



Introduction

Hello, UPE members! Spring is on the way and green things are starting to come up. This is one of the most exciting times of the year. I would like to invite you to celebrate spring's arrival with UPE through a series of events; something new this year is the celebration of the National Lab Day – an unprecedented effort to bring more authentic, hands-on, discovery-based lab experiences to students. Please join us for all our events and send us your ideas for other events that you would like our UPE Chapter to organize in the Fall!

Upcoming Events

Medical Informatics Workshop (May 12th, 2010)

- Time: 9:00am – 5:00pm and Place: CDM 723
- The workshop will feature introductory and advanced presentations by DePaul faculty and undergraduate and graduate students working in the CDM Intelligent Multimedia Processing Laboratory and Medical Informatics Laboratory. The event will be hosted during the first week of May as a celebration of National Lab Day, a nationwide movement to support STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math) education in our schools. For more information on National Lab Day, please visit <http://www.nationallabday.org>

Open Research Lab: Computer Graphics (May 14th, 2010)

- Time: 3:30pm – 5:30pm and Place: CDM 718
- We invite you to participate in a series of Open Research Lab/Group annual events. This year's event is hosted by the Computer Graphics Lab (<http://facweb.cdm.depaul.edu/research/vc>). Student researchers will present demos and answer questions about their work while faculty present state-of-the-art research on the American Sign Language Project (http://asl.cs.depaul.edu/project_info.html).

UPE Initiation (May 19th, 2010)

- Time: 4:00pm – 5:00pm and Place: **TBD**
- Another year has passed and we are pleased to see the continued academic success of the students at CDM and look forward to initiating a new group of students into UPE, the first and only existing international honor society in the Computing and Information Disciplines.

UPE Officer Elections

- Elections will take place the week following the UPE Initiation (Location TBD)
- We encourage all members to become actively involved with UPE by becoming an Officer. These positions provide technical, managerial, and administrative experience for your resume as well as a chance to network with industry professionals, CDM faculty, students, and other alumni. We will be holding elections for President, Vice-President, Treasurer, Secretary, and Alumni Representative. If you are interested in running please email deltaupe@cdm.depaul.edu.

For more information about any of our upcoming events please email deltaupe@cdm.depaul.edu.



Member Profile

Hello! My name is Jennifer Canady and I am the Delta UPE Vice President for the 2009-2010 academic year. I currently attend DePaul as a graduate student in Human-Computer Interaction. I currently work as a User Experience Associate for a company called Centralis, and am also a Usability Intern here at DePaul in the IS department. During my tenure as vice president I have used my talents and abilities to help promote our fantastic speakers and events. The Delta UPE President and I recently went to Milwaukee, WI to the SIGSCE conference to present an update on our chapter. We discovered that we have the largest, most active chapter. We also received a lot of positive feedback from the National Board. I'm very proud to be a part of the UPE organization. I am both sad to be leaving and excited for the future after I graduate in June!



PS: Alumni, come to more events. We have a lot of interesting speakers and we miss you!

Winter Quarter Recap

Research Seminar

Dr. Ioan Raicu, NSF Computational Fellow of Northwestern University, presented on "Scalable Resource Management in Cloud Computing, Grid Computing, and Supercomputing" in January. This even had a huge turn-out and many students were excited to have an expert in the field of Cloud Computing come to speak.

2010 UPE Annual Convention

Our chapter was represented by Jennifer Canady, Paula Laurent, Mary Remington, and Taghrid Samak. Mary and Jennifer gave a presentation updating the national board on the status of our chapter. An Abacus Award was presented to Dr. Nell Dale who gave an inspiring speech about her own life's work. We also elected a new Executive Council member, Dr. Elizabeth.

iTea Seminars

This quarter there were two iTea seminars.

Juan Bonfonte, from RoundArch, presented on a project he has been working on called Stratologica, an interactive maps system for use in K-12 classrooms. He talked about using Google Earth to teach kids about geography.

Dr. Nichole Pinkard presented on her work with Digital Youth Network, which brings knowledge about graphic design, robotics, video and music production and programming to public school students in 6-8 grades. She gave an inspiring talk about how she plans to utilize the resource of DePaul Grad and Undergrad students to give the college students more practical experience, while enriching the lives of junior high students. Dr. Pinkard is the newest addition to CDM.

Please feel free to join us for our Board Meetings:

Wednesdays 5:00pm – 6:00pm (CDM 7th Floor Millennia Boardroom # 723)

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