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IT Orientation Covers Networking, Software & Training Resources

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The third Information Technology Orientation for new UF employees was held on October 21. This session was designed to give the attendees an introduction to the vast number of IT resources available to them at the University of Florida.

While the orientation is intended for new employees, a poll of the attendees showed that most were experienced staff looking for an overview of available resources.

Dr. Frazier, UF's vice provost for Information Technology, opened the session with the campus' strategic plan and a summary of how IT has changed dramatically. He also spoke of the UF Bridges project (http://my.ufl.edu) and its prevalence in our daily work.

Dave Pokorney, CNS assistant director and head of Networking Services, said Net-Services is available to aid users from the wall jack to the Internet. Net-Services provides Internet and Internet 2 access, dial-up access, Domain Name Services (for ufl.edu), maintains the campus core network, network security, and wireless network support. For more information, please see http://net-services.ufl.edu.

Tom Cassarly, assistant director of Information Systems, presented an overview of the myUFL portal (http://my.ufl.edu) and the ADMIN menu. "People can now get to the ADMIN menu from the UF Portal. There, they can access administrative applications by logging in with their GatorLink account. The main advantage is that there is a single login," said Cassarly.

Kathy Bergsma, UF IT security manager, explained securing your computer systems from viruses/worms. For more information see http://net-services.ufl.edu/security.

Marie Dence, associate director of CNS, explained the proper method for purchases, large or small, on campus. She also covered acquiring legal software for each computer. Software Licensing Services can be reached by going to www.software.ufl.edu [http://www.software.ufl.edu] and for more details about purchasing and acquisitions see www.purchasing.ufl.edu [http://www.purchasing.ufl.edu].

Jodi Gentry, assistant director of Human Resources, presented the numerous training resources that are available to IT professionals at UF. She touched on classes held at the stadium, CITT, the Health Services Center, and how you can sign up for them via www.hr.ufl.edu [http://www.hr.ufl.edu], as well as on-line computer courses offered by NETg, available at www.netg.ufl.edu [http://www.netg.ufl.edu]. Additionally, special seminars such as the IT Orientation are offered throughout the year. For information, please see www.it.ufl.edu/training [http://www.it.ufl.edu/training].

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