



An Invitation to an eportfolio Workshop Session Wednesday, July 19, 2006

As you may be aware, we're launching a **Writing Across the Curriculum** initiative here at CSM, expanding the faculty's commitment to integrative learning as an essential pedagogical goal. The pilot program involves a group of faculty in various disciplines (the WAC Team) who want to explore the benefits and challenges of incorporating writing assignments into their coursework. The program will support learning outcomes assessment at various levels as well, specifically through the development of an **eportfolio system** to document students' work, to validate students' achievements, and to allow us to study the results of our efforts to promote WAC as an important pedagogical tool. Our goal is to launch eportfolios in the spring of 2007.

To help us learn more about **eportfolio systems**, the WAC team will be hosting a workshop / question-and-answer session on Wednesday, July 19.

Two national leaders in eportfolio development will lead our workshop: **Terry Rhodes, Vice Provost for Curriculum and Dean of Undergraduate Studies at Portland State University**, and **Bret Eynon, Assistant Dean for Academic Affairs and Director, LaGuardia Center for Teaching & Learning at LaGuardia Community College**. Both have extensive knowledge of the issues involved in implementing an eportfolio program and oversee large eportfolio systems on their campuses.

Workshop Information:
Wednesday, July 19, 2006. Room 18-204
Two sessions: 9-12 and 1-3:30 Lunch at 12

Our **morning informational session** will run from 10 to 12, and all are invited to join us for lunch. This workshop will be appropriate for faculty interested in using eportfolios as well as those interested in technical aspects.

The **afternoon technical session**, from 1 to 3:30, will have a strictly technical focus and will be appropriate for those who are involved with technical aspects of setting up eportfolios.

RSVP Information:

We will be providing Terry and Bret with a list of our questions beforehand, so **please send to Jean Mach your own specific questions by June 15** so that Terry and Bret can plan their presentation to address them. Please also let Jean know what sessions you will be attending and if you will join us for lunch:

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We hope to see you in July.

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