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Department of English
Professional Writing Program
Rhetoric & Composition Program
Writing Lab

Discovering Digital Dimensions: Computers and Writing 2003 (3-D at Purdue in 2003) will take place at Purdue University from May 22 – 25, 2003 in West Lafayette, Indiana. The conference hosts are Purdue's Department of English, the Professional Writing Program, the Rhetoric and Composition Program, and the Writing Lab.



Conference Theme

As in years past, the conference will provide diverse opportunities for engagement on issues of central concern to teachers, scholars, and writers in the emergent culture of the digital age. The theme—"Discovering Digital Dimensions" (3-D at Purdue in 2003)—stresses the importance of discovery in the many dimensions of learning, teaching, and writing as digital networks proliferate and make possible new forms of expression, suggest alternative and hybrid rhetorics, and invite (re)presentation of our disciplinary histories. Conference participants will have opportunities to hear keynote addresses from well-known intellectuals, attend poster and panel sessions, participate in town hall meetings and workshops, visit vendors specializing in communication technologies, and enjoy special multimedia (3-D) events. The conference will again partner with the Graduate Research Network (GRN) and the CW 2003 Online Conference. Some participants may have opportunities to earn course credit the semester prior to the conference.

Conference Website

The conference website, www.cw2003.org, will serve as the hub for conference information and planning, proposal submission and review, discussion among conference participants and



planners, and links to the Computers and Writing networked community. For the latest goings-on, pay us a visit!

Conference Discussion

We have set up discussion and announcement mailing lists that we encourage you to join, as well as several threaded discussion forums for general discussion, proposal planning, and ride/roommate arrangements. To join the lists and discussion, visit www.cw2003.org for directions and links.

Conference Program and Special Events

The conference program includes poster and panel sessions, as well as Computers and Writing favorites like town hall meet-



Wolf Park is a research and educational facility offering seminars on wolf behavior, especially reproductive and interpack social behavior. It is home to several packs of gray wolves, plus foxes, bison, and a coyote. You won't want to miss Howl Night.

ings, the GRN, and the mentor program. Special additions to the program in 2003 include interactive Discovery Sites:

- The Invention Parlor: Integrating Writing and Technology
- Visualizing Computers and Writing
- Tours of Purdue's famous Writing Lab and Purdue's School of Engineering, the site of the 2004 meeting of the Council of Programs in Technical and Scientific Communication (CPTSC)



Birk Boilermaker Golf Pavilion

Friday night features an excursion to nearby Wolf Park for Howl Night and then C&W at the Movies, a 3-D, HypnoVista experience you won't want to miss. Saturday evening's picnic (a hog-roast) will be held at the Birk Boilermaker Golf Pavilion, with opportunities to challenge the Pete Dye-designed Kampen course.

Call for Submissions

Our conference theme, Discovering Digital Dimensions, encourages participants to look at the digital world from multiple perspectives and to consider new applications and directions for emerging technologies. Possible areas of inquiry include but are not limited to the following topics:

- *The Wired Academy*: electronic communication across the curriculum; transcending disciplinary boundaries; interdisciplinarity; electronic publication; intellectual property; queer issues; technology in the writing lab; computers in professional writing, technical writing, scientific communication
- *Digital Pedagogies*: teaching technology; implications and pedagogies of commercial and open source technologies; technology and writing program administration; assessment
- *ESL and Technology*: international and

immigrant populations; global discourses and communities; electronic borders and borderlands

- *Race, Gender, Access to Technology*: digital and feminist politics; technological literacies; vaporware; support and training; workplace prejudice; technological histories
- *A/Synchronous Learning Environments*: MUDs and MOOs, OWLs, IM, courseware, etc.
- *Spatiality and Electronic Architectures*: archival issues; real/virtual classroom design; web design; digital libraries; eBooks; virtuality
- *Hybrid Rhetorics*: visual, oral, textual, multimedia, hypertext
- *Emergent Network Cultures*: film; media representations; virtual communities; digital copyright; distance learning; writing in the digital workplace

Proposals will be due Monday, October 28, 2002. They may be submitted beginning September 16, 2002. We encourage those interested to visit the website, <http://www.cw2003.org>, to take advantage of online discussion venues designed to assist proposal planning and development, foster ongoing discussion of conference themes and events, and find answers for your questions.

Facilities

Most program events will be held at Stewart Center, on the Purdue campus, just a stone's throw from the main conference hotel (Memorial Union) and only a short walk from dormitory housing. Stewart Center is a state-of-the-art conference facility, with rooms wired for high-speed Internet access, including wireless access, and specially designed for multimedia presentation, vendor displays, banquets, and film screenings, all in close proximity. Workshops and other sessions requiring computer classrooms will be held nearby

in newly upgraded PC and Mac labs. Stewart Center, Memorial Union, and campus dormitories are fully compliant with the Americans with Disabilities Act. Stewart Center and the Union overlook Academy Park, which is spotlighted by the CW2003 Web cam at <http://www.cw2003.org>.



Memorial Union



Stewart Center

Getting Here

Purdue University is in West Lafayette, Indiana. West Lafayette is conveniently located just 60 miles north of Indianapolis International Airport, with shuttle service via Lafayette Limo for a round-trip cost of about \$35. Purdue is a two-hour drive south of Chicago on I 65. Amtrak services Lafayette daily on the Kentucky Cardinal. The conference website provides detailed travel information and guides to area attractions, dining, and entertainment.

For more information about the on-site conference, contact the CW 2003 team at info@cw2003.org. David Blakesley is the CW 2003 program chair and can be reached by mail at the Department of English, Purdue University, West Lafayette, IN 47907; by phone (765.494.3772); fax (765.494.3780) or email (blakesle@purdue.edu).

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