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TLT CONFERENCE SESSIONS AVAILABLE ONLINE

In March, the 10th Annual UNC Teaching and Learning with Technology Conference, "Teaching Towards Tomorrow," was held as a virtual conference with all sessions conducted in Elluminate. The sessions were recorded and are now available on the conference website. To watch a recording of an Elluminate session, go to the Conference Program page at http://conference.unctlt.org/program/index.php, find the session you want to watch, and click on the "Click Here Attend this Session" link.

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SECOND LIFE PILOT SEEKS PARTICIPANTS

The UNC-Chapel Hill Office of Human Resources Training & Development Department is seeking staff or faculty who would be interested in participating in a Second Life pilot. If you have an avatar and are familiar with Second Life and would be interested in participating in a one-hour virtual conversation, please contact Robin Morris.

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SCIENCE PUBLISHING AND DIGITAL LIBRARIES

The program for the April UNC Scholarly Communication Working Group's brown bag lunch meeting is "Scientific Publications, Scientific Data, and the Role of Domain-specific Digital Libraries." Todd Vision, Associate Professor of Biology at Carolina and Associate Director for Informatics at the U.S. National Evolutionary Synthesis Center, will discuss ways in which domain-specific digital libraries such as Dryad are attempting to overcome the technical and social barriers to data sharing in the sciences. Dryad is an initiative of the US National Evolutionary Synthesis Center (NESCent), the SILS Metadata Research Center, and a consortium of journals and scientific societies in evolutionary biology and ecology. For more details, see http://www.unc.edu/schol-com/programs.php#next.

When: 12:00 noon - 1:00 p.m., Wednesday, April 8, 2009

Where: Room 214, Davis Library

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

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/.

2009 IT AWARDS CEREMONY

Registration is now open for the 17th Annual UNC-Chapel Hill IT Awards Ceremony luncheon. The awards honor information technology support people on campus, from individuals who provide PC support, write code, or administer a network; to teams that work together to provide specific technology services for a department or the University. There is no fee to attend; however, seating at the ceremony is limited. Registration will close when all seats are taken. Register and view the list of 2009 award nominees at http://itawards.unc.edu/.

When: Tuesday, April 21, 2009 (time to be announced)

Where: Carolina Club, George Watts Hill Alumni Center

"BUSINESS OF CAMPUS IT" AUDIO ARCHIVE

The topic of the March Carolina Technology Consultants (CTC) meeting was "The Business of Campus IT." Panel participants discussed strategies to increase efficiencies and to mitigate current and future budget reductions. If you missed the meeting, you can listen to an audio recording of the event at http://www.pletzke.com/Pletzke_CTCBusinessOfIT_3_20_2009.mp3.

CTC is a cooperative organization of professional computer support providers at UNC-Chapel Hill. The CTC is a grassroots based organization formed as a forum for IT professionals at Carolina. For more information about the CTC, go to http://its.unc.edu/ctc/.

LECTURE ON GOOGLE BOOKSEARCH SETTLEMENT

Pamela Samuelson, the Richard M. Sherman '74 Distinguished Professor of Law and Information at the University of California at Berkeley and director of the Berkeley Center for Law & Technology, will present "Reflections on the Google Booksearch Settlement," the fourth annual OCLC/Frederick G. Kilgour Lecture in Information and Library Science. The focus of her lecture will be the legal settlement between authors and book publishers and Google regarding the company's indexing and book scanning project. For more details, see http://sils.unc.edu/news/releases/2009/02_oclc.htm.

The lecture is hosted by the School of Information and Library Science at UNC at Chapel Hill. The event is free and open to the public, however seating is limited. Please send your RSVP via email to mpenny@email.unc.edu or call 919-962-8366.

When: 3:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m., Tuesday, April 14, 2009

Where: Auditorium, Frank Porter Graham Student Union

The OCLC/Frederick G. Kilgour Lecture in Information and Library Science is funded through a special endowment from the OCLC Online Computer Library Center to honor Dr. Frederick G. Kilgour. The fund supports an annual lecture bringing together scholars and leaders from around the world to share innovative ideas and cutting-edge research.

APRIL/MAY 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 papers in the April/May issue offer a sampling of the many ways in which educators are exploring how technology can be used to leverage learning. The issue is available at http://www.innovateonline.info/.

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NEW IT PUBLICATION: CTC TECH BRIEFS

"CTC Tech Briefs" are reviews of critical issues in information technology and data communications architecture. Each brief focuses on a specific technology, protocol, or concept. "CTC Tech Briefs" strive to provide technical readers with information to help them make strategic choices. The first Tech Brief covers RTP -- The Real-time Transport Protocol. RTP is an IETF (Internet Engineering Task Force) standards track protocol for transporting real-time data, such as audio and video, over networks. View the full Tech Brief at http://ctc.unc.edu/images/stories/200903_rtp.pdf.

"CTC Tech Briefs" will be published monthly via the Carolina Technology Consultants (CTC) email list and website. CTC is a cooperative organization of professional computer support providers at UNC-Chapel Hill. The CTC is a grassroots based organization formed as a forum for IT professionals at Carolina. For more information about the CTC, go to http://its.unc.edu/ctc/.

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DRUPAL USERS MEETING

The program for the April meeting of the Triangle Drupal Meetup Group will feature two presentations:

-- Coding for Drupal: how to write code that works with Drupal

-- Mashup Madness: using Views, CCK, and FeedAPI to create mashups without writing a line of code

When: 6:30 p.m., Wednesday, April 8, 2009

Where: Coalmarch Productions, Suite 200, 125 Edinburgh South Drive, Cary, NC 27511

For more information and to RSVP, go to http://drupal.meetup.com/19/calendar/9940859/.

LIBRARY E-RESEARCH TOOL SPOTLIGHT

April means tax season for most of us. Want to know more about where your taxes go? What new taxes Congress is contemplating? Check out CCH Tax Research NetWork. Here is just a sample of the many document collections in this resource:

- Bills Worth Watching -- follow the status of important pieces of tax legislation moving through Congress
- JCT Blue Books -- Joint Committee on Taxation's explanations of U.S. tax legislation
- Tax Tracker News -- get tax news via email
- The Internal Revenue Manual
- North Carolina State Tax Laws

You can access CCH Tax Research NetWork at https://auth.lib.unc.edu/ezproxy_auth.php?url=http://spruce.lib.unc.edu/credentials/cchtax.html.

For links to all available E-Research Tools go to http://eresources.lib.unc.edu/eid/.

CFE WORKSHOPS

The Center for Faculty Excellence invites you to join us for our spring 2009 events. We offer workshops throughout the semester, addressing a wide variety of teaching topics. Workshops coming up in April and May include:

Planning/Redesigning Your Next Course
April 6

Finding and Using Resources WITHOUT Copyright Hassles: An Introduction to Creative Commons
April 14

Planning Your Summer Writing Projects
April 24

Teaching Well in a Time of Serious Budget Restrictions
May 11
An all-day program

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

For more detailed descriptions, times and dates, and registration for these and other Center workshops go to http://cfe.unc.edu/events.html.

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.

Introduction to Topsail, a Research Computing Server
April 8

Sakai: Getting Started with Sakai
April 17

Linux: Introduction, Experimental Class Setting
April 24

Perl: Getting Started
April 28

Discussion: Undergraduate Students and Information Technology
May 5

Sakai: Transforming a Blackboard Course to a Sakai Course
May 13

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March 6 & 20
April 3 & 17
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July 10 & 24
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November 6 & 20
December 4 & 18

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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