Library Implemented Widgets
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2008 Horizon Report - Emerging technologies and higher ed

Recently, EDUCAUSE and the New Media Consortium published the 2008 version of The Horizon Report. The 2008 report focuses on six areas of emerging technologies that will have an impact on higher education including grassroots video, collaboration weblogs, mobile broadband, data mashups, collective intelligence, and social operating systems. Examples are given of institutions and organizations that are using these tools as well as links to further reading. This is an excellent summer read as we all consider ways to use these fabulous tools in learning.


Enjoy the summer!

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Advertising Age Supplements of possible interest

The following two publications were recently brought to my attention. These are particularly useful (and free) supplements from Advertising Age that contain advertising information that would be difficult to find elsewhere. For example, the Digital Marketing & Media Fact Pack contains consumer internet usage, blog user stats, search engine market share, mobile device user stats, and social networking demographics amongst other stats and info. The Search Marketing Fact Pack has info on topics such as “driving traffic to Wikipedia and YouTube” and search site statistics.

Digital Marketing & Media Fact Pack

Search Marketing Fact Pack

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UNdata - single entry point for UN statistics

The UN Statistical Division has recently launched a new database, UNdata, that searches across all their statistical databases, over 55 million records, making it obviously much easier to search for global statistics. The interface is fairly intuitive and results pages provide information as to what database the statistics are pulled from. The database is available at:

http://data.un.org/
Cornell University: Library Guides with QuestionPoint Ask a Librarian Widget

http://guides.library.cornell.edu/content.php?pid=5703
Instant Message with GU Library Staff

When is IM available?
Monday-Thursday: 1pm-7pm
Friday: 1pm-5pm

Who can use IM?
This service is intended primarily for Georgetown University students, faculty, and staff, but questions from other users will be addressed as appropriate.

What kinds of questions can I ask?
We will attempt to answer all of your questions. In order to answer your questions fully, you may be asked to contact our Reference Staff for further assistance.

How long will I have to wait to get a response from library staff?
Staff will respond as soon as possible, but users at the Reference Desk have priority over IM users. IM users are taken in a first-come-first-served order. Remember at any time you may contact our Reference Staff or visit the Reference Desk on the third floor of Lauinger Library for assistance.

Do I need any special programs or software to use chat reference?
No special software is required. Just start typing in the "IM at GU Libraries" box on the right side of this page. If, however, you use AIM, Yahoo Instant Messenger, Google Chat, or MSN Messenger you can also IM by sending an IM to the screen name "royallibrchat"

Please do not close this window once you have started an IM session.

http://www.library.georgetown.edu/resource/lau_IM.htm
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UNIVERSITY OF KANSAS:  KU Libraries. ask a librarian with AOL Wimzi Widget

http://www.lib.ku.edu/askalibrarian/