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Intellectual Property in a Digital Age -- Upcoming UWired Symposium

<http://www.washington.edu/uwired/symposium>

December 2, 1998. Odegaard Undergraduate Library, Room 220. 1:00-5:00 PM.

Along with the recent advances of educational technology have come new and sometimes contentious issues of intellectual property. Ownership and use of digitized course materials in particular, have become increasingly complex matters. This symposium addresses the fundamental issues of who owns and controls such materials. Speakers include Kenneth Crews, Indiana University; Catherine Whennouth, UW Office of Technology Transfer; Alvin Kwiram, UW Vice Provost for Research; and David Green, Assistant Attorney General, Attorney General's Office – UW Division. All are invited to attend.

NEW This Month

Our Web databases are generally limited to a certain number of simultaneous users, and heavy initial usage may cause some difficulties connecting. Please be patient, and contact us if you experience persistent difficulty getting into a database.

Web of Science – Web Version of Science Citation Index (SCI)

<http://www.lib.washington.edu/databases/isi/wos.html>

Beginning this month, members of the UW campus have Web access to Science Citation Index, as well as its humanities and social science counterparts. SCI, previously available only in the Library, helps determine who has cited an author's previous works (cited author) and determine who has cited a previous work and where (cited reference). Though it does not index most conference proceedings, SCI covers 3300 major journals across 100 scientific disciplines from 1990 to the present, indexing every article & significant item including letters, notes and editorials. The new version of SCI is IP-restricted, so you can use it from any place on the UW campus, or by dialing-in.

IEEE Electronic Library Trial

<http://www.ieee.org/ielweb>

The UW is now in a trial period for a new electronic IEEE product (IEL) which gives access to the full text of 120 journals, 450 conference proceedings, and 900 IEEE standards on your desktop. The library is considering purchase, and would like your input. To test the database until November 13, use your Web browser to go to <http://www.ieee.org/ielweb/>

1. Click on "Go to IEL tab"
2. username: washington
3. password: ieeeonline

Because of the costs involved, if the library purchases this database, we will have to CANCEL ALL PAPER IEEE JOURNALS AND CONFERENCES. The IEL provides access to more than we get in print now, however, and delivers it directly to the desktop. We truly need your comments on this in order to make a good decision.

Please tell us a) what you think about the trade of print materials for electronic; b) how this IEEE product works for you. Send your comments or questions to englib@u.washington.edu.

Computer Select – Web Version

<http://www.computer-select.com/>

Computer Select contains specifications for approximately 43,000 software products and 22,000 hardware products; general company profile and contact information for approximately 11,000 computer hardware, peripherals, networking and software manufacturers and vendors; and content from over 90 trade and industry publications. Up until now the Engineering Library has made Computer Select available on a CD-ROM in the library. Now we are testing a Web version, and would appreciate your input. You can try it out at: <http://www.computer-select.com/>

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