INforum: A Library/IT Collaboration in Professional Development

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Overview

INforum is a collaborative program at Indiana University created by librarians, technologists and information scientists to help meet the professional development needs within these increasingly interdependent professions. Now in its second year, INforum programs have addressed a range of issues related to networked information and its increasing importance to higher education. This briefing session will provide an overview of the INforum program, with discussion of key issues including: the need for professional development, the value of grassroots initiatives and local focus in program design, collaboration as a workstyle, and the role of Library and IT administrators in fostering collaboration and local initiative.

Keywords -- Key Concepts

Origin ==> Grassroots      Method ==> Collaboration
Purpose ==> Professional
Development    Focus ==> Networked Information

Programs: 1993-94

"Two Worlds/Two Cultures...How Two Professions Approach the Wilderness of Internet Resources." November 3, 1993. (video: Z674.82 .I59 T85 1993)


"Information Anarchy/Information Order in the Electronic Age." March 2, 1994. (no video)


**Programs: 1994-95 (first semester only)**


**Information Resources**

Video recordings of selected INforum programs are available from the Indiana University Library through Inter-Library Loan. Where available, call numbers are listed above.

Selected texts from INforum programs are available at the URL: gopher://gopher.indiana.edu:70/11/theuniversity/inforum

Articles describing the INforum program:

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