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COLLEGE USING GOOGLE SEARCH

The College of Agriculture is now using Google Custom Search Engine for searches on the College website. With the Custom Search Engine, searches for specific subjects can have directed results. For example searching for beef could result links for beef publications, beef extension, beef health listed in order of preference by the College.

STUDENT UK DOWNLOADS

Students have the ability to download several applications from the University of Kentucky downloads website (<http://download.uky.edu>) for use on computers, by logging into the web page with a valid UK username and password. Examples of software available include the following:

- Microsoft Office XP Professional
- Microsoft Office 2007
- Microsoft Windows Vista
- McAfee Virus Scan 8.5i
- SciFinder Scholar 2007
- Spybot Search & Destroy 1.5.1

LIBRARY INFORMATION RESOURCES FOR ADJUNCT FACULTY

Adjunct faculty personnel are eligible for UK AD accounts that will allow them to use library resources, as online databases and e-journals. See Kevin Veach for additional details.

FREE PHONE SERVICES

Some of the services listed may require text message or internet access on cell phones to access instant messages and the web.

1-800-FREE-411 (1-800-373-3411) Provides free directory assistance where a computer or person looks up a number for you at no charge, once a 20 second ad is heard.

Directory assistance through instant messenger is available through Google by sending a text message to 46645 indicating the person or business and location that you are searching for. Example: "University of Kentucky Lexington Ky". If there is only 1 business, you can find information about it by entering just the name, as "University of Kentucky". Information, including the full name, address, and phone number are provided in a text message back.

Google Voice's number of 1-800-GOOG-411(1-800-466-4411) will give business listings in the U.S. and once Google has found the business, you can to connected at no additional charge.

Texting 46645 text message service can search for other information, as the weather, stock quotes, where movies are playing, driving directions, unit conversions, currency conversion, and other information. Google doesn't charge for the service, but if your cell phone plan doesn't include instant messaging, you will need to pay for using it.

800-555-8355 is a voice operated directory assistance that knows your location, and will make suggestions when you identify places requested as "Movies", "Restaurants", "Driving directions" or Taxi.

Have you ever needed driving directions, but couldn't find a map? The service "Mapquest Send to Cell" has the ability to send maps and directions to cell phones via a text message containing a URL link. The service is free, although internet access on your cell phone is required to view images. A full color, movable map & written directions to your destination are available.

More information is available at the following location:

http://www.mapquest.com/features/main.adp?page=help_sendtocell

Another service my Mapquest is “MapQuest For Mobile Web”. It allows the MapQuest service to be available on your cell phone. Instructions for use are available at the following location:

http://www.mapquest.com/features/main.adp?page=slashmobile_mobileweb

REDUCE TRAVEL RELATED EXPENSES

With gas prices rising, people are often trying to find ways to maximize their budgets. Several web sites exist to indicate gas prices, as the following:

<http://gasprices.mapquest.com/>

<http://www.lexingtongasprices.com/>

Kayak.com can compare prices for flights, hotels, cars, cruises, and more. Comparisons are made between several search engines, as Expedia, Hotwire, Priceline, Hotels.com, CarRentals.com, and other search engines on the web. More information is available from the following web site:

<http://www.kayak.com>

Skybus is an airline that flies to several locations around the U.S. with up to 10 tickets per flight costing \$10, others costing \$25, \$35 and up. Expect to pay additional for items include soda and peanuts that are typically free on other airlines. Skybus is based in Columbus, Ohio, has several destinations, offers low fares and nonstop flights. The web site for Skybus is the following:

<http://www.skybus.com/>

MCAFEE ROOT KIT DETECTOR

Have you had popups to occur or notice your computer is becoming slow? You may have a root kit installed on your computer. A root kit is a program that is able to hide itself so that antivirus applications and even operating systems don't know they exist. McAfee has a root kit detector that is available from the UK download web site at the following address:

<http://download.uky.edu>

NETSCAPE BROWSER DEVELOPMENT STOPS

The Netscape browser favored by 90% of the market at one time has stopped development, but will provide security updates for the application until February 1, 2008. AOL (owner of Netscape) indicated the market share for the browser fell below 1%, and attempts at reviving the browser have failed.

OFFICE 2003 UPDATE RENDERS OLDER WORD DOCUMENTS INACCESSIBLE

A support bulletin from Microsoft indicates the Microsoft Office 2003 Service Pack 3 blocks documents created in Word 97 for Windows, Word 98 for Macintosh, and older versions. Older versions of Excel, PowerPoint, Lotus Notes and Quattro Pro are also included in the program files that are made inaccessible by the update. Microsoft indicated the primary reason for this update was to increase compatibility with Windows Vista.

Microsoft has since provided the following updates to unblock previous versions of documents rendered inaccessible through Office 2003 Service Pack 3:

Re-enable Word file types:

<http://download.microsoft.com/download/2/8/B/28B644CE-9A30-4D99-AFEF-830A4FB5B839/UnblockWord.reg>

Re-enable Excel file types:

<http://download.microsoft.com/download/2/8/B/28B644CE-9A30-4D99-AFEF-830A4FB5B839/UnblockExcel.reg>

Re-enable PowerPoint file types:

<http://download.microsoft.com/download/2/8/B/28B644CE-9A30-4D99-AFEF-830A4FB5B839/UnblockPowerPoint.reg>

REMINDER: WE HAVE VIDEO EQUIPMENT, MICROPHONE EQUIPMENT, STREAMING VIDEO SERVER, & A WEB SERVER

This is a reminder that the department has a video camera to record videos, wireless handheld & lavalier microphones (for video camera or classroom speaker use), capability to create DVD's, streaming video capabilities, and a Web Server for linking to the streaming video server. Options for viewing video streams are limited to the UK campus.

Video from Scientific equipment (as microscopes) with an S-Video or RCA out option can be recorded, edited, converted to digital form, burned to a DVD, and/or converted to streaming video. Using the streaming video server for recording videos applicable to

classes can allow students or other professors to bring subject matter to life. Material is viewable on-demand any time they wish.

The department video streaming server is available at the following:

<http://afs.ca.uky.edu/videos/>

REMINDER: SURPLUS EXCESS COMPUTER EQUIPMENT

If any additional computer related items are in your area, contact kveach@uky.edu to surplus them. These items include (but aren't limited to) monitors, keyboards, computers, printers, and spare computer parts.

FEDERAL EXCESS PROPERTY

The following items are examples of equipment and supplies available from Federal Excess:

Ultra Low (-80 degree) Revco ULT 2166-5-AVA and ULT 2189-9-A30 Freezers
Lab Gas Generator
Flamable Material Storage Refrigerator
Balancer Mettler AE200
Incubator
Operating Room Light
Culture Tubes
Pipettes
Flex Tips
Suction Pumps
Gloves

Federal Excess employees are requesting want and wish lists. A "want list" includes items needed every day, and a "wish list" is items that would be purchased if given \$10 million grant. These items would be anything related to federal or military use. Steve Nicholas of the UK Federal Excess program needs your want and wish list emailed to him at the following address:

snnichol@uky.edu

Items that UK Federal Excess receives are based on what requests are made for. If an item isn't requested, they may not order it.

RECENT NEW DOWNLOADS FROM DOWNLOAD.UKY.EDU

None Available at this time.

WORKSHOPS/TRAINING

The following classes are held in the UK Human Resources Training & Development Room 106 McVey Hall:

- 1/23 – Outlook 2007 Level 2: Calendar Features 9:00 – 11:30
- 1/23 – HTML 2: Images & Tables 1:30 – 4:00
- 1/29 – Using Access 2007 9:00 – 11:30
- 1/30 – Introduction to Dreamweaver MX 2004 1:30 – 4:00
- 2/1 – Word 2007 Level 1: Introduction 9:00 – 11:30
- 2/5 – Outlook 2007 Level 1: Introduction 1:30 – 4:00
- 2/8 – Word 2007 Level 2: Beyond Basic Documents 9:00 – 11:30
- 2/12 – Outlook 2007 Level 2: Calendar Features 1:30 – 4:00
- 2/13 – Excel 2007 Level 1: Introduction 9:00 – 11:30
- 2/18 – Getting to Know Office 2007 2:00 – 3:00
- 2/19 – Word 2007 Level 1: Introduction 1:30 – 4:00
- 2/20 - Excel 2007 Level 2: Formulas, Filters and Functions 9:00 – 11:30
- 2/21 – HTML 1: Basic Coding 9:00 – 11:30
- 2/26 – Word 2007 Level 2: Beyond Basic Documents 1:30 – 4:00
- 2/27 – PowerPoint 2007 Level 1: Introduction 9:00 – 11:30
- 2/28 – HTML 2: Images & Tables
- 2/29 – Navigating the Web 1:00 – 3:00

Registration for the above classes and a full monthly calendar is available at the following address:

<http://hr.uky.edu/TandD/calendar.php?curmonth=1&curyear=2008>

WEB STATISTICS

No newer versions of statistics were available since April 2007.