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Let me be one of the first to welcome all the new students and their parents to our beautiful campus for June orientation! I would like to encourage all of you to check out the Office of Information Technology table on the first floor of Sangren Hall. If you have any technology related questions or comments, I would love to hear from you. I can be reached at atom.wolf@wmich.edu or (269) 387-3838. Go WMU! Go Broncos!



Microsoft Office 365 ProPlus: Who doesn't like FREE? Well the Office of Information Technology has recently completed an arrangement with Microsoft that will allow all currently enrolled students and all currently employed faculty and staff to receive up to five downloadable copies of Microsoft Office 365 Pro Plus for FREE! All current students, faculty and staff can also download FREE versions of Microsoft Office for their smart phones and tablets. Word Online, Excel Online, PowerPoint Online, and OneNote Online are also available for FREE! In addition to these Microsoft Office solutions all current faculty, staff, and students can receive 1 terabyte of FREE Microsoft OneDrive cloud storage. The acceptable use policy, terms of service, help, and support information can be found at wmich.edu/helpdesk/office365. These Microsoft products are intended for personally owned devices. Microsoft products on University owned devices are still the responsibility of your respective network administrator or IT support person. If you have any additional questions please contact the Office of Information Technology Help Desk at (269) 387-4357, option 1.

InCommon Research and Scholarship: If you are part of WMU's research community, I would like to encourage you to check out this new IT service that allows you to take advantage of InCommon's federated identity services to more easily connect and share information with fellow researchers across the globe. If you would like to find out more, please contact Greg Lozeau (269) 387-0091, or Leonard Peirce (269) 387-5469.

Online Computer Training: Faculty and staff interested in receiving free online computer training need only send an email to oit-lynda-admin@wmich.edu requesting access to lynda.com. Over 3,500 online courses are available covering over 250 topics and training is available 24 hours a day, seven days a week to accommodate all learning styles and paces. Courses range from beginner to expert and categories include 3D/animation, audio/music, business, CAD, design, developer, photography, video, Web, education/elearning and IT. Course topics are Photoshop, Unity, Audacity, Office, Google Analytics, SharePoint, AutoCAD, CorelDRAW, Android, Java, Ruby, Python, Prezi, Linux, GIS, VMware, SQL Server, Twitter, LinkedIn, Instagram, Lightroom, JavaScript and much much more.

Did you know? The spring 2015 commencement ceremonies at Western Michigan University were the first ever to be live streamed in high definition. The Office of Information Technology media services team worked very hard over the winter months to design and implement HD functionality. Thank you media services for bringing this exciting new service to WMU!