be determined by the number of people interested.

ADmitMac software from Thursby Software

<http://www.thursby.com/products/admitmac.html>

ADmitMac allows Macintosh computers to participate in Microsoft networks, taking advantage of the directory services provided by Active Directory, NT and Apple's Workgroup Manager Directory Services.

We are looking at purchasing an unlimited site license for faculty/staff/student use. The price for a site license is \$35,000. Should we decide to go with this license agreement our office would be doing a cost recovery. The cost would be determined by the number of people interested. Is this a software your department would be interested in purchasing? How many licenses would you need for departmental and student usage? If we can't get the funding, then we will not purchase this site license, so if your department is willing contribute to a purchase with a dollar amount, please let us know how much.

-- Vickie Bednar, ITS Software Acquisition Office  
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#### CAMPUS WEBMASTERS GROUP

Webmasters is an informal support group for people on campus who create and/or maintain Web pages for their office or department, or who are just interested in learning more about website development issues. The group meets on the 2nd Wednesday of each month.

Next meeting: 2:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m., Wednesday, November 10

Where: 08 Gardner

Webmasters also maintains a mailing list. To join the Webmasters mailing list, link to <http://mail.unc.edu/lists/read/subscribe?name=webmasters>.

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#### NEW PRINTING SERVICE FOR COMPUTING LABS IN THE R.B. HOUSE LAB

In an effort to help manage the explosive growth in printing in the last several years, ITS Computing Labs began testing the Pharos print management system in the R.B. House lab on Friday, October 15. The print management system test has two goals: (1) to reduce paper use and thereby contribute to helping the environment, and (2) to help users develop responsible printing practices.

It is easy to lose track of how much paper is used when printing information from a computer. Last year alone, the Computer Labs printed over 24 million pages of paper. The Pharos print management system allows each lab user to know exactly how much paper they have used. An additional feature of the system is its ability to tell lab users on which printer in the lab their documents have printed.

-- Gina Platz, ITS Academic Computing  
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#### LAPTOP ADDED TO PURCHASING SYSTEM

IBM's ultra-light laptop, Model X-40, is the most-requested non-Carolina Computing Initiative (CCI) machine. It is especially popular with faculty and administrators who travel a lot. To save time and effort in obtaining it, we have added the Model X-40 to the ITP purchasing system. While this model will not come with the CCI software loaded, it will be supported by the CRC for warranty issues.

Contact Suzi Conti, CCI Logistics, for details.  
tel: 962-5281; email: [sconti@email.unc.edu](mailto:sconti@email.unc.edu)

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#### TLT CONFERENCE'S CALL FOR PROPOSALS DEADLINE EXTENDED

The UNC TLT (Teaching and Learning with Technology) Collaborative and the UNC Faculty Assembly are pleased to announce the 2005 UNC Teaching and Learning with Technology Conference. The conference will be held March 30 - April 1, 2005, (Wednesday through Friday) at the Hilton North Raleigh in Raleigh, NC.

UNC TLT is encouraging UNC administrators, staff, librarians, and faculty who would like to share their knowledge and expertise with their colleagues to submit proposals for conference presentations. Proposals should be submitted by Monday, October 25, 2004, through the conference website submission form at <http://conference.unctlit.org/>. Conference and hotel registration are expected to begin in January.

-- Hilarie Nickerson, Program Coordinator  
UNC Teaching and Learning with Technology Collaborative  
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#### NHC WELCOMES LYMAN AWARD NOMINATIONS

The National Humanities Center welcomes nominations for the third Richard W. Lyman Award, which recognizes humanities scholars who make imaginative use of information technology to advance scholarship and teaching. Past recipients include the literary scholar Jerome McGann of the University of Virginia and the historian Roy Rosenzweig of George Mason University. The award carries a prize of \$25,000. Nominations close on Saturday, January 15, 2005.

The 2004 Lyman Award recipient, Robert Englund of the University of California at Los Angeles, will give a public lecture at the Center on Friday, October 22, 2004, at 8:00 p.m. His talk, "Would We Have Noticed the Loss of the Iraq Museum? The Case for Virtual Duplicates of Cultural Heritage Collections," will be broadcast live over the Internet.

To learn more about the Lyman Award, to submit a nomination, or to view Englund's lecture, link to <http://www.nhc.rtp.nc.us/lymanaward/lymanaward.htm>.

-- David Rice, Acting Director of Development  
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#### SEPTEMBER 2004 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 September 2004 issue (<http://www.unc.edu/cit/infobits/bitsep04.html>) include:

E-Learning Policy Examples  
The Multimedia Paradox  
Study Shows Laptops in the Classroom Improve Student Learning  
What Do Scholarly Authors Want?  
New Publications for IT Professionals and Students  
Online Course Content Repository

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

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#### SEPTEMBER/OCTOBER 2004 ISSUE OF UNC LINKS NEWSLETTER

*UNC Links*, published by The University of North Carolina's Division of Information Resources, offers a bi-monthly update on IT initiatives from the sixteen constituent institutions of The University of North Carolina. The publication serves as a vehicle for information technology dialogue among IT colleagues, chancellors, and others.

The September/October 2004 issue is now available online at <http://www.northcarolina.edu/content.php/ir/newsletter/archives/2004/contents1004.htm>.

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#### 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>.

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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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#### 2004 CITATIONS PUBLICATION SCHEDULE

January 9 & 23  
February 6 & 20  
March 5 & 19  
April 2 & 16  
May 7 & 21  
June 11 & 25  
July 9 & 23  
August 13 & 27  
September 10 & 24  
October 8 & 22  
November 5 & 19  
December 3 & 17

*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](mailto: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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