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The Friends of ITDE - 300 and Counting!

ITDE Alumnus Conducts Projects In The West Indies

Dr. Gedeon's West Indian DE Projects

Dr. John Gedeon, Ed.D. '03, conducted two major projects in the West Indies last year. The first was with CUPIDE (Caribbean University Project to Integrate Distance Education). CUPIDE (<http://www.cupide.org/>) is an alternate name for the UNESCO-UWI project for the Enhancement of Human Resource Development in Distance Teaching, Administration and Materials Distribution, funded through the Japanese Funds in Trust for Capacity Building.

The overall goal of this collaborative project is to develop the human resources within the region through enabling each of the five participating universities: the University of the West Indies; the University of Technology, Jamaica; the University of Guyana; the Anton de Kom University of Suriname; and the University Quisqueya [Haiti], to better develop and deliver quality distance education programmes using ICTs.

The specific name of the project was: "Moodle-Mediated Online Course Development, Delivery, Administration, & Student Orientation". Dr. Gedeon developed workshops for three target populations, centered on the use of Moodle: faculty, administrators, and students.

Moodle is a free, open source software that many third world institutions are adopting to get around the expensive licensing fees of other LMS's.

In addition, Dr. Gedeon did data collection on the institutions' strategic plans, policies, procedures, and protocols around their DE initiatives to see what level of development they were at and wrote reports with recommendations.

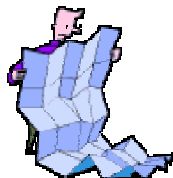
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Help us locate ITDE Alumni who have not updated their contact information, but would still like to hear from us! Let us know and we'll send you an NSU alumni item to thank you.

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Dr. Gedeon's second project was for the Consortium of Teacher Educators (CITE) covering 10 Jamaican Teacher Colleges. It was called: Distance Education Conversion of B.Ed Program for Pre & In-Service Teachers. This 30-day project was designed to assist CITE in developing its distance education capacity to design and deliver online courses to support a 4-year B.Ed. program for pre-service teachers and an upgrade program, of at least 45 credits from a Diploma in Teaching to a 4-year first degree (B.Ed.) for in-service teachers.

Out of the first project, Dr. Gedeon developed a course conversion model utilizing Dr. Simonson's, et al., UMT approach (Unit-Module-Topic) by elaborating a step by step procedure to convert a f2f course for online use to include an online lesson planning form. This year (2007) Dr. Gedeon is in negotiation with the local university COSTAATT. COSTAATT's enrollment, now 4,000 is predicted to reach 12,000 in a few years. Because of the difficulty in building the classroom in time to meet the increased demand, Dr. Gedeon has written a proposal to have them establish a Virtual Campus.

See Yourself As You Were Then: 1998 – 2002 ITDE Summer Institute Videos Available



We recently uncovered copies of the summer institute videos for the years from 1998 – 2002. Those of you in the ITDE program when we held summer institutes will remember the videos as the visual summary of the week-long summer program. Traditionally they were shown on the last day of the Institute.

We had the videos converted to a DVD and they are available for those of you who would like to re-live the “glory years” of your doctoral program. If you would like to have a copy, just send Dr. Mike Simonson a check for \$10 payable to the Fischler School of Education & Human Services to cover duplication and mailing costs. There are a limited number of DVDs available, so order your copy now.

By the way, there is a growing list of ITDE graduates who are “Friends of ITDE.” Stay in touch with your “Friends”, including us here in North Miami Beach. We would like to establish a strong, informal “Friends of ITDE” group. Any help you can provide would be welcome.

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★Upcoming ITDE Event★

April 20, 2007 (Pre-conference April 19)
Crowne Plaza Five Seasons Hotel ~ Cedar Rapids, Iowa
Dr. Michael Simonson will be presenting. Hope to see you there!

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Friends of ITDE News



★ **Barry Barker, Ed.D. (2000)** To coincide with a campus visit by geneticist Spencer Wells, Ph.D., which was part of the Farquhar College of Arts and Sciences' Distinguished Speakers Series, Barry Barker, Ed.D., created an exhibit for the Alvin Sherman Library gallery. The exhibit, 2,000 Generations: A Genographic Reunion illustrated the geography and genetics of the National Geographic Society's Genographic Project headed by Wells.

Barker displayed 50 portraits from populations around the world that coordinate with maps tracing the hypothesis of the journey of human identity and genetic dispersion developed by Wells' five-year genetic study of human migration. The exhibit also displayed tribal and ethnic masks from the personal collections of Barker, H.H. Montero, Johanna Tunon, and local collector Donna Horkey. For more information, click here:

http://www.nova.edu/cwis/pubaffairs/sharkbytes/2006/nov22/spencer_wells.html/

★ **A. Jared Bucker, Ph.D., ITDE Program Professor** – recently published the following articles, which were accepted for national conference presentation.

- ★ **Health Professions Educational Research Symposium (HPERS), January 2007, Ft. Lauderdale, FL**
- ★ Godsall, L., & Bucker, A. J. "Wireless implementation: Ubiquitous computing in learning environments"
- ★ **International Conference of the American Educational Research Association (AERA), April 2007, Chicago, IL**
- ★ Gaudet, D., & Bucker, A. J. "Sense of community and retention in online courses: A mixed methods study"
- ★ Smith, A., & Bucker, A. J. "Effects of a sensory integration program on the development of children diagnosed with Asperger's syndrome"
- ★ **International Conference on Education and Information Systems, Technologies and Applications (EISTA), July 2007, Orlando, FL**
- ★ Finley, C., & Bucker, A. J. "Evaluating the use of personal digital assistants by Physician Assistants in clinical practice"

★ **Deborah Maddox, Ed.D. (1999)** Dr. Maddox currently teaches online for 14 different schools, having retired from teaching in the public school system. Dr. Maddox also teaches classes at NSU in the GTEP program in graduate education.

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