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Welcome!

We're delighted that you've joined us in Austin for the Sixth Conference on Computers and Writing. The rich, diverse Conference program reflects the variety, breadth, and depth of an exciting and rapidly growing field. We are in the course of an educational revolution. Even as the changing demographics of American society bring a new, multi-racial and multi-cultural student population into the academy, information technology is helping us to effect far-reaching changes in the processes of teaching and learning, and in the very definition of education itself. We are indeed writing the future.

The Radisson Plaza offers a dramatic setting for our conversations, and an excellent conference staff who have gone all out to make us comfortable. Heartfelt thanks, too, to Wayne Butler, Locke Carter, Seok-Kweon Cheong, Susan Comfort, Alison Regan, Nancy Sullivan, and Paul Taylor, all of the Computer Research Lab at UT Austin, and to Nancy Peterson, for all they've done to make the Conference a success.

There's a lot going on outside, too. You can look north to the State Capitol, where legislators have been crafting major reform in the funding of public schools; a little further up the street is the University of Texas campus, where President Bush will deliver the Commencement address on Saturday afternoon. And just two short blocks to the south, you'll find Sixth Street, the heart of Austin's flourishing entertainment and restaurant district; live music and good food abound. Enjoy!

John Slatin, University of Texas at Austin
Fred Kemp, Texas Tech University

Thursday, May 17

12:00 Noon : Registration, Foyer
2:00 : Pre-conference meeting for Network Users
4:00 : Pre-conference meeting: Editors

DINNER

Place: Capitol Ballroom

Time: 6:30PM

Program:

MC: Locke Carter, Associate Director, English Department Computer Research Lab, University of Texas at Austin

WELCOME ADDRESS: John Slatin, Director of English Department Computer Research Lab, University of Texas at Austin.

SPECIAL GUEST: James L. Kinneavy, Department of English, University of Texas at Austin.

KEYNOTE ADDRESS: Michael Joyce, Department of English, Jackson Community College, Jackson Michigan.

Speech Title: "So Much Time, So Little to Do: Empowering Silence in the Electric Book"

RECEPTION

Place: Foyer

Time: 9:00PM

Friday, May 18

8:15 AM - 10:00AM

HYPERTEXT IN THE CLASSROOM

Ballroom A

Chair: Timothy C. Stewart, University of South Carolina, Columbia

Speakers:
Wallis May Andersen, Oakland University, "Hypertext Software and Planning by Novice Writers: Two Case Studies"
Thomas I. Ellis and Martin Rosenberg, University of Michigan, "The Nonlinear Text: Hypercard, Heuristics, and the Self-Organizing Essay"
Catherine F. Smith, Syracuse University, "Commas Across the Curriculum: A Case History of Cross-Disciplinary Writing Courseware Development Using HyperCard"
Edward Gibler and David Judkins, University of Houston, "HyperCard in Freshman Composition: Developing an Understanding of Rhetorical Strategies"

ISSUES IN COMPUTER-MEDIATED COLLABORATION

Ballroom B

Chair: Lady Falls Brown, Texas Tech

Speakers:
Marjorie Ford, Stanford University, "Choreographing the Computer Classroom"
Sanford Tweedie, University of Wisconsin—Milwaukee, "Beyond Electronic Conference—What's Next?"
Diane P. Thompson, Northern Virginia Community College, "Space/Time for Teaching Writing: A Computer-Supported Model"
Donald K. Wagner and Geraldine S. Wagner, Syracuse University, "Writing in Heteromedia Environments"

PEDAGOGIES FOR THE FUTURE

Austin South

Chair: Valerie Balaster, Texas A&M

Speakers:
Gail Hawisher, Purdue University, "Teaching the Future: The Electronic Writing Class and the Traditions of Teaching"
William V. Van Pelt, The University of Wisconsin—Milwaukee, "Teaching the Future: How the Computer Revises Pedagogy"
Pamela Gay, State University of New York at Binghamton, "Computers and Basic Writing: Toward a New Pedagogy"
Roger R. Easson, Christian Brothers College, "Politics and Literacy"

Friday, May 18

10:30 - 12:00

LITERATURE AND COMPUTERS

Ballroom A

Chair: Paul Taylor, University of Texas

Speakers:
Michael Steven Marx, Skidmore College, "From Margin to Mainstream: Applying Techniques of Composing with Computers to the Teaching of Literature"
Joanne E. Gates, Jacksonville State University, "The Practice and Pedagogy of Shakespeare On-line"
John F. Evans, University of North Carolina—Wilmington "Learning, Literary Theory, and Teaching Writing with a Word Processor"

ISSUES IN RESEARCH: COMMUNITIES AND CONFLICT

Ballroom B

Chair: Lisa Gerrard, UCLA

Speakers:
Richard Selfe, Michigan Technological University, "A Computer-Supported Communication Facility as the Site for Collaborative Student Activities: A Naturalistic Study"
Margaret Morrison and Linda Carroll, The University of Texas at Arlington, "Mac and IBM: Is There a Gender-Based Subtext That Distinguishes the Variations in User's Attitudes?"
Rae C. Schipke, University of Southern Mississippi, "Problems of Evaluation in Traditional and Computer Classrooms: The Influence of Gender and Personality on Writing Success"

LINKING THE GLOBAL VILLAGE: EXPANDING THE CLASSROOM WITH WIDE AREA NETWORKS

Austin South

Chair: Betsy Smith, Texas Tech

Speakers:
William W. Wright, Bread Loaf School of English, "International Group Work: Setting Up a Telecomputing and Writing Project that Gives the Most Benefit for the Cost"
Bradley T. Hughes, University of Wisconsin, "The Police Chief, the Judge, the District Attorney, and the Public Defender: Using Networked Writing to Bring Professionals into an Undergraduate Course on Criminal Justice"
Helen J. Schwartz, Indiana University/Purdue University, "Cross-Cultural Team Teaching: E-Mail for Literary Analysis"

Friday, May 18

3:15- 4:45

HYPERCOMP: PLACING A HYPERTEXT TOOL INTO THE HANDS OF BASIC WRITERS, ADVANCED STUDENTS, AND TEACHERS

Ballroom A

Chair: John Slatin, University of Texas at Austin

Speakers:
Sallyanne Fitzgerald, Peggy Mulvihill, and David Warren, Center for Academic Development, University of Missouri—St. Louis

ON THE FRINGES OF THE FRONTIER: THE POLITICS OF COMPUTER-BASED TECHNICAL WRITING INSTRUCTION

Ballroom B

Chair: Jerome Bump, University of Texas at Austin

Speakers:
Patricia Goubil-Gambrell, Iowa State University, "Technical Writing: On the Fringes or On at the Frontier"
Kay Halasek, Ohio State University, "Collaborative Writing Tasks in the Computer-based Technical Writing Course"
Bob Boston, Iowa State University, "On the Fringe of the Chiphead Empire"

ISSUES IN RESEARCH: 1965 TO THE PRESENT

Austin South

Chair: Michael Steven Marx, Skidmore College

Speakers:
William Wresch, University of Wisconsin—Stevens Point, "Computer Analysis of Student Essays—25 Years of Research"
Sandra Varone and Karen Nilson D'Agostino, Brookdale Community College, "Teacher-Student Interaction in the Computer Writing Classroom"
Kay Butler-Nalin, College of San Mateo, "Some Effects of the Computer on Basic Writers"

Friday, May 18

1:00 - 2:45

NETWORKS IN REALTIME: WHAT IS THEIR NET WORTH?

Ballroom A

Chair: Geoff Sirc, University of Minnesota

Speakers:
Anthony DiMatteo, New York Institute of Technology, "Unsettling the Known: Postmodernism and the Networked Writing Classroom"
Richard Toby Widdicombe, New York Institute of Technology, "'An Alms-Basket of Words': The Problem of Assessment in Network Writing"
Susan Suchman, New York Institute of Technology, "RTW—Learning to Be a Group Player"
Sylvia Broffman and Marshall Kremers, New York Institute of Technology, "Pre-Writing in ENFI and Non-ENFI Classes: Does Real-Time on the Network Make a Difference?"

A COMPARATIVE STUDY OF TWO LARGE COMPUTER WRITING LABS: WHAT POLICIES AND INSTRUCTIONAL ARRANGEMENTS MAKE THE BEST USE OF COMPUTER FACILITIES?

Ballroom B

Chair: Fred Kemp, Texas Tech

Speakers:
Barbara Sitko and Thomas Pendergast, Washington State University, and Gordon P. Thomas, Kate Naylor-Redmond, and Mary Ann Judge, University of Idaho

NON-LINEAR TEXT: THEORY AND PRACTICE

Austin South

Chair: Wayne Butler, The University of Texas

Speakers:
Julie A. Launhardt, Brown University, "The Presentation of Hypermedia Course Materials"
Robert G. Noreen, California State University, "From Text to Hypertext: Designing Hypertext for the Computer Writing Laboratory"
Noel Williams, Sheffield City Polytechnic, "Talkback: A Hypertext Collaborative Conference"
Michael Campbell, University of California—Berkeley, "Interactive Fiction and Narrative Theory: Reading Against the Text/Playing Robert Pinsky's Mindwheel"

Friday, May 18

Evening

RECEPTION (CASH BAR)— 5:00

Place: Atrium Lobby

DINNER

Place: Penthouse

Time: 6:15

Program:

MC: Wayne Butler, English Department Computer Research Lab, University of Texas at Austin

SPECIAL GUEST: Maxine Hairston, Department of English, University of Texas at Austin

SPECIAL GUEST: Edmund Farrell, Department of Curriculum and Instruction, University of Texas at Austin

KEYNOTE ADDRESS: Lester Faigley, Department of English, University of Texas at Austin

Speech Title: "The Postmodern Condition of the Networked Classroom"

You are invited to join us next spring for the seventh Conference on Computers and Writing, sponsored by the University of Southern Mississippi.

For details, please contact
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Saturday, May 19

8:15 - 10:00

ISSUES IN RESEARCH: CAPTURING REVISION AND PROCESS

Lonestar

Chair: Marcia Peoples Halio, University of Delaware

Speakers:
Chris Webb, The University of Texas at Austin, "Keystroke Capture for Computer-Based Pedagogy: A Practitioner's Report"
Tom Reynolds and Curtis J. Bonk, University of Wisconsin—Madison, "A Window on Writing: The Usefulness of Keystroke Mapping to Monitor Writing Progress"
Patrick J. Slattery and Rosemary Kowalski, The University of Michigan, "The Writing Processes of Inexperienced and Experienced College Students Using Computers: Preliminary Findings of One Research Project"
John O'Connor, George Mason University, "What Happens Later: A Review of the Writing Habits of Students Taught to Write with Computers"

LANGUAGE THEORIES AND ELECTRONIC TEXTS

Austin North

Chair: Evelyn J. Posey, University of Texas at El Paso

Speakers:
Jerome Bump, University of Texas at Austin, "Students as Texts in Electronic Networks"
Geoffrey Sirc, University of Minnesota, "Towards a Polylogical Hermeneutics"
Paul Taylor, The University of Texas at Austin, "Hypertext, Heteroglossia, Chaos"
Monique Loubert, Polyvalente de Charlesbourg, and Claude Langevin, Laval University, "The First French ENFI Project"

ISSUES IN MULTI-DISCIPLINARY TECHNOLOGIES

Austin South

Chair: Nancy Sullivan, University of Texas at Austin

Speakers:
Cynthia A. Char, Center for Learning Technology, "Computer Animation Software: New Forums for Children's Collaborative Story Creation"
Myron Tuman, University of Alabama, "Literacy Online: The Continuing Dialogue"
Michael E. Holcomb, University of North Texas, "Computer-Based Literary Research: Implications of a Full-Text Database"
Feroza Jussawalla, University of Texas at El Paso, "Talking Across Computers: Computers in the Speech Class"

Saturday, May 19

1:00 - 2:45

COMPUTER-BASED SYSTEMS FOR WRITING

Lonestar

Chair: Debbie Nash, Texas Tech

Speakers:
Charles Moran, University of Massachusetts,
Nancy Kaplan, Cornell/Carnegie Mellon, "The Web of Computing: Social Network, Political Snare"
Paul LeBlanc, Springfield College
Cynthia Selfe, Michigan Technological University, "Computer-based Forums for Academic Discourse: Testing the Claims for Computer Conferences"

ISSUES IN ELECTRONIC EMPOWERMENT

Austin North

Chair: Diane Langston, ICL North America

Speakers:
Richard Penticoff, The University of Texas at Austin, "Is The Networked Computer Classroom A Discourse Community?
Dana Harrington, The University of Texas at Austin, "Reconceptualizing 'Conversation' in the Computer-based Classroom"
Louie Crew, Rutgers University, "Discourse Analysis of GayNet"
William J. DeRitter, Rochester Institute of Technology, "Teaching with Disabilities: E-Mail"

THE TRANSITION TO RADICAL PEDAGOGY: NEW PRIORITIES

Austin South

Chair: Athelstan S. Canagarajah, University of Texas at Austin

Speakers:
Eve B. Coleman, College of Charleston, "Future Perfect, Present Tense: The Transition from Paper and Pencil to Electronic Writing in Elementary and Secondary Schools"
Patricia Freitag Ericsson, Dakota State University, "Chronicling a Merger: The Marriage of Computers and Composition"
Stephen Braye, Elon College, "Writing the Future: Computers, Writing, and Radical Pedagogy"
Joel Nydahl, Babson College, "The Latent Content of Word Processing and CAI Software: How Our Students 'See' Writing"

Saturday, May 19

10:30 - 12:00

COMMUNITY-BUILDING IN THE NETWORKED CLASSROOM

Lonestar

Chair: Diane Thompson, Northern Virgina Community College

Speakers:
W. Webster Newbold, Ball State University, "Nurturing Community in Freshman Composition Classes"
Linda Hanson Meeker, Ball State University, "The Literature Connection: Collaborative Learning in a Literature Survey Class"
Rebecca Rickly, Ball State University, "The Electronic Voice: Empowering Women in the Writing Classroom"

ISSUES IN GENDER AND RACE

Austin North

Chair: Elizabeth Sommers, Boston University

Speakers:
Randy Bass, Brown University, "A Whole Raft of Data: Hypertext, Racism, and *The Adventures of Huckleberry Finn*"
Lynn Byrd, The University of Texas at Austin, "Gender Relations: A Comparison of the Traditional and the Computer Classroom"
Athelstan S. Canagarajah, University of Texas at Austin, "Computer-Assisted Class Discussion and Black Students: Breaking the Monopoly of Cultural Capital"

HYPERTEXT AND THE "SOCIAL SPACE" OF WRITING

Austin South

Chair: Locke Carter, University of Texas at Austin

Speakers:
Stuart Moulthrop, Yale University, "What Kind of Idea is Hypertext?"
Terence Harpold, University of Pennsylvania, "The Grotesque Corpus: Hypertext as Carnival"
John McDaid, New York Institute of Technology, "Hypermedia Composition and Consciousness"

Sunday, May 20

8:15 - 10:00

ISSUES IN LAB USAGE

Lonestar

Chair: Cynthia Selfe, Michigan Technological University

Speakers:
Alice Gasque and Nancy Zuercher, University of South Dakota, "Writing the Future in the MacLab: The Good, the Bad, and the Ugly"
Karla Saari Kitalong, Michigan Technological University, "Entering the Discourse Community: Mediating Novice Computer Users' Access to Computing Expertise"
Phyllis C. Pickens, Ramapo College of New Jersey, "Word Processing and Writing in the College Seminar: Faculty Development"
D. Midian Kurland, Educational Development Center, "Matching Writing Technology to Pedagogy (And Vice Versa)"
Robert C. Green, Harrisburg Area Community College, "Future Cheap: Using Less-Expensive Technology to Achieve the Benefits of a Computer Network in the Teaching of Writing"

CONNECTIONS: WRITERS—EDITORS

Austin North

Chair: Andrea Herrmann, University of Arkansas at Little Rock

Speakers:
Margeret-Rose Marek, Texas Christian University, "Connections: A Systems Approach for Learning"
Henry Jankiewicz and John Laudun, Syracuse University, "Me Editor, You Editor: Desktop Publishing in the Classroom"
Henrietta N. Shirk, Northeastern University, "The Computer as Editor: Changing Roles in Writer-Editor Communication"

ISSUES IN TECHNICAL WRITING: INFORMATION MANAGEMENT, HYPERCARD, AND HETEROMEDIA

Austin South

Chair: Thomas Barker, Texas Tech

Speakers:
Albert DeSimone, Jr., The University of Georgia, "The Technical Writer Evolves: Pursuing the Role of the Information Manager"
Shirley W. Logan, University of Maryland, " Teaching Writing Across the Wires: An Audiographic Course in Technical Writing"
Donald Ross, University of Minnesota, " A Computer-Based Technical Writing Course Using HyperCard"
Judy Pearce, Yitna Firdyiwek, Laura Muzzi, and Laura Teich, The American University, "On-Line Peer Review by Novice Writers"

Saturday, May 19

3:15 - 5:15

ENFI CONSORTIUM REPORT

Austin North

Trent Batson, Gallaudet University, "The Significance of ENFI"
Joy Peyton, Gallaudet ENFI Project, and Bertram Bruce, Bolt, Beranek, and Newman, Inc., "Evaluating an Open-ended Educational Innovation: 'What Is It?' Is as Important as 'Does It Work?'"
Trent Batson and Joy Peyton, "In the Back Door: Making English Interaction Accessible to Deaf Students"
Christine M. Neuwirth, Michael E Palmquist, Cynthia A. Cochran, and Thomas J. Hajduk, Carnegie-Mellon University, "Exploring the Potential of Computer-Mediated Telecommunications for the Teaching of Writing: A Report"
Diane P. Thompson and Cathy Simpson, Northern Virginia Community College, "ENFI: The Metadiscourse Machine"
Michael Spitzer, New York Institute of Technology, "Institutionalizing ENFI"
Terry Collins and Geoff Sirc, University of Minnesota, "ENFI and Basic Writers"

COMPUTERS AND CHANGE IN TECHNICAL WRITING

Lonestar

Chair: Dana Harrington, University of Texas at Austin

Speakers:
Stephen A. Bernhardt, New Mexico State University, "The Shape of Text to Come"
Paul R. Meyer and Lynn F. Easterling, New Mexico State University, "How Computers Are Changing the Role of the Technical Communicator"
Edward Smith, Edward Smith and Associates, "On-Line Communication: Changing Notions of Textuality"

ADMINISTRATIVE ISSUES: LAB DEVELOPMENT

Austin South

Chair: Alice Anne Goodwin, University of South Carolina, Columbia

Speakers:
Mary Sauer, Indiana University/Purdue University at Indianapolis, "Curriculum and Curtsies: A Teacher-Administrator Looks at the LAN Writing Classroom"
Richard Sammons, San Francisco State University, and Susan Wagman, University of Calgary, "Setting Up a Computer Lab"
Evelyn J. Posey, The University of Texas at El Paso, "The Academic Development Center: Redefining the Future of Developmental Education"
Thomas Barker, Texas Tech University, "From Classroom to Network: Issues for Instructors"
Thea van der Geist, University of Twente, "Formative Evaluation of Courseware for Writing Instruction: What Are Useful Instruments?"

RECEPTION

HOST: Apple Computer

TIME: 5:30

PLACE: Atrium Lobby

Sunday, May 20

Brunch

Time: 10:30

Place: Penthouse

Program:

MC: Locke Carter, Associate Director, English Department Computer Research Lab, University of Texas at Austin

NOTES ON THE SEVENTH CONFERENCE ON COMPUTERS AND WRITING: Rae Schipke

SPECIAL GUEST: Julie Jensen, Department of Curriculum and Instruction, University of Texas at Austin

KEYNOTE ADDRESS: Hugh Burns, Department of English, University of Texas at Austin
Speech Title: "A Renaissance Paradox"

CLOSING COMMENTS: Fred Kemp, Department of English, Texas Tech University

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