Web-streaming radio on the way this fall

Not only will faculty, staff and students be able to tune into the university’s first web-streaming radio station, WIUN, this fall, but their ideas and suggestions will help create the station’s format.

Managed by the Department of Communication within the College of Arts and Sciences and operated by students, WIUN is an exciting new adventure for the whole campus, according to founder of the project Taylor Lake, Ph.D., visiting assistant professor of communication. Lake said the mission of the station is to. “First, provide an educational experience in audio production, web-streaming and the day-to-day operations of audio production and web streaming for students in the Department of Communication at the university. Second, to serve in the public interest as a public trustee specifically in the interest of the campus and community surrounding IU Northwest.”

The radio station will broadcast from newly renovated rooms in Tamarack Hall. Equipment installation will begin in May. While many of the involved students will be members of the fall course, TEL R 308, a core group of interested and dedicated students will run the operations. Applications for these positions are posted on the wall outside Lake’s office in Tamarack Hall, room 63. Listeners will play the radio station through the Internet. To tune in, they will follow a link from the university home page.

What the university and community listens to will be decided by a campus wide survey to be distributed in August. This survey will encourage faculty, staff and students to express their interests in specific types of programming.

Programming formats could include music, talk, and/or educational programming. Within these general formats faculty could discuss their latest projects, students could create either their own talk show or music hour, it could be a showcase for campus and local talent, and it could also be another vehicle to inform the campus about activities and important information relating to enrollment service areas like registration, bursar and financial aid.

“Basically, the format will consist of whatever the campus and community request. We want to hear from everyone and get as many people as we can involved,” Lake said.

Carmen Kent Bruner named Director of Development

Getting back into higher education was a goal for Carmen Kent Bruner. When the Director of Development position opened here at IU Northwest, she went for it with enthusiasm and succeeded.

Several years before joining the IU Northwest family, Bruner was the Assistant Director of Individual Giving at Brookfield Zoo in Brookfield, Ill. At the zoo she managed and staffed the Women’s Board, which is a group of volunteers responsible for fundraising for the organization. She planned and executed the zoo’s two major fundraising events, the Whirl and Wines in the Wild. Both of these events combined raised more than a million dollars this year.

Prior to that experience, Bruner was the Associate Director of Annual Giving at Northwestern University in Evanston, Ill. In this position, she regularly traveled across the country to meet with alumni, she organized class reunion celebrations each year and recruited and supervised volunteers. While at Northwestern she was an integral member of the Diversity Council, which was a committee of the capital campaign comprised of university trustees, administration and other staff members.

“I’m very excited to be returning to higher education and joining the IU Northwest family,” Bruner said. “I’m also looking forward to getting to know this area and be an active part of my new community.”

She and her husband Bob, who manages Bowen Engineering in Crown Point, recently bought a house in northwest Indiana. Bruner spent the past 14 years living in Chicago, and grew up in Sterling Ill., a small steel town in the Northwest area of the state. She received a Bachelor of Arts in Mass Communications from Western Illinois University and a Masters of Education degree in College Student Personnel from Loyola University Chicago.

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IU SBC Fellows Grants: A focus on IU’s learning environment

The SBC Fellows program provides support for faculty demonstration projects in the effective integration of information technology for campus and distance education. As faculty at Indiana University explore the growing emphasis on technology-enhanced instruction, the call for participation will be to encourage the sophisticated and thoughtful use of technology to enhance teaching and learning. Specifically, the current round (round 6) of the SBC Fellows Program is intended to encourage faculty to examine and develop innovative methods of teaching and learning that will maximize the power and flexibility of Indiana University’s learning environment. This learning environment includes the following:

- Oncourse Collaboration and Learning (CL) environment for improved student learning;
- Newly developed learning spaces and wireless technologies to expand the learning environment;
- ePortfolio as a means to document and enhance student learning;
- Multi-campus collaboration with colleagues to extend the capability of Indiana University’s learning environment.

Grants will be awarded in three categories:

**Preparing for Innovation.** Faculty will be invited to share best practices for solving the complex issues associated with moving course materials from Oncourse Classic to Oncourse CL, while considering opportunities for taking advantage of CL’s expanded capabilities. (Up to $2,500; deadline May 16, 2005)

**Examining Innovation.** Faculty will conduct applied research on instructional strategies using one or more of IU’s learning environments, and will advocate for technology innovation. (Up to $5,000; deadline Sept. 19, 2005)

**Implementing Innovation.** Faculty will create and implement innovative, multi-disciplinary uses of one or more of IU’s learning environments to enhance student learning. (Up to $15,000; deadline Jan. 9, 2006)

Faculty on all campuses are invited to submit proposals. More information and proposal submission guidelines can be found on the program’s Web site: [http://sbcf.iu.edu](http://sbcf.iu.edu)

Research conference Call for Papers

On November 17-18, 2005, the College of Arts and Sciences will be hosting its second annual scholarly research conference showcasing research and creative activity by students and alumni, emeritus, and full-time and part-time faculty. IU President Herbert is scheduled to give the keynote address. Students and faculty are invited to submit an abstract of up to 250 words on a topic of their choice for papers, posters, or artistic presentations. Pre-organized panels will be considered. Faculty may nominate students to present outstanding scholarship/creative work only after reaching agreement with the student. Student papers must be overseen by a faculty liaison who will provide appropriate mentoring. Formal presentations may not exceed 15-20 minutes.

Abstracts should contain the following information:

- full name and title of the presenter,
- title of presentation,
- department affiliation,
- name of faculty sponsor if applicable,
- phone number,
- email address, equipment or supply requests, agreement to read paper in 15 to 20 minutes, and a definitive abstract of between 200 and 250 words.

The deadline for submitting abstracts is May 17th. Please submit abstracts to Robin Hass Birky, Ph.D., Department of English, Hawthorn 429 or to rohass@iun.edu.

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Congratulations to Emily Hixon, instructional design specialist for the Center for Excellence in Teaching and Learning (CETL), on the completion and successful defense of her dissertation at IU Bloomington! She will receive a Ph.D. in Instructional Systems Technology in May.

Lecturer of Social Work Bob Weiler was selected as the Region 1 Social Worker of the Year by the Indiana Chapter of the National Association of Social Workers (NASW). Weiler was also elected the Chairperson of the Continuum of Care, a coalition of social service agencies and organizations affiliated with the issue of housing in northwest Indiana.

John Gibson has been hired into the position of Director of Graduate and Undergraduate Programs and Director of the Center for Economic Education in the School of Business and Economics. Under his direction, the center recently received the highest level of continuing accreditation, earning a five year accreditation from the Indiana Center for Economic Education. The center is a part of a national program operated by the National Council on Economic Education that provides economic education courses and workshops for K-12 teachers.

This year’s recipients for Trustees Teaching Awards are: Stephanie Shanks-Meile, Ph.D., professor of sociology; Scooter Pegram, Ph.D., assistant professor of modern languages; Karl Nelson, Ph.D., assistant professor of psychology; Ruth Needleman, Ph.D., professor of labor studies; Lori Montalbano-Phelps, Ph.D., assistant professor of communication; Zoran Kilibarda, Ph.D., assistant professor of geosciences; Mark Hoyert, Ph.D., professor of psychology; Chuck Gallmeier, Ph.D., professor of sociology; Tanice Foltz, Ph.D., associate professor of sociology; and Bill Dorin, Ph.D., associate professor of computer information systems.


Please welcome the following new employees to the university: Mary Hackett, secretary for the Department of Chemistry/Geosciences/Physics/Astronomy; Victoria Wayne, accounts representative for the Northwest Bookstore; Hollis Donald, Office of the Physical Plant, who has been promoted from hourly to biweekly status; Johnathan Haywood, first class police officer; Jana Szostek, director of the Assessment Center in the School of Business and Economics; Kellie Branch, assistant to the director of the Division of Social Work, and Carmen Bruner, director of development for the Division of University Advancement.


There are two new appointments in the Office of Financial Aid and Scholarships. Dianne Mickey has assumed the position as Acting Associate Director. She joins the university from St. Joseph’s College, Rensselaer, Ind., where she had served since 1995, including as Director of Financial Aid since 1997. Mickey also has experience as an Education Loan/Technical Support Specialist for Bank One, Merrillville, NA. She holds the following degrees: Associate of Science in Computer Information Systems (Purdue University Calumet) and Bachelor of Science, cum laude, in Business Administration (Indiana Wesleyan University). Also joining the Financial Aid staff is Kathryn Smith. Smith is the new temporary Data Technician. She worked as a loan-closing officer for First Calumet City Savings and Loan prior to entering a 20-year professional career in real estate appraisal. She holds a Bachelor of Science degree from Kansas State University.

The following IU Northwest faculty members were awarded tenure and promotion this year. This honor was celebrated a luncheon event on April 29 at the Sand Creek Country Club in Chesterton.
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