Call for Proposals

Computers & Writing Online 2006: Making Knowledge on the Digital Frontier

February 6 to 28, 2006

Proposals Due: 30 November 2005

We are pleased to announce Computers & Writing Online 2006: Making Knowledge on the Digital Frontier—a conference for all educators. This conference occurs completely online and complements the face-to-face conference that will be held in May at Texas Tech University.

We invite proposals from individuals and teams addressing the interface between writing practice, writing pedagogy, and technology. Proposals can be submitted for synchronous, asynchronous, or poster presentations. Synchronous presentations and poster sessions will occur on Saturday, February 18th in the English MOO (encore Learning Environment) at Texas Tech University. The schedule allows one hour for synchronous presentations and 45 minutes for poster sessions. Posters will remain up the entire day, and poster presenters are encouraged to spend one or more poster sessions in the virtual room with their posters. Asynchronous presentations will occur over five-day periods from February 6th through 28th using the ComputersandWriting.org site, the information portal for the Computers & Writing community.

We encourage proposals on a wide range of topics that address the conference theme of “Making Knowledge on the Digital Frontier.” These topics include but are not limited to:

- “New” technologies such as wikis and blogs in the writing classroom—technologies that are changing the way we deliver and administer courses in support of our students’ learning
- Reconsideration of past propositions about how computer networks are best suited for learning and instruction
- Writing and learning communities online across distance and culture
- The sociology of digital communities
- The interface between Rhetoric and Composition theory and technology
- The technologies of Technical Communication: theory, practice, pedagogy
- Online portfolios—the state of the art
- Visual rhetoric and new media

Proposals are due 30 November 2005. Send 250-word abstracts by email (in the body, not as an attachment) to cworkonline@lyris.ttu.edu. Please be sure to include the following information:

- Email subject line: CWonline2006 Proposal
- Name
- Institutional affiliation
- Title of proposed presentation
- Whether the proposal is for an asynchronous, synchronous, or poster session
- Phone number
- Email address

For more information on the conference and session formats, please see the conference website: http://english.ttu.edu/cw/cwo2006/. Or contact Organizing Committee Chair, Lennie Irvin: lennie.irvin@ttu.edu. The conference hosts will provide support (a technology buddy) for those who may be unfamiliar with any of the online technologies used for the conference.