IT Advisory Council formed for ICAT

The Institute for Creativity, Arts, and Technology (ICAT) continues to ramp up its arts and technology-based programs in collaboration with Virginia's K-12 schools. ICAT's K-12 initiatives will depend, and have a significant impact, upon Information Technology's infrastructure, programs, and intellectual capital. Therefore, to further IT's emerging partnership with ICAT, and to ensure appropriate joint planning, ICAT and IT have formed a joint IT Advisory Council. The council will operate "virtually" for the most part, working as needed on key technology issues related to both ICAT and the Center for the Arts where ICAT will be housed. Staffed by Bill Sanders, director of technology for the arts in Learning Technologies, initial representatives on the council reflect the breadth of both Information Technology and ICAT. Contact Bill Sanders for additional information or for the list of council members.

Unified Communications service model

The new, simplified service model for the coming fiscal year will soon be announced to the university community and posted on the Unified Communications website (www.nis.vt.edu/uc). The model outlines a basic service package, including voice service and data service. Several additional charges will be eliminated (for example, charges for Do-Not-Disturb and for most domestic long distance).

Project management standard update

The project management standard has been updated. In addition to several clarifications in the standard, a substantive change makes all information technology projects that handle the “covered data” elements of personally identifying information (See http://security.vt.edu/sensitiveinfo.html) and data covered by the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act, familiarly known as FERPA, subject to classification as higher risk projects. See http://www.pm.it.vt.edu/revisionhistory.html
Service recognition

40 Years
John Moore, Learning Technologies

35 Years
Gary Worley, Learning Technologies

30 Years
Carol Cornish, Network Infrastructure & Services
William Dougherty, Network Infrastructure & Services
Nora Kirstein, Enterprise Systems
Katherine Williams, Information Technology Acquisitions

25 Years
Morgan Allen, Network Infrastructure & Services
Brenda Oliver, Enterprise Systems
John Pollard, Network Infrastructure & Services
Vivian Rich, Information Technology Management
William Sanders, Learning Technologies
Vanessa Williams, Enterprise Systems
Thomas Wynn, Network Infrastructure & Services

20 Years
Donald Inman, Learning Technologies

15 Years
Jason Christian, Network Infrastructure & Services
James Dustin, Learning Technologies
David Martin, Network Infrastructure & Services
Mike Moyer, Network Infrastructure & Services
Rick Murray, Enterprise Systems
Peter Sforza, Converged Technologies for Safety, Security and Resilience
Kimberly Smith, Enterprise Systems
Bryant Sparks, Network Infrastructure & Services
Stephen Warrick, Secure Enterprise Technology Initiatives
Catherine Winfrey, Secure Enterprise Technology Initiatives
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This year’s spring break SANS class was “Intrusion Detection in Depth” (SEC 503). In addition to the 110 in-person attendees were another 20 online. Participants came from throughout the eastern United States. About 30 participants were on staff in Information Technology.

The class is sponsored by the IT Security Lab, and supported by Information Technology.

Have you changed your passwords lately?

If you changed your PID, Hokies, and Banner/Oracle passwords in advance of last year’s July deadline, the time is getting close again!