



To: ITAC
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Re: CIT Fall 2001-Spring 2002 Activities

Basic website any courses

- Blackboard software, training, consulting and support for faculty and students; CD for self-paced learning
- Assistance with creating multimedia components for courses (e.g., scanning graphics, digitizing video and audio, interactive segments such as Flash animations)
- Student workers to help with some course development activities
- Work with OIT, Library, school IT staff to integrate services (e.g., e-reserves for course websites), enhance Bb functionality, site license appropriate software

Faculty awareness of instructional technology strategies suited to their disciplines

- Speakers and demonstrations of IT
- Web profiles highlight faculty IT use
- Online resource guides
- Enhancing Teaching with Technology CD shows faculty IT uses in different subjects
- Spring showcase of faculty projects last April; second showcase Apr. 25, 2002
- Consultation and project support for individual faculty
- Discipline-specific info sessions in departments
- Graduate student training in instructional technology
- Launch "IT Faculty Fellows" program in May for core group of faculty. Intensive summer training and follow up assistance; incentives; faculty to serve as educational technology advocates & resource persons within departments or schools

Departmental initiatives with cohort of faculty

- CIT provides one time incentives of extra consulting, training, student workers and laptop computers to departments where at least 4 faculty want to try new uses of technology
- Current examples: Chemistry, History, English, Music, Romance Studies

Key courses or programs undergoing significant technology infusion

- Through incentive grants program, CIT has assisted schools or departments with more ambitious educational technology projects. Some of the projects from past years are now fully integrated into programs or being expanded through external grant support. Examples:
 - Multimedia support for Spanish
 - WebAssign in Physics
 - Student web projects in Markets & Management
 - Visualization and simulation software in Engineering
 - Video-based course materials in Law School
 - PDA projects with NSOE, BAA, Nursing
 - Primate fossil archive
- CIT organizing examples/database of "transformative" technology projects at other schools
- Spring 2002 grant opportunity for "highly innovative" projects

Share information about IT trends

- CIT staff presentations at regional and national conferences
- CIT to host Ivy Plus academic computing directors in April
- Meetings with Triangle CIT staffs
- Donations from tech companies offer faculty a chance to try new equipment