

Connections at the NCSU Libraries

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The NCSU Libraries' intranet-based *Connections* service provides staff with a single, comprehensive source for training and development opportunities and resources. The service brings together news about staff events with discussion forums, in-house training registration, and a planning calendar. At the heart of the site is a weblog application that is used to collocate and standardize announcements and program descriptions. Specific information can be selectively and dynamically referenced as headlines in intranet pages or in email communications about upcoming events.

Administrative and technical issues were identified and resolved, and a preliminary usability evaluation was conducted before the service was launched in December 2004. More formal usability testing will be conducted in 2005. Plans to expand the service in 2005 include implementing a more flexible and robust calendaring application, and adding a reporting feature that will generate reports of staff development activities for individuals or departments.

Connections can serve as a model service for supporting staff development in medium to large libraries or in library systems and consortia where training and development opportunities are available from multiple sources and management of in-house training programs can be administratively complex.

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NCSU Libraries Intranet Forums
NCSU Libraries Intranet Forums - LATEST NEWS: Welcome
 Welcome back. Your last visit was on Nov 15, 2004 10:48 AM

Forum	Topics	Replies	Last Post Info
News and Announcements News, updates, guidelines and other general stuff.	3	0	Mar 24, 2003 10:45 AM In: Welcome By: mav
FOR BEGINNERS The place to learn and test drive. This is a temporary space and postings are regularly deleted.	11	27	May 5, 2005 07:33 AM In: Beagle Puppy To Good Home By: Kurt Conkisz

Forum	Topics	Replies	Last Post Info
Staff Development For staff to communicate and discuss topics related to training courses and workshops. Forum Led by: Angela Ballard , Monica Lopez	2	1	Oct 29, 2004 04:03 PM In: Mentoring Program Discu By: Monica Lopez
Staff Events General news, polls, etc.	1	0	Jun 11, 2004 11:43 AM In: Full Staff Meeting Food Pl By: Vanessa Marchetti Smith
Professional Development Information Exchange Staff activities in associations, conferences, publications, etc.	26	6	Sep 4, 2003 01:36 PM In: A S E E Annual Conference By: orion
Readings on Diversity Recommended readings on diversity related issues and interests. Forum Led by: didiand	0	0	---
Suggestions from the Suggestions Box Comments and suggestions from users. Forum Led by: Orion Pove	31	3	Dec 3, 2004 10:01 AM In: 12-03-2004 Life Advice By: Orion Pove
Web Redesign The Libraries has defined the objective of substantially redesigning its public website in its draft Compact Plan for 2003-06. The redesign process will engage the library in broad-based discussions, development, and testing that will result in a site that more effectively delivers the diverse range of digital resources needed by researchers and students. Participate in this project by posting here! (Committee pages in the next section.) Forum Led by: Committee	26	38	Jul 16, 2004 03:58 PM In: Web Libraries Redesign By: Tito Sierra

Weblog


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Wednesday Apr. 27, 2005
 Posted @ 04:51:08 pm | Sections: [Staff Development Programs](#)

5/11 NCSU Libraries Staff Day - NCSU Doak Field 4:00p.m.
 Join your colleagues for an afternoon of fun while we watch the Wolfpack baseball team take on the Citadel Bulldogs. All NCSU Libraries staff are invited. * Admission is free with a valid campus ID card.

Date: Wednesday, May 11, 2005
 Game Time: 4:00p.m.
 Location: Doak Field, Sullivan Drive, NCSU

C parking is available adjacent to Doak Field. There is also an E parking lot across from Sullivan Drive. B, C, DC, or DD parking permits are valid in all E parking zones. Come cheer the Wolfpack on to victory!

* Supervisor's approval is required; offices and service desks must maintain normal hours of operation.

Thursday Apr. 21, 2005
 Posted @ 03:59:12 pm | Sections: [Classes and Workshops](#)

5/2 Webcast: Orphan Works - Assembly Room 3:00 - 4:30p.m.
 Orphan Works: Issues and Legislative Strategies
 Date: Monday, May 2, 2005
 Time: 3:00 - 4:30p.m.
 Location: Assembly Room

About the Webcast:
 What do you do if you can't find the copyright holder of a work (say a photograph, article, or film clip) that you want to use in a book or a Web site? The Association of Research Libraries (ARL), the Medical Library Association (MLA), and the American Association of Law Libraries (AALL) are sponsoring an interactive webcast on "Orphan Works," Monday, May 2, 3:00-4:30 p.m. EDT. A panel of experts will discuss various options to address problems associated with and possible strategies for dealing with orphan works, copyrighted works whose owners are difficult or even impossible to locate.

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June 6 - June 12
 Staff Training and Events Calendar

	Mon, Jun 6	Tue, Jun 7	Wed, Jun 8	Thu, Jun 9	Fri, Jun 10	Sat, Jun 11	Sun, Jun 12
7:00 AM							
8:00 AM							
9:00 AM		9:00 FMLA ACT Training		9:00 Project Management Workshop			
10:00 AM	10:00 XHTML Training		10:00 Dreamweaver MX 2004				
11:00 AM							
12:00 PM					12:00 Orphan Works		
1:00 PM			1:00 Spring Garden Tour and Ice Cream Social				
2:00 PM				2:00 Managing Meetings Workshop			
3:00 PM	3:00 Timesheet Training						
4:00 PM							
5:00 PM							
6:00 PM							

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Tomorrow's Events

- Dreamweaver MX 2004
- Spring Garden Tour and Ice Cream Social

May 2005

M	T	W	T	F	S	S
25	26	27	28	29	30	1
2	3	4	5	6	7	8
9	10	11	12	13	14	15
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
30	31	1	2	3	4	5


June 2005

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6	7	8	9	10	11	12
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
27	28	29	30	1	2	3

July 2005

M	T	W	T	F	S	S
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Calendar


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Department:

Phone Number:

E-mail Address:

Click on course name to see description.

Web Redesign & Migration

Dreamweaver MX 2004 Upgrade Overview/XHTML Briefing

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