



## Five Days of Giving—a success story!



In an effort to give back to the community, AITP hosted a CHARITY DRIVE from 12/1 through 12/5 to benefit Feeding America (formerly America's Second Harvest) and other local charities. Students, faculty and staff donated \$110 in cash, 131 lbs of food (valued at \$200). More than 50 clothing items were also collected. Clothing donations were taken to Goodwill. The project was coordinated by Emily Rosenthal and Summer Rae.



131 POUNDS OF FOOD COLLECTED!

“For many of the struggling individuals we serve, these challenging economic times do not mean curtailing spending, it means going hungry”  
Cheryl Phoenix, Executive Director, Second Harvest of the Big Bend

## Interactive Resume (IR) Winners

### Fall 2008 Award Winners:

<b>Best Overall IR:</b>	Morris, Virginia	<a href="http://www.ginnymorris.com/">http://www.ginnymorris.com/</a>
<b>Best in Innovativeness:</b>	Murray, Michael	<a href="http://2007.ispace.ci.fsu.edu/~mdm05c/ir/">http://2007.ispace.ci.fsu.edu/~mdm05c/ir/</a>
<b>Best in Layout:</b>	Kondor, Scott	<a href="http://2007.ispace.ci.fsu.edu/~snk05/">http://2007.ispace.ci.fsu.edu/~snk05/</a>
<b>Best in Marketing:</b>	Graham, Dustin	<a href="http://2007.ispace.ci.fsu.edu/~drg04f/ir/">http://2007.ispace.ci.fsu.edu/~drg04f/ir/</a>
<b>Dean's Award:</b>	Flatt, Cassandra	<a href="http://www.kasithursby.com/">http://www.kasithursby.com/</a>

### Summer 2008 Award Winners

<b>Best Overall IR:</b>	Fazio, Albert	<a href="http://2006.ispace.ci.fsu.edu/~aaf04c/irPortfolio/index">http://2006.ispace.ci.fsu.edu/~aaf04c/irPortfolio/index</a>
<b>Best in Innovativeness:</b>	Hazzard, Erik	<a href="http://vasir.net/">http://vasir.net/</a>
<b>Best in Marketing:</b>	Cook, John	<a href="http://www.johncook.net/">http://www.johncook.net/</a>
<b>Dean's Award:</b>	Norena, Kristin	<a href="http://www.kristinnorena.com/">http://www.kristinnorena.com/</a>

## Students Receive Recognition

This Fall, AITP recognized 5 students for their service to the College and for their leadership in coordinating and planning AITP events. The students are: Mike Falcon (Feed your Brain Series, Digital Harmony Project), April Johnson (Digital Harmony Project, Gameday), Clint Morrow (Gameday, Career Day, All the Event Flyers), Emily Rosenthal (Five Days of Giving, Career Day, Feed Your Brain Series), and Mike Wabiszewski (AITP Forums, AITP Website). Award winners were selected by Prof. Randeree. Each was presented with an award from the Dean.



AITP members that graduated in the Fall semester with a 3.5 GPA or higher were eligible for AITP Graduation Honor Cords. Graduates who earned cords for their high academic performance include: Ryan Bailey, Robert Cartwright, John

Cook, Dustin Graham, April Johnson, David Lyons, Mike Murray, Shawn Reiss, Emily Rosenthal, and Mike Wabiszewski.

Rob Cartwright is working at **Hewitt Associates** in Orlando. John Cook is starting his **MBA at FSU**. Dustin Graham who interned at eLayaway was hired back at **eLayaway** as a full-time employee. Mike Murray is employed at **The Zimmerman Agency**. Emily Rosenthal is pursuing a **Masters in Information Studies at FSU**. Mike Wabiszewski was recently hired at the **Department of Revenue**.



Shawn Reiss & Emily Rosenthal wear their cords at graduation.

# College Hosts Club Day

AITP and STARS Alliance hosted Club Day on November 20th in the Goldstein Library (Shores Building). The event was designed to help students **GET INVOLVED** with student groups and to highlight upcoming activities. Students were able to learn more about current and future **STARS Projects** and see what other campus organizations had to offer. Refreshments were provided by AITP and other organizations. A new organization—the LINUX and OPEN SOURCE Group was debuted at the event. AITP and STARS will hold another CLUB DAY at the end of February.



Chris Landbeck speaks to a student about Computing Career Night, an ongoing STARS project that educates high school students and their parents about careers in computing & IT.



Kirk Yoder explains one of the current STARS projects, "Mapping your Knowledge".

## Groups Attending

- AITP
- STARS Alliance
- ALA Student Chapter
- Special Libraries Association
- ACM-Women
- FSU Table Tennis Club
- Alternative Break Corp (ABC)
- FSU Leadership Center
- FSU Linux & Open Source Group
- Nole Zone



Students mingle in Goldstein Library during Club Day.



FSU FLOS members Robert Vandergriff, Megan Umstead, Carl Pounsberry, Jared Jenkins and faculty advisor, John Marks, came out to inform students more about Linux and Open Source.

## 2008 - 2009 AITP Members

Jill Aiello	John Cook	Adam Harte	Michael Murray	Sean Scott	NEW: David Alexander
Vanessa Andreoni	Josh Crespi	James Hernandez	Kurt Murrell	Carolyn Shore	NEW: Michelle Calvagno
Ian Anthony	Dean Larry Dennis	Charlene Hickey	Rachel Nicholas	Dustin Smith	NEW: Denzann Ellis
Carl Averion	Ryan Egleston	Jonathan Iler	Thomas Pepe	Devonair Taylor	NEW: Ari Friedman
Ryan Bailey	Blake Elsbree	April Johnson	Steven Pfeil	Randy Tejada	NEW: Isaac Goyette
Eric Baker	Mike Falcon	Juanita Jordon	Ricardo Pryce	Rachel Thornton	NEW: Laura Hockman
Jeffrey Barkiewicz	Albert Fazio	Jonathan Kight	Summer Rae	Delano Townsend	NEW: Ryan Huff
Kevin Baumgardner	Cassandra Flatt	Jonathan Kramer	Scott Ramey	Stephen Tracy	NEW: Max Jones
Andrew Bertino	Jane Flores	Ryan Kurlish	Naya Ramos	Eric Trizis	NEW: Matt Kennedy
Walt Bower	Sabrina Fontaine	Michael Lackey	Ebe Randeree	Nathan Tucker	NEW: Michael Lucas
Denis Burns	Heather Franklin	Yaniv Levy	Melissa Raulston	Robert Ubieta	NEW: Evan Machnic
Charles Butler	Arthur Freemon	Michael Luongo	Shawn Reiss	Mike Wabiszweski	NEW: Lugol Metayer
Nathan Butterfield	David Friedman	Trang Ly	Andrew Reynolds	Jessica Weaver	NEW: Virginia Morris
Erica Cartee	Leanne Galletta	David Lyons	Jesse Rioseco	Kyle West	NEW: Chava Sobreya
Rob Cartwright	Daniel Gayler	Eric McAllister	Emily Rosenthal	Charleta Williams	NEW: Trevor Swiggard
Anthony Charles	James Golz	Jon McCaughan	Paul Russell	Denny Windgassen	NEW: Jesse Worbington
Eric Chu	Twanisha Gordon	Marcus Mitchell	Sarah Santilli	Kirk Yoder	
Jarrett Clark	Dustin Graham	Clint Morrow	Jonathan Scott		

Faculty Advisor: Prof. Randeree

# First “Feed Your Brain!” Series Draws Students

An educational technology seminar series has been started for students at the College of Information. These technology seminars are known as the “Feed Your Brain!” series sponsored by Students & Technology in Academia, Research, & Service (STARS) and the Association for Information Technology Professionals (AITP).

The Feed Your Brain! series was developed in response to the demand of Information Technology (IT) students wanting more from their computer related classes, having interests in technology topics, and being passionate about furthering their knowledge on career related technologies. The purpose of the series is to provide an introduction to a variety of topics not covered within the normal curriculum.

Four popular topics were introduced in the Fall of 2008:

- *Using Open Source* by Professor John Marks
- *Using Java* by Professor Kyle Gower-Winter
- *An Introduction to Podcasting* by Professor Ken Baldauf
- *Facebook’s Project Management Tool* by Professor Ebe Randeree

**Get Involved!**  
Two more “Feed Your Brain” events are planned for the Spring 2009 semester. If you have an idea for a lecture topic or would like to get involved in planning contact Mike Falcon (mdf05c@fsu.edu)



The response of students who attended was positive – they wanted more! We had 62 students attend the event. This launched a successful kick-off for the Feed Your Brain! series. Students surveyed after the seminar expressed an interest in attending future lectures and topic suggestions ranged from web design to Web 2.0 tools. Not only did students get to **feed their brain** but they also fed their stomachs. A healthy and delicious breakfast was served including an assortment of fruits, yogurt, juices, bagels and cream cheese, and (for those who really needed an early morning sugar-rush) Krispy Kreme Doughnuts were available! The food was sponsored by AITP.

Education Program helpful?	4.23
Start/End Time was good?	3.87
Length appropriate?	4.19
Recommend to others?	4.38
Come back to another?	4.26

Students were surveyed using a scale of 1 through 5 [1 indicated “strongly disagree”, 3 indicated “neutral”, while 5 indicated “strongly agree”]. Survey results showed that students overwhelmingly enjoyed the event and would come back for another. This event started at 9am on a Saturday and that was a concern for students. We have since revised the start times for future events. These events have limited seating and a pre-registration form will be available on the AITP website and through Facebook during the first week of February.

**FEED YOUR BRAIN!**  
**Saturday 2/21 11am - 3pm Lunch Provided**

## UPCOMING “Feed Your Brain” Series

11:00am-11:45am	Topic: Virtualization	Presenter: Casey McLaughlin
11:45am-12:30pm	Topic: DNS	Presenter: Professor Melissa Raulston
12:30pm-01:00pm	LUNCH (Provided to Registered Attendees)	
01:00pm-01:45pm	Topic: Leadership	Presenter: Dr. Robert Brooks
01:45pm-02:30pm	Topic: Communication in Groups	Presenter: Professor Ebe Randeree

## FSU to Host 2009 STARS Alliance Celebration!

The Annual STARS Alliance Celebration will be held from August 8-12 on the campus of FSU. The event will celebrate the success of the previous year of the Alliance and provide an energetic start to the proposed projects for the upcoming year. The Celebration will include STARS members and guests representing over 20 colleges and universities.

The mission of the STARS (**Students & Technology in Academia, Research & Service**) Alliance is to increase the participation of women, under-represented minorities, and persons with disabilities in computing disciplines through multi-faceted interventions focused on the influx and progression of students from middle school through graduate school in programs that lead to computing careers. The Alliance is organized as a national constellation of regional stars that include research universities, minority and women's universities & colleges, K-12 educators, industry, professional organizations, and community groups.

Student participation includes a judged poster competition highlighting leadership projects undertaken by their SLC programs. Each winning poster earns a \$100 cash prize. In addition, the conference offers numerous opportunities for training sessions, spanning such topics as: Leadership, Technical Excellence, Web Development, and Community Outreach as well as workshops featuring: Culturally Situated Design Tools, Mentoring Programs, and Assistive Technology, just to name a few.

### STARS STUDENTS AT FSU INCLUDE:

#### College of Information (CI)

**Undergraduate:** Michelle Calvagno, Heather Franklin, Twanisha Gordon, Yaniv Levy, Clint Morrow, Alexander Peto, Leah Clifton

**Graduate:** Mike Falcon, Chris Landbeck

#### College of Arts and Sciences (CS)

**Graduate:** Monika Achury, Randy Flood, Wickus Nienaber, Matthew Small

For more information on STARS, please send an email to

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FIND OUT MORE: <http://starsalliance.fsu.edu/>



Florida State University  
STARS Alliance

## CI Students Launch TRUTH TOUR

"College students have a very important role to play. We are at a focal point in our lives where we are closing our ties with childhood and emerging as young adults and our words should matter the most" - Yaniv Levy, project coordinator of Truth Tour Live, CI Senior, AITP Executive Board Member, STARS Alliance Member, and also interning at the Children's Campaign



On November 7, 2008, students gathered on Florida State University's Union Green for a concert event like no other, dubbed 2008 Truth Tour Live: "Steppin' Up for Kids." The concert was a collaboration between FSU's Student Government Agency and Children's Campaign, Inc., a non-profit organization that

has put forth much effort in providing advocacy and education to Florida leaders and citizens for the needs of children. The goal of the concert was to both educate and motivate Florida's young adults to "step up" for kids across the state, become advocates on their campuses and bring our state closer to change necessary for Florida to become the ideal model for child advocacy in the nation.

Speakers such as Children's Campaign's president, Roy Miller, and many others took to the microphone while other organizations set up tables with information regarding different issues facing children and ways to help. Aside from the speakers, local Tallahassee bands Sinister Nasty, Eden's Fill, and a DJ known as Etherical, filled the air with music drawing in crowds to hear more about this remarkable cause.

The other objective at hand was to open a doorway for young adults to understand the importance of the critical needs of children and to also expose a vessel that will facilitate their involvement. This vessel refers to infrastructure that was created using social networking giants like Facebook and MySpace and media sharing sites such as YouTube for video and Flickr for Pictures implemented by the Campaign's very own Technology Team.



"It's great to know that the work we do, from an IT standpoint, can still be very effective in getting an important message like this heard," Clint Morrow, CI Senior, AITP Executive Board Member, STARS Alliance Member, and also interning at the Children's Campaign

The bottom line is that there is strength in numbers and the more people who get involved with the Children's Campaign's advocacy for children, the greater the possibility for success in the state of Florida.

# Career Day UPDATE!

Surveys were sent to companies that attended the Career Day on 10/10: Brandt Info Services, Comcast, City of Tallahassee, eLayaway, Epyon Technologies, ERS, Infinity Software, Diverse Computing, PWC (Tampa), SAIC, ITFlorida, Zimmerman Agency, Mainline Information Systems, and Integrisource. Ten (10) companies responded.

Here's what they said:

- Overall, 8 were extremely satisfied with the **EVENT**, 2 were somewhat satisfied!
- Overall, 5 were extremely satisfied with the **STUDENTS**, 4 were somewhat satisfied, 1 was neutral!
- Overall, 4 were extremely satisfied with the **STUDENT SKILLS**, 4 were somewhat satisfied, 2 were neutral!
- Overall, each employer collected an average of 26 resumes
- Overall, 10 called students for **INTERNSHIPS**, 5 have secured **INTERNSHIPS**
- Overall, 4 called students for **EMPLOYMENT**, 2 have secured **JOBS**
- Overall, 8 will return on 3/3, 2 have a hiring freeze!

**MARK YOUR CALENDAR**  
**CAREER DAY!**  
**Tuesday 3/3 3pm—5pm**

## New CI Website

The College of Information's (CI) web site is now **“fully XHTML and ADA compliant”** and is in the process of being fully commented and documented so that it can be used as a teaching tool. Primary changes are listed below. A special thanks is dedicated to CI students who were an integral part in the development of the new CI web site.

### Changes Made:

- Conversion from ColdFusion to a mixed ASP/PHP development environment running on IIS.
- The three-column design for better information architecture.
- Pure CSS fly-out menus for providing more information without clutter.
- Information for current students is now housed in the Blackboard organization CI Student Services.
- The History Wiki is a new feature that invites you, our future alumni, to share in the CI community. Contribute your stories, club news, pictures and other items of historical interest to this living history project. <http://history.ci.fsu.edu>
- CI News is now driven by a WordPress blog. Important and update-to-date news will be available from the web site by Really Simple Syndication technology (RSS). Find out more at: <http://ci.fsu.edu/news/?p=1173>

The web site is a work-in-progress and continues to be updated with the content. Your suggestions are welcomed as are any issues or concerns. Contact the webmaster, Melissa Raulston by email: [mraulston@fsu.edu](mailto:mraulston@fsu.edu) or stop by the Office of the Webmaster in the Goldstein Library, 106F.

Name	Position
Melissa Raulston	Webmaster
Sean Sordo	CI Alumni
Stephany Jones	CI Alumni
Waner Del Rosario	CI Alumni
David Freidman	CI Alumni
Matt St Amant	CI Alumni
Mike G. Wabiszewski	CI Alumni
James Golz	CI Alumni
Josh Gonzalez	CI student
Jarrett Clark	CI Alumni
Twanisha Gordon	CI student
Naya Ramos	CI student
Dana Snider	CI student

OLD SITE



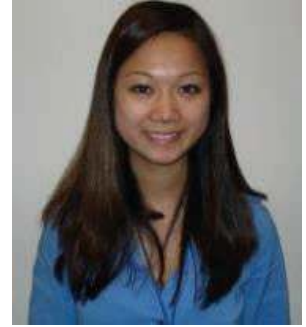
NEW SITE



# Alumni - Trang Ly (Summer 2008)

**Current Position:**

Working full time with the State of Florida as a Distributed Computer Specialist. I provide technical support to over 600 employees including software and hardware support. I create training materials for several applications. Also, I provide training in a classroom setting for Department of Elder Affairs employees.



**What did you get out of AITP?**

AITP allowed me to get connected to peers that were interested in the same profession with similar drives to succeed in Information Technology. This association gave me an advantage over other students because it allowed me the opportunity to meet successful IT business people in Tallahassee. Not only did AITP allow me to broaden my network but I also received insightful tips from leaders in the IT world. Our meetings also allowed members to brainstorm and share ideas for upcoming events. It was a great way for students to connect and plan fun events at the same time. Although some of us are not great at bowling (me), it was fun watching others bowl strikes. And how can you say no to free pizza!

**Something you do not know about me:** I am bilingual in English and Vietnamese. English was not my first language. I was raised speaking Vietnamese and got the opportunity to learn English when I went to kindergarten. My teacher gave me the name that I currently use to introduce myself since Trang is pronounced completely different in Vietnamese.

## Upcoming Events

## AITP Board (2008-2009)

<b>AITP Social</b>	<b>DONE!</b>	<b>(01/30 5-7pm)</b>
AITP Blood Drive		(02/13 12-5pm)
Tour of Summit East		(02/18 2-5pm)
Feed Your Brain Series		(02/21 11-3pm)
Career Day		(03/03 3-5pm)
Club Day		(Late March)
Feed Your Brain Series		(Late March)
Infinity Tour		(Early April)
Gameday		(04/18 12-5pm)
AITP Picnic		(Late April)

President.....	Walt Bower
Vice President.....	Jon Kight
Assistant Vice President.....	Jeffrey Barkiewicz
Treasurer.....	Yaniv Levy
Webmaster.....	Kirk Yoder
Member Educator.....	Mike Falcon
Member Educator.....	Clint Morrow
University Liaison INTERNAL.....	
University Liaison EXTERNAL.....	
Recruitment.....	Jane Flores
Recruitment.....	Ryan Egleston
Recruitment.....	Twanisha Gordon
Communications.....	Sara Santilli
Communications.....	Anthony Charles
Communications.....	Adam Harte

**Get Involved!**

Contact Twanisha Gordon, Jane Flores, and Ryan Egleston for AITP information  
 Contact Mike Falcon and Alex Peto for STARS information



**AITP BLOOD DRIVE**  
**FRIDAY 2/13- 12-5pm**

**GIVE BLOOD** - Save a life!

**GIVE BLOOD** - Go **Red** for VALENTINE's Day!

**GIVE BLOOD** - Its Friday the 13th!

Red Cross Blood Mobile will be parked outside of Shores



CI students enjoy a beautiful day

# AITP - Spring Social a HUGE SUCCESS



**STATS 1/30 5-7pm**  
 2 Hours of bowling  
 8 Lanes used  
 22 Large Pizzas eaten  
 73 total attendees  
 38 AITP members attended  
 9 CI Undergrad Alumni attendees



Our Resident Artist, Cherie Sanders can be found at the CI Help Desk. That's her on the far right answering calls for Digital Harmony

## Where are CI Students Interning this Semester?

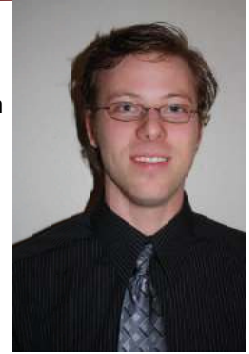
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| Mainline Information Systems         | HCA IT&S North Florida Division      |
| Hospitality & Beverage Institute     | Agency for Workforce Innovation      |
| Oglesby Union Marketing              | Children's Campaign                  |
| FSU Athletic Academic Support        | SalterMitchell                       |
| The Florida Police Benevolent Assoc. | Florida State College of Medicine    |
| Diverse Computing                    | ePartners Inc.- Crawfordville Office |
| Bond Community Health Center         | University Housing                   |
| FSU Dept of Biological Science       | eLayaway                             |



<http://starsalliance.fsu.edu/project/display/mapping/internships/>  
 Markers represent IT businesses; Green Markers represent Spring 2009 Internship sites

**Current Position:**

Enrolled in Grad School at UF (M.S. in Management; M.S. in Information Systems and Operations Management). Launched his own web design business after graduation (<http://www.elcasolutions.com>) – grown to 4-5 full time and 2-3 part time workers.



**What did you get out of AITP?**

AITP is a student run organization. It is an opportunity for students to step up onto the stage and host events, manage projects, reach out to fellow students and solicit the support of professors and staff. These skills are highly critical in all aspects of business. AITP affords the opportunity to overcome fears of public speaking, speaking with authority figures, working in a group of IT peers and mentoring other students. Communication skills are highly critical in the world of business in which IT resides. An employee who cannot effectively communicate a problem or set of instructions will prove to be very costly and less valuable to a company.

During my time in AITP, I had the opportunity to host a computing event in which I taught other IT and non-IT students about the inner workings of desktop computers. I also solicited donations for our very successful computing careers night. I would have liked to have had (or created) the opportunity to create a web application for AITP (perhaps the AITP website) that used LAMP technologies to manage events, donations, tracked participation, managed photo's, etc. This would afford a team of students with the opportunity to gain exposure to the SDLC and project management which can easily be applied to a number of IT fields. Overall, AITP was a great experience and from the looks of my Facebook inbox it is going strong. I am still an FSU fan and wear garnet and gold proudly, even on UF game days.

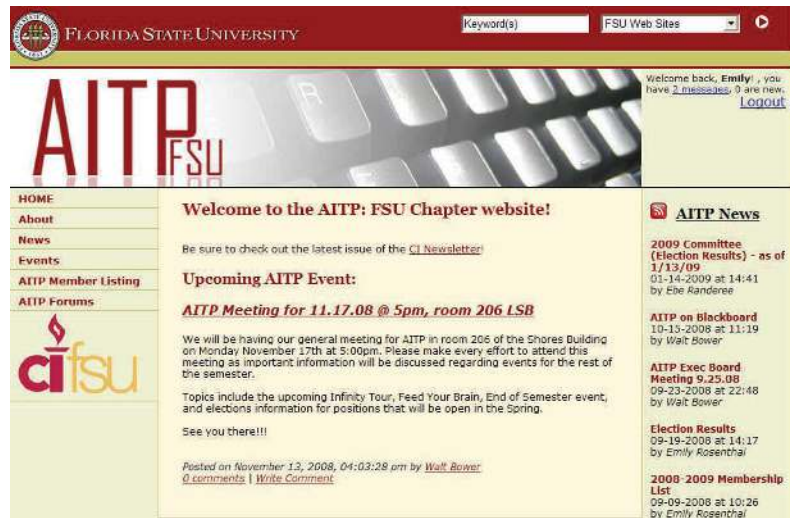
**Something you do not know about me:** I would like to be a high school teacher by the time I am 35. Hopefully I will have achieved financial stability by that time from my years in IT.

## More About the AITP Website

The Association for Information Technology Professionals (AITP) has an FSU Chapter web site! The AITP web site allows you to do the following:

- View upcoming events
- Participate in AITP forums
- Contact other AITP members
- Review AITP meeting minutes
- Stay up-to-date with AITP News
- Learn more about the organization
- Subscribe to the web site's RSS feed
- Cast your vote for important AITP decisions
- Download the College of Information Newsletter
- Stay in touch with College of Information Alumni

<http://aitp.fsu.edu/>



Message  
from the  
ADVISORS

The Summer **and** Fall 2009 schedule of classes will be published online on March 2. Registration for both semesters will begin on March 16.

Starting with this semester, students will be required to make an appointment to meet with an advisor to plan their schedules. To schedule an appointment, contact:

Scott Thorp: [thorp@ci.fsu.edu](mailto:thorp@ci.fsu.edu) / 850-644-5774

Students who will have reached 100 credit hours or more by the end of this spring will need to request a graduation check before registering. Those students should complete the Graduation Check Request Form in room 110LSB.



Scott Thorp



# Alumni - Emily Meyer (Summer 2008)

## Current Position:

Customer Software Support Representative for VR Systems ([www.vrsystems.com](http://www.vrsystems.com)). I test the company's election management software, troubleshoot software problems, provide phone support for customer software questions, train clients on how to use the company's software and I am in charge of creating a new company website in the near future.



## What did you get out of AITP?

AITP was a great opportunity for networking with fellow students and with local businesses to future my career goals. I gained valuable leadership, communication and organizational skills.

**Something you do not know about me:** I worked in the healthcare field for 3 years and would like to continue my education down the road and get my masters in health informatics so I can work with healthcare professionals to bring IT innovations into the field and in turn make healthcare better for all.

## Other Professional Activities at FSU?

- Active member of **HIMSS (Health Information & Management Systems Society)** - Attended Annual Conference in Orlando as a student volunteer from FSU
- Active Members of **STARS Alliance** - Worked on website, organized Career Night at Godby High School and presented on IT/Computing at local schools
- Active in **WICS (Women in Computing Society)** - Acted as social coordinator and recruitment



# Message from the IT Coordinator

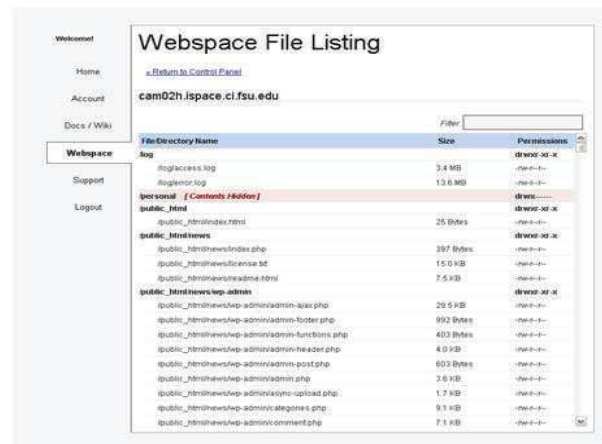
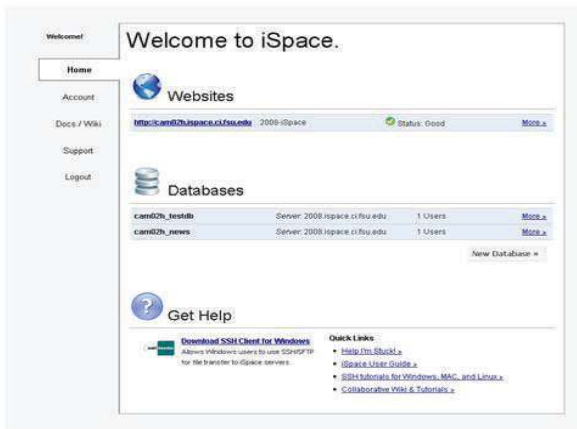


Casey McLaughlin,  
IT Coordinator, CI Graduate

This semester, the College is launching a new version of iSpace that we're calling **iSpace 2.0**. I am very excited about the new features, such as new DNS names, better MySQL support, better backups, better support, more storage space, and better online documentation.

If you already have an iSpace account, you will have the opportunity to upgrade to the new version. However, **upgrading will not be mandatory**, at least not for some time to come. We are making this optional, because upgrading will change your URL, and may cause you to have to tweak parts of your site or web application.

iSpace 2.0 will be launching very soon. For more news about when and how to upgrade, keep your eyes on the CI Newsfeed: <http://ci.fsu.edu/news>. In the meantime, feel free to come by Room 210 in the Shores Building to ask questions, solicit feedback, get the inside scoop, or just chat about IT.



iSpace



Project Hosting and IT Resources for Students, Faculty, and Staff

College of Information undergraduates can participate in research through a number of ways:

1. Directed independent studies (DIS)
2. Internships
3. Grant-funded research

Some examples of GRANT-FUNDED projects students have worked on:



- *The STEER project is a 3-year project funded through the Florida Department of Health Bankhead-Colely Cancer Research Program.*
- *The project aims to develop a clinic-based automated reminder system to help in breast cancer prevention in rural areas.*
- *The project has been able to involve undergraduates in various stages of the project, including the development of a computer-assisted telephone interviewing system (CATI) and the main STEER content and data management system*



- *Ready4Changes (RCP) Project was originally funded through a CRC Planning Grant and is aimed at developing and evaluating a computer-tailored health website to educate middle schoolers on puberty and human sexuality.*
- *We have been able to supplement this project with REU funding through the National Science Foundation that has enabled us to involve undergrads in various aspects of the project.*
- *Thus far, we have been able to fund 5 REU students to work on various aspects of content and web development. Former REU students who have been involved in this project have expressed interest in pursuing graduate degrees.*

**IT Undergrads that worked on STEER:**

Emily Meyer, Mike Wabiszewski

**IT Undergrads that worked on RCP:**

Emily Robarge, Sharon Wynn, Skyler Vander Molen, Melissa Stalnaker, Leo Gutierrez

**Some examples of recent DIS projects are:**

Student	Semester	Research Topic
Nathan Butterfield	Spring 2009	Exploration of Technology Certification
Jared Finnegan	Spring 2009	RFID usage in Healthcare
Dustin Graham	Fall 2008	Investigation of Web Analytics Software
Emily Rosenthal	Fall 2008	Personal Technology Adoption
Eric Baker/Nathan Butterfield	Fall 2008	Instructional Technology Videos Series
Andrew Bertino	Summer 2008	Health Informatics Information Architecture/Web Design