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## INSTRUCTIONAL APPLICATIONS INTEREST GROUP

You are invited to the first Instructional Applications Interest Group meeting of 2006. This group's purpose is to provide a venue for networking and sharing among University staff and administrators who work with, support, and represent instructors engaged in enhancing teaching and learning with technology. For this first meeting, we will do introductions, have a round-robin of hot topics in your neck-of-the-woods, and brainstorm about future meeting topics and formats. Feel free to bring your lunch and invite a colleague. Cookies will be provided.

When: 11:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m., Thursday, February 23, 2006

Where: 404 Hanes Hall

The 2006 meeting schedule will be:

Wednesday, March 22, 11:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.  
Thursday, April 20, 11:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.  
Wednesday, May 17, 11:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.  
Thursday, June 15, 11:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.  
Wednesday, July 12, 11:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.  
Thursday, August 10, 11:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.  
Wednesday, September 6, 11:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.  
Thursday, October 5, 11:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.  
Wednesday, November 1, 11:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.  
Thursday, November 30, 11:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

-- Lori Mathis, ITS-Teaching and Learning  
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## CAROLINA COURSE EVALUATIONS SPRING 2006 DEADLINES

Each semester, ITS facilitates course evaluations through the Carolina Course Evaluations (CCE) program. To participate in this program, each department must identify one Subject Coordinator to start the process.

### Important dates for Spring 2006 Carolina Course Evaluations

February 15 -- Registration for Subject Coordinator and selection of courses for which you need forms begins.

March 31 -- Last day to select courses.

April 14 -- Evaluation forms available for pick-up by subject coordinators.

July 31 -- Evaluation forms for Spring 2006 scanning are complete. Forms can be picked up, and results will be available.

For more information about the CCE program, go to <http://www.unc.edu/cit/cce/>.

If you have any further questions, contact Jeff Williams in the Exam Scanning office, 402A Hanes Hall; tel: 962-5283; email: [jeffro@email.unc.edu](mailto:jeffro@email.unc.edu).

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## TALK ON CONVERGENCE OF ART AND SCIENCE THROUGH TECHNOLOGY

Professor Donna J. Cox, a pioneer in visualizing scientific information, will present a visual voyage through three decades of her work. Cox will show how art and science have converged through computer graphics technology and will explore the relationship between technology, visualization, and metaphoric structure. She will showcase digital imagery and advanced computer graphics technologies used to make "high art" science stories for museums and television documentaries.

When: 4:00 p.m., Monday, February 13, 2006

Where: Room 121, Hanes Art Center

Cox is a professor in the University of Illinois School of Art and Design and leads the Visualization and Experimental Technologies division at the National Center for Supercomputing Applications (NCSA). Cox's visual collaborations with scientists have been featured in the IMAX film "Cosmic Voyage," documentaries for PBS's NOVA and the Discovery Channel, and dome shows at the American Museum of Natural History's Hayden Planetarium and the Denver Museum of Science and Nature. She is currently finishing work on a NOVA production that will premiere this summer.

The lecture is sponsored by the Renaissance Computing Institute. RENCI is a joint institute of the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, Duke University, and North Carolina State University that combines the strengths of these three institutions with the social, business, and research opportunities of the Research Triangle Park and the state of North Carolina. For more information about RENCI, go to <http://www.renci.org/>.

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## REGISTRATION OPENS FOR PLONE BOOT CAMP 2

Registration for Plone Boot Camp 2 opens February 13. UNC-Chapel Hill will again host Plone Boot Camp, an intensive and inexpensive one-week hands-on training for developers using the open source Plone content management system. Plone Boot Camp 2 takes web developers who can evaluate a Python expression to the status of fully-qualified Plone developer with one week of training. Plone Boot Camp 2 will be taught by Joel Burton, Chair of the Plone Foundation (<http://zplugdc.org/Members/joel>). Plone Boot Camp 2 is updated for Plone 2.1.x, covers Plone 2.05 migration, and previews Plone 2.2.

When: March 13-17, 2006

Where: UNC-Chapel Hill campus

Registration: \$250/person (early bird) for the week, including a daily catered lunch

For more details go to <http://trizplug.org/boot-camp/psc-ii-news/> or contact Chris Calloway at [cbc@unc.edu](mailto:cbc@unc.edu).

-- Chris Calloway, SEACOOS  
tel: 962-4323

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## FEBRUARY SCHOLARLY COMMUNICATION WORKING GROUP MEETING

The program for the UNC-Chapel Hill Scholarly Communication Working Group's February brown bag lunch meeting will be "Book Publishing in Africa: The Experiences of a Gatherer and Distributor of African Imprints."

Publishers in Africa face enormous challenges just getting their books into the local market place. But to sell them beyond their nations' borders, they must have access to global marketing and distribution channels. Come along with Chris Boyd of the Davis Library Acquisitions Department as he takes a light-hearted look at his sometimes harrowing experiences bringing African publications to a library shelf near you. We'll explore the evolution of a unique niche in the book industry and see for ourselves just how crazy you have to be to survive in this business on an acquisitions trip to Africa.

When: 12:00 noon - 1:00 p.m.; Tuesday; February 14, 2005

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

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/>.

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#### UNC PROJECT MANAGEMENT SPECIAL INTEREST GROUP FEBRUARY MEETING

The February UNC Project Management Special Interest Group (UNCPMSIG) meeting will feature a visit from Bob Giannuzzi, PMP. Bob is a project manager in the North Carolina state government Enterprise Project Management Office (PMO). He will talk to the group about the state's PMO: what they do, what support they provide, etc. Questions and discussion at all of the group's meetings is actively encouraged.

When: 12:00 noon - 1:00 p.m., Tuesday, February 14, 2006

Where: 404 Hanes Hall

Anyone who leads or serves on project teams is welcome to join this peer support group. To subscribe to UNCPMSIG's mailing list, link to <http://mail.unc.edu/lists/read/subscribe?name=uncpmsig>. If you have questions about the group, contact Elizabeth A. Evans, tel: 843-0132; email: [evans@unc.edu](mailto:evans@unc.edu).

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#### FEBRUARY MONTHLY INFORMAL LUNCH FOR CAMPUS COMPUTER STAFF

The next informal lunch for anyone on campus who supports, manages, or otherwise supports the use of computers will be Tuesday, February 21. Meet at Chinese 35 in University Square at 11:45 a.m. The restaurant has an all-you-can-eat buffet and will let each person pay separately. If you arrive after 11:45, ask for the "computer group." These lunches have no agenda or speaker; they are just opportunities to network with others. Newcomers and oldtimers alike are encouraged to attend.

For more information, contact Elizabeth A. Evans; email: [evans@unc.edu](mailto:evans@unc.edu); tel: 698-8755.

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#### BLOGGING 101

Join us for a technology teach-in. Learn about the history and development of weblogs, how to start your own blog in just 5 minutes, and how to read other blogs through their newsfeeds. We'll also cover podcasts, wikis, and other online communication tools. This free event is open to anyone who wants to learn about blogging. UNC-Chapel Hill staff Anton Zuiker and Brian Russell will lead.

What: Blogging 101: Everything you need to know about weblogs, podcasts & newsfeeds

When: 12:00 noon - 1:00 p.m., Tuesday, February 28, 2006

Where: Room 307--Biogen Classroom, Health Sciences Library

For more information, go to <http://www.blogtogether.org/> or call 966-2329.

Can't join us? Find local bloggers at the Chapel Hill Bloggers Meetup on the second and fourth Thursdays of each month at 7:00 p.m. at 3 Cups coffee shop in the West End Courtyard.

-- Anton Zuiker, Sr. Communications & Publications Research Associate  
MEASURE Evaluation  
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#### JANUARY 2006 ISSUE OF CIT INFOBITS

*CIT Infobits* is an electronic service of ITS CIT. Each month the ITS Teaching & Learning'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 January 2006 issue (<http://www.unc.edu/cit/infobits/bitjan06.html>) include:

Involving Students in Online Course Design  
Pulling Online Course Materials to Deter Absenteeism  
Perceptions of Libraries as Information Resources  
Journal of Electronic Publishing Re-Launched

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

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#### FEBRUARY/MARCH 2006 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 February/March 2006 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/>

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#### ORACLE CALENDAR TIP: ASSOCIATING AGENDAS WITH MEETINGS

Do you use the Oracle calendar? Did you know that you can associate an agenda with a meeting scheduled in Oracle in a couple of different ways?

First, you can type agenda items in the "Description" box of the "Details" tab of a meeting. Second, you can create an agenda in an application like MS Word and attach that document to the meeting (using the "Attach" option under the "Details" tab). Both options associate the agenda with every occurrence of the meeting, so note that if you have a weekly staff meeting, you will have to replace the previous agenda with the current one.

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/>

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#### 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.

Remedy Request for Service: Getting Started  
February 21

Scientific Computing: Introduction to Computational Chemistry  
February 21

Remedy Request for Service: Advanced Searching and Reporting  
February 28

PDA's: Useful Software for Your Palm

March 8

Scientific Computing: Introduction to Scientific Computing at UNC  
March 21

Calendar (Oracle): Getting Started  
March 23

Calendar (Oracle): Access and Designate Rights  
March 23

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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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#### 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](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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