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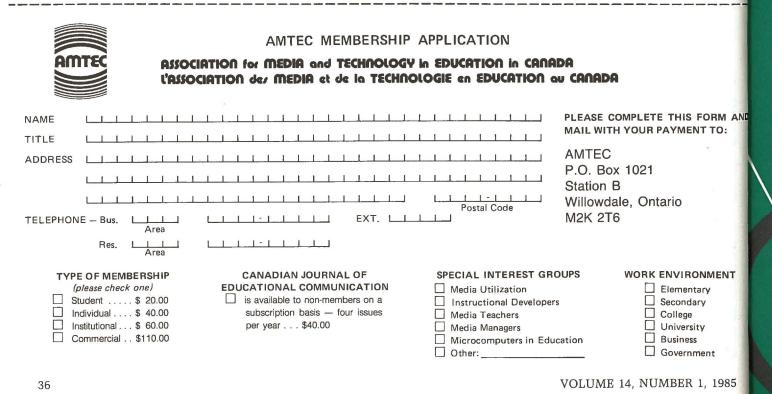
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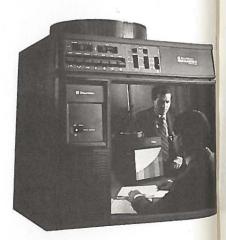
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29 Reasons why you should attend the AMTEC '85 Conference in Calgary

Classroom."

literacy.

by D. Hlynka

From June 16-19, 1985. AMTEC will hold what might best be described as the 15th Annual National Conference on Educational Technology. I say 15th, since, to the best of my knowledge, the "first" was held in Edmonton, in the summer of 1971. (However, historians of our association may be able to give more precise data. Incidentally, if anyone out there can send me the locations of the other thirteen conferences, we will list them in the next issue of CJEC.)

Once again the conference promises an exciting cross section of papers, workshops and discussion sessions which ilustrate the state of the art of our field in our country. Here are 29 good reasons for attending.

Reason #1. The first keynote speaker will be Frank Ogden, noted entrepreneur, consultant, futurist, and information specialist. Ogden is the epitome of Toeffler's electronic cottage. His BC based houseboat is equipped with some \$100,000 worth of telecommunications equipment, with which he can monitor information from around the world. His keynote presentation for AMTEC '85 is titled THE COMMUNICATIONS ELITE. He will address the question of Canada's role in the world of technology . . . are we a leader or a follower? Drastic changes will occur in the immediate near future, says Ogden, with important implications.

Reason #2. Dr. Norman Wagner, president and vice chancellor of the University of Calgary will be the second-day keynote speaker. His presentation will focus on what is new in Alberta, particularly the Canadian Center for Learning Systems.

Reason #3 is Dr. David Merill, University of Southern California. The title of his presentation is "Educational Software: What Should You Get for \$39.95?" The annotation available to me says "Educational software is slim in content and quality. What characteristics contribute to product quality? What constitutes instructionally effective courseware? How much instruction should you expect on a disc? Through a series of program segments, characteristics which comprise

Bonar. Reason #18 is Glen Manyluk on "School media resource centers." Reason #19. Dr. Joan McLeod will review recent research in brain-mind development, and its implications for education. The title is "Mind and Brain: A Search for Unity."

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poor and high quality instructional software will be illustrated and described." Reason #4. Dave Marles will present on "Logo: Robotics in the Elementary

Reason #5. Rod McConnell will provide an overview of laserdisc technology, what it is, its application, where it is going in education and training.

Reason #6 is AMTEC's well known and well established MEDIA FESTIVAL. Reason #7 is a series of first time IN-DUSTRY SEMINARS.

Reason #8. A panel on copyright with Frank Keyes and Gaylord Watkins. Frank Keyes is copyright director of the Department of Communications.

Reason #9: Bob Allan on COMAL

Reason #10: Barry Eshpeter on Visual

Reason #11: Katheryn McNaughton on "Home Made Education: Training to Family Day Care Providers."

Reason #12 is Ben Hambelton on "Management for media managers."

Reason #13 is a description of the historical background of a co-operatively developed computerized film/media booking system presented by Cal Annis and Myrna Girardi.

Reason #14 is June Landsburg and Mike Reddington talking about the Knowledge Network.

Reason #15 is Dr. Richard Lewis panel on television and children.

Reason #16 is a discussion on satellite technology for the Access Network by Dr. Michael Plumb and Ian James.

Reason #17 is a presentation which documents the implementation of CAI delivery of a course to undergraduate students with examination of constraints, set up, maintenance, evaluation and revision procedures. Titled "Delivery of a University Course in Special Education by Computer Assisted Instruction", the presentation is by Dave Mappin and Katy

Reason #20: Edna Bakken, Louise Beerman, and Dorthy Harvie on implementing OPAC (Online Public Access Catalogue.)

Reason #21. "Dialog and Knowledge Inded: Online Searching." by Marcia Olmstead. A description and demonstration.

Reason #22. "The Department of Communications Development of Technologies in Education." Jean-Jacques Rousseau is tentatively scheduled to represent the DOC.

Reason #23. Jim Langley on "Television: A Positive Approach." The influence of television on young people is becoming more and more pronounced. Here are some ideas for teachers to use in the classroom about critical viewing, lesson planning, and the use of network TV.

Reason #24. Tom Rich will outline the development of "A Canadian Database of Educational Computer Software Information.''

Reason #25. Lonnie Springer will discuss "Computer Literacy: A Unique Approach to Teacher Inservicing and Implementation."

Reason #26. Dr. Hanna Mayer will explore the techniques of needs assessment. Reason #27. Roy Wilcox will present

"The complete mediated school."

Reason #28. Dr. Bill Winn will provide the conference summation, at the concluding luncheon. His title: "Future Connections."

Reason #29. The Tuesday evening Rocky Mountain Whoop Up Rodeo and Barbeque.

The above information represents only the initial planning of the conference committee. Other papers and presentations are yet to be announced. For more information, contact Bob Sivertsen, Director of the Department of Communications Media, University of Calgary, 2500 University Drive NW, Calgary T2N 1N4, or telephone at 403-284-5285.

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committee has also been conscientious about seeking speakers of excellence who will appeal to other groups in attendance at the conference. There are numerous, exciting sessions. Just a sample, Ron Ghitter: Tolerance and understanding. Iame H. Marsh, Editor-in-Chief, Hurtig Publishers:

The Makingof the CANADIAN EN-CYCLOPEDIA. Geoffrey Chapman,

of Australia: Parallels between school library programs in Canada and Australia.

Other programs include experts speaking on the television production for children; the gifted child and the library; integrating school library programs; the reluctant reader; program planning; integrating music and drama through the resource center; co-operative program planning; automated services for school libraries; and one of the most popular sessions at CSLA: a well-planned tour of Calgary schools with a wide choice for your special interest.

And finally: the conference takes place in the center of Calgary with access to many shops, museums and night spots. Plan to pack some casual (Western?) gear. The Social Committee has worked up a super series of events for your entertainment. Please watch for future details or contact the Canadian Library Association.

40th CONFERENCE-CALGARY, ALBERTA, JUNE 13-18 1985

Society, Technology and Development Conference, India

A conference on "Society, Technology and Development" was held at the University of Rajasthan from Feb. 10-15, 1985. The Shastri Indo-Canadian Institute sent several Canadian scholars to present papers at the conference, including Dr. Glenn Cartwright, McGill University.

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The Association for the Study of Canadian Radio and Television sees an awakening recognition on the part of scholars and the public at large of the importance of broadcasting in Canadian cultural life. The Association's activities

encourage this interest. We note with concern at the same time that the programs, documents and artifacts of our broadcasting heritage continue to be at risk because of their fragile nature and because of a lack of understanding of their importance. Moreover, those materials which are safe from harm are not always accessible to students of broadcasting and other would-be users.

Objectives

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• To encourage their reuse and study.

Broadcasting has been a crucial element of Canadian experience in the 20th century, touching the lives of all Canadians, and drawing upon the skills of many professions. The Association recognizes this, and encourages the active involvement of a wide spectrum of interests. The Association, therefore, brings together a broad range of people concerned with the preservation and study of Canadian broadcasting. These include the creators of programs (writers, announcers, actors, technicians), the preservers of programs, broadcast artifacts and documents (archivists, librarians, museologists, collectors), and those institutions and individuals who wish to reuse or study broadcasting materials (teachers, scholars and broadcasting organizations). All these groups are represented on the Association's rolls.

NOTE: Cheque or money-order payable to:

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This fifth annual conference will continue the tradition of stressing panel and round-table discussions, workshops, poster sessions, seminars, and other types of interactive presentaions. Researchbased presentations are appropriate only if they have practical implications for the improvement of higher education and can be communicated in an interactive, nonlecture format.

Appropriate topics include, but are certainly not limited to, the following:

- Inservice training for teaching assistants. - Successful curriculum development in
- higher education.
- Role of the department chairperson. - Computer-assisted instruction.
- Strategies for teaching problem solving.
- Peer assessment of teaching.
- The changing role of instructional-development services.
- Theory and praxis in teaching and learning.
- Student evaluation of teaching. - Continuing education: key to survival?
- Teleconferencing: panacea or menace?
- Training for administrative tasks. - Student characteristics and success in
- postsecondary education. - Encouraging independent learning
- Lifelong learning and higher education
- Simulations and games.
- Increasing cost-effectiveness in educational development centres. - Contact learning.
- Computer literacy.
- Educational development in the health sciences.

Program Highlights

Ian Winchester, OISE, Howard Woodhouse, Western Ontario, "The Dramatical in Education: Teaching as Art Rather than Technique." Panel discussion.

Trien T. Nguyen, U. of Waterloo, "Computer-Assisted Instruction in Undergraduate Microeconomics".

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are: Membership

G. Pernuiak, J. Picard, E. Rubin, Athabasca University, "Issues in University Distance Education: An Open Panel Discussion."

R.E. Hartley, Western Ontario, "Toward CAI Programs that Really Work."

Don McIntosh, U. of Guelph, "Interactive Video for Teaching Therapy Skills".

Don Willison, McMaster, "A Critical Review of the Use of Telecommunications in the Continuing Education of Health Care Professionals".

Donald McDonell, V. Sistek, R. Leblanc, U. of Ottawa, "Teaching by Telphone". Panel discussion.

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A Canadian youth and children's

As a result of letters of intervention sent by groups and organizations from across the nation, the CRTC has scheduled hearings throughout the country to give all those who wish to speak to the question of a new TV channel devoted to children and youth, an opportunity to do so.

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The Foundation will be much like the Children's Television Workshop - the people who brought you "Seasame Street" - combined with PBS - the American public television network, or an organization in Australia which pro-

grams material for young people. The foundation would have a small staff of acknowledged experts in this field of television and film programming, whose jobs would be to develop and oversee the production of shows for the network.

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Presently, interested parties are being invited to participate in the formation of Provincial Advisory Councils to the Young Canada Television Foundation.

For further information please contact your nearest NFB office: or

Young Canada Television/Tele-Jeunesse Canada

c/o National Film Board of Canada P.Bo Box 6100, Station "A" Montreal, Quebec H3C 2H5

Phone: (514) 284-9249 Attn: David Balcon, Project Manager

World Congress on Education and Technology

The World Congress on Education and Technology will be held in Vancouver, Canada from May 22-25, 1986. Planned separately as an initiative of the British Columbia School Trustees Association, the World Congress will serve as a major complement to the activities of EXPO 86. the Vancouver World's Exposition.

Attracting 10,000 participants from around the world to discuss the impact of the new technology on the various education systems, the many cultures, and on global society in general, the World Congress is the first conference of its kind to address the issue of technology in such a broad context. The World Congress on Education and Technology is designed to:

- familarize participants with international developments and ideas related to education, culture and technology
- judge the impact that technology has, and will have, on the quality of life
- develop a rationale and sense of purpose for the evolution of technology in the classroom
- examine ethical and philosophical issues related to the application of technology
- study projects and innovations regarding the application of computers and communications devices in educational institutions
- test current educational policies and practices against new criteria and stan-

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Major Field Techniques & Instruction Levels by Canadian Instructional **Developers**

by Tom Bennett

Survey Population

The survey population of the study was

composed of members of the Association

for Media and Technology in Education

in Canada (AMTEC). Specifically, the

population comprised those members of

the AMTEC mailing list who were nam-

ed and connected with an educational

institution or educational-interfacing

organization such as TV Ontario and AC-

CESS Alberta. It was reasoned that such

members of AMTEC would have the re-

quisite training and employment position

that would most likely require the prac-

tice of ID techniques. After being

originally published in Media Message,

the survey population was targeted by a

personal mailing of the instrument and

followed by two subsequent mailings.

The final return was composed of 112

responses, which represented a total of

37.33%, a significantly reliable return for

surveys of this nature. Computer analysis

of the data was accomplished by the

Statistical Package for the Social

Sciences² and significance was tested at

appeared in the final survey, were culled

from an original list of 108 techniques

following a previous survey of thirty In-

structional Developers identified as field

experts who were currently employed in

Canadian and United States universities.

In order to present the findings of the

survey, the writer will present each of the

nine questions that the study addressed,

What are the major techniques be-

Of the sixty techniques in the study,

only nine (15.0%) were considered to be

the major ones being used by the survey

ing employed by Canadian instruc-

followed by the statistical results:

tional developers in the field?

Summary of Findings

Ouestion One:

Finding:

The sixty (60) field techniques which

the .05 level.

Introduction

In a 1981 issue of Media Message (10:3;16-23), a survey instrument was printed in order to identify which instructional development field techniques were being utilized to a significant degree by Canadian developers and to what extent they were being employed. Further, the researcher wanted to discover which techniques were unfamiliar to the population, which techniques were perceived as being valuable to the field of ID, and which ones were actually being taught to a significant degree in Canadian institutions of learning.

Aside from the above major considerations, the study attempted to ascertain if there were correlations between the level of technique use and employment areas of the survey population, between the level of technique use and the educational training of the surveyed developers, and between the level of technique use and the number of years of teaching experience of the surveyed developers.

Finally, the study culminated in a matching of the resulting major techniques (as perceived by the survey population), with various functions of a recognized instructional development model. This latter consideration resulted in a very successful matching of the major or power techniques with the thirteen functions of Gentry's Management Framework Model. Realising that the results of this matching process would be best reported as distinct from the above survey considerations, the writer will focus on the Management Framework match in a subsequent article.

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population of Canadian instructional developers: (see Table 1)

Ouestion Two:

What is the developer's perceived level of competency with each technique?

Finding:

Of the sixty techniques in the study, the survey population of developers felt competent with the use of twenty-eight (46.7%). These techniques are ranked from 1 through 28 in Table 2.

Question Three:

What is the perceived relevancy of each technique as viewed by the developers?

Finding:

Of the sixty techniques, the population of developers felt that only twenty (33.3%) of them were relevant or valuable to the field of Instructional Development. These may be found numbered 1 through 20 in Table 3.

Ouestion Four:

How many of the techniques are unfamiliar to the developers?

Finding:

Of the sixty techniques in the study, it was determined that fourteen (23.3%) techniques were unfamiliar to the survey population. These are numbered 47 through 60 in Table 2. Conversely, it was determined that 46 (76.7%) of the techniques were familiar to the survey population.

Question Five:

Which of these techniques are currently being taught to a significant degree of instructional development programs and teacher education programs in Canadian graduate and undergraduate institutions of learning?

Finding:

It was determined that none of the techniques are being taught to a significant degree in a formal manner at the institutions employing the members of the survey population. Even the highest ranking techniques only scored a mean of .63 (see Table 4).

Ouestion Six:

Is the number of years of teaching experience relative to the use of techniques?

Finding:

With the exception of five techniques (Delphi, Instructional Analysis Kit, Micro Teaching, Program Planning Budgeting System, and Role Playing), it was determined after performing a Pearson Correlation that there is no significant relationship between the number of years of teaching experience and the use of techniques. Further, it may be of interest to note that of the five techniques where a significant relationship existed, none of them were deemed to be valuable to the field as reported in Table 3.

Question Seven:

Are the respective employment areas of the surveyed developers related to the level of technique use?

Finding:

In order to address this question, a oneway analysis of variance (ANOVA) was performed between the Level of Use and the Title or Present Job Responsibility of the surveyed developers. It was discovered that there was no statistically significant evidence to prove that a relationship existed between employment and use; however, a trend did appear which illustrated that the Administrators category had a larger mean than did the University and College Instructors category, which in turn had a larger mean than did the Teachers and Consultants category, which in turn had a larger mean than the Support Staff of Audio-visual Technicians and Librarians category. Yet, in spite of such a trend, there would exist a 26% chance of error when suggesting that a statistically significant relationship existed.

Question Eight:

Is the graduate and/or postgraduate education of the developers related to the level of technique use?

Finding:

An ANOVA was performed between the Level of Use score and the Level of Highest Education, and as was the case in question seven above, it was discovered that a definite trend appeared suggesting that the use of ID field techniques increased with the amount of education of the survey population. Yet, this was only a trend and no statistical significance may be attributed to the results of the survey as there would be a 41% chance that nay decision based upon the statistics would be incorrect.

was a definite significant relationship bet-

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However, it was discovered that there

drawn from the findings of the study. 1. Because of the very low number of field techniques being used and the very low number of techniques being taught by the members of the survey population, it may be concluded that very few Canadian institutions are teaching instructional development techniques at the graduate and/or post graduate levels.

2. Because a relatively low percentage of field techniques are perceived to the valuable and very few techniques are

Development.

d) The more valuable developers perceive field techniques to be to Instructional Development, the more use they will make of them, and the more competent they will become with them.

Conclusions

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ween the education and the survey population's perceived Competency Levels of the techniques (p = .0241). Further, it was discovered that a definite significant relationship existed between the level of education and the degree to which the institutions employing the survey population teach the techniques

Question Nine:

(p = .0002).

Finding:

Are the four major categories of competency level, level of use, value of instructional development, and degree to which institution teaches interrelated?

It was determined that a strong relationship existed among the four major categories of Competency Level, Level of Use, Value to ID, and Degree to Which Institution Teaches the Techniques.

a) The greater degree that graduate and/or post graduate institutions teach field techniques, the more familiar and competent the student developers will be with them, the more valuable they will perceive the techniques to be, and the more use they will make of them in the field after graduation.

b) The more competent that the developers are with the field techniques, the more valuable they will perceive them to be and the more use they will make of them in the field.

c) The more use that the developers make of field techniques, the more competent they will become with them and the more valuable they will perceive them to be to the field of Instructional

The following conclusions may be

being used, it may be concluded that very few Canadian institutions are teaching instructional development techniques at the graduate and/or post graduate levels.

- Because there is a high familiarity level of field techniques but a very low significance level of techniques being taught by members of the survey population, it may be concluded that Canadian Instructional Developers are receiving their information about field techniques through formal training outside of Canada, or through their professional readings.
- 4. Because the survey population was familiar with a large number of the field techniques, of which they determined few were used and many were of low value, it may be concluded that there may be a number of techniques being used which were not listed on the survey sample.
- 5. If it may be concluded that there are a number of techniques which were not on the survey sample and as only two additional techniques (3%) were suggested by the field experts (only one from sixteen Canadian experts), it may be concluded that other field experts exist who are familiar with additional field techniques that were not included on the survey instrument, or were not members of AMTEC.
- 6. Because the survey population was familiar with a large number of the field techniques, of which they determined few were used and many were of low value, it may be concluded that there are a significant number of AMTEC members who are familiar with instructional development techniques but who are not actually practising instructional development activities in their professional work. In other words, a developer may know about a technique, but due to job orientation, s/he may not be able to develop skills with it from lack of use.
- To the extent that the survey population was familiar with 76.7% of the techniques, valued 33.3% of the techniques, and used 15% of the techniques, it may be concluded that there is a progression of responses from familiarity, to competency, to perceived value, to usage of the field techniques. Given such, it may be concluded that the more techniques a

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A Consortium for Educational Audio Teleconferencing in British Columbia

by William Robertson, David Kaufman, June Landsburg, John Macleod, Arlene Zuckernick

ABSTRACT

Five post-secondary educational institutions and the educational television authority in British Columbia formed an informal consortium in 1983 to cooperate in using audio teleconferencing for course delivery. Consortium members have pooled audio teleconferencing equipment, staff, and facilities to improve provincewide services and to reduce operating costs. This paper describes the organization of the consortium, the background to its formation, the experiences of the members, results and future directions. Use of audio teleconferencing as a delivery mode has risen sharply since September 1983 with the greatest use being in continuing professional education often in cooperation with the professional societies. The consortium anticipates an expansion of the system from its present 23 sites to 35 in 1984/1985 and continued expansion by a minimum of 25% in hours of use by June 1985.

INTRODUCTION

Audio teleconferencing by postsecondary institutions is growing rapidly on Canada's west coast. An informal consortium for educational audio teleconferencing in the province of British Columbia will complete its pilot year of operation at the end of April 1984. The goals of this group are fairly simple and straight forward. The institutions in-

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David M. Kaufman. Educational consultant. Former Director of Course Design and later Director of Educational Technology for the Open Learning In-

volved are committed to pooling resources and expanding educational services at a reasonable cost to distant learners throughout the province, while maintaining the variety and flexibility in programming that currently exists in post-secondary education. Such cooperation in a time of restraint continues to be encouraged at all govermental and institutional levels.

British Columbia's 366,000 square miles contain some of Canada's most spectacular scenery. Located astride a half-dozen major mountain ranges, and including a large island, transportation is difficult and expensive. Greater Vancouver is over half the provincial population, with a smaller urban concentration in the Victoria area. The remaining population is scattered in small cities, towns and individual homesteads over the vast and rugged British landmass. All this causes great difficulty in the provision of educational services with some equity across the province.

The three universities are located in the major urban areas: the University of British Columbia and Simon Fraser University in the Vancouver area and the University of Victoria on the Island. The British Columbia Institute of Technology is also in Greater Vancouver. In addition, there are 15 regional colleges in B.C. which offer, in addition to college programs, one or two years of university work in a number of disciplines. Following this, the students may complete degree work at one of the universities.

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The Open Learning Institute provides a broad range of correspondence throughout the province, and the Knowledge Network of the West operates an educational television channel distributed by satellite.

The establishment of an informal administrative and equipment consortium has allowed institutions to use audio teleconferencing which they would otherwise not have been able to, given the prohibitive cost of deploying receive equipment throughout an area that is 860 km wide by 1,200 km long (540 miles by 750 miles).

This paper will present a descriptive study of this informal consortium, the participating institutions use of the system during the pilot period, and some thoughts on the future directions of audio teleconferencing in British Columbia.

HISTORICAL PERSPECTIVE

Educational audio teleconferencing as a regular method of delivering courses to off-campus students has only been available in British Columbia since September 1982. However, educational institutions have been experimenting with telecommunications as a delivery mode for the past eight years. In 1976, the Distance Education Department of the British Columbia Institute of Technology (BCIT) developed a twelve week course that was delivered by telephone company-provided audio teleconferencing to nine small, widely-scattered communities on the north end of Vancouver Island. Approximately sixty people met for three hours on each of the twelve nights. Resident experts drawn on a rotational basis from the nine communities led the seminars. The concept was effective with most participants agreeing that it had been a useful experience even though the audio levels were lower than most would have liked. The programmers decided that, until the sound quality could be improved and the line charges reduced, audio teleconferencing would

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be of limited use for reaching students in remote communities.

In 1977, the British Columbia Ministry of Education, in cooperation with the Canadian Department of Communications, used the communications satellite Hermes (earlier known as the Communications Technology Satellite) to experiment with direct broadcast television to, and satellite returned audio from five of the larger population centers in British Columbia. Radio telephones were used to return the audio from a sixth center, a remote logging camp. Most of the province's educational institutions in cooperation with hospitals and libraries conducted a wide range of educational and public information experiments through the fall. When the experiments were complete, an informal consortium of experimenters and the Ministry of Education developed a proposal to the Department of Communications to conduct a longer experiment on the Anik-B satellite which was expected to be avaliable in 1978 or 1979. The proposals led to the Distance Education Department of BCIT being contracted in 1979 by the Ministry of Education to develop and manage an eight month experiment in satellite delivered, interactive, instructional television. Programming originated in Vancouver and was received in ten centers in British Columbia and one in the Yukon. The satellite's transmit and receive equipment was stationed at seven separate colleges and institutes which formed an operating consortium of relatively equal partners coordinated by BCIT.

The project grew from 14 hours of live, interactive, televised instruction in October 1979 to 42 hours a week in January 1980. During the eight months, 19 separate organizations had become continuing or temporary members of the consortium, developing an awareness of the potential of telecommunications for delivering educational programs and making the personal contacts that were essential for the operation of an informal consortium. The experiment was extended to September 1980 when the newly created Knowledge Network of the West (KNOW) began to coordinate and direct all educational television delivery in B.C. KNOW negotiated further extensions of the experiment time on Anik-B and later transferred to Anik-C, purchasing its time like any commercial user. KNOW gradually accessed cable and low-power re-broadcast facilities and created a hybrid closed circuit and broadcast one-

Individual tele Total hours of User contact h As the use of the audio teleconferencing system grew, programmers quickly realized that the rental receive equipment (moderators) was spending more time in transit to the different sites than being used for teleconferencing. After a review of the 1982/1983 academic year, BCIT suggested to other users that an informal consortium should be formed to share whatever resources each could contribute

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way delivery system. Students who wish to speak with instructors during the live portions of a broadcast now do so through toll-free dial access. The loosely organized consortium that was effective during the experimental period has been replaced by a series of committees advisory to KNOW. The most significant change for educational programmers has been in the openness of access to courses by prospective students. It is now not possible to restrict access to the educational programs to only those persons who are fully registered as fee paying students. While the openness of the system provides excellent public relations for institutions, fee revenue has generally dropped. Some programmers no longer use KNOW because of concerns of confidentiality or of royalty conditions on their purchased course materials.

In 1982, an accidental discovery by BCIT of an audio bridging system in a local radio station led to an agreement between BCIT and the radio station's parent company, Western International Communications Ltd. of Vancouver, to test a prototype bridge at BCIT and to produce portable receive station equipment (amplifier/speaker and four microphones). The use of the teleconference system grew rapidly in 1982 and 1983 as continuing education programmers who had been part of the original Anik-B consortium rented more and more time on the BCIT bridge, shipping rented equipment to receive sites as needed. In all cases, the programmers were directing their courses to specialized free-paying groups in up to ten different locations. Although there is a higher cost for using the audio teleconferencing system than the publicly supported KNOW system, audio teleconferencing is growing very rapidly because of greater flexibility in scheduling and much higher fee revenue.

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conference	155	192
teleconferencing	223	467
nours (estimated)	16,300	78,000

for improving the level of educational audio teleconferencing in British Columbia.

CONSORTIUM STRUCTURE

The consortium is an informal association of educational institutions whose main use of audio teleconferencing is to deliver continuing education to offcampus students. Agreement to form the consortium was made at the operating staff level in September 1983. There are no formal inter-institutional agreements or legal ties other than an exchange of letters of intent. As soon as those institutions (BCIT, Simon Fraser University, and the University of British Columbia and KNOW) who had audio teleconferencing equipment or remote classroom sites agreed they could pool their resources, other organizations (Open Learning Institute, Univeristy of British Columbia and KNOW) who had a special programming or coordinating interest in distance education, were invited to join the consortium discussions. The group agreed to conduct a pilot project between September 1983 and May 1984. The goal of the project was:

- to provide a cost-effective, provincewide audio teleconferencing service through pooling and coordination of resources.

Objectives agreed to were:

- to develop an inter-institutional process for sharing audio teleconferencing systems.
- to determine if audio teleconferencing is a cost-effective method for delivering post secondary programs in British Columbia.
- to determine the level of user acceptance of audio teleconferencing in British Columbia.
- to introduce new users to audio teleconferencing.
- to explore new ways of using audio teleconferencing.

Individual users in the consortium had their own objectives, some of which were:

- to reduce operating costs.
- to increase the number of easily accessible receive sites.
- to generate increased revenue.
- to reduce time required to organize individual teleconferences.

The equipment pooled in the consortium is two identical, 10-line operatorcontrolled bridges in Vancouver, one at

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Preparing Personnel for School Media and Library Service **Positions: Some Observations**

by Marvin E. Duncan

A trend has emerged during the past decade or so toward the closer articulation of educational media services and library services and the curriuculums associated with them. This trend has revealed itself in several ways: (1) college and university media services are being housed in the existing library building or a new structure with a designation such as the learning resources building; this practice is also being followed in secondary schools and community colleges where there are oftimes separate library buildings; (2) media hardware at the elementary, secondary, and community college levels is stored in the library or in an adjacent room in institutions where library services occupy a room rather than a building; (3) media services, as are library services, are performed by library personnel; merged preparation programs in library service and educational media have been established in institutions of higher education which seek the development of competencies in both areas; and (4) new nomenclature has been developed to describe the separate programs both in the media area and in library services, as well as in the merged programs.

It cannot be gainsaid that some benefits have resulted in some institutions from the establishment of the merged program. Colleges and universities with small enrollments, limited faculty and facilities in the two separate programs can benefit; elementary and secondary schools which have funding for the position of librarian but not for a professional employee in media service can likewise benefit. An employee with training in both fields has potentially greater usefulness in such situations. The graduate of the merged program has the potential of higher achievement on a certification examination such as the NTE since the examination will likely include content from both

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fields. It should be realized, however, that the establishment of a merged program does not solve all of the major problems involved in the closer articulation of these fields and that problems remain both for merged programs and the separate programs. This paper will examine several of the problems.

A serious problem connected with the merged program is credit/curriculum requirements. In institutions offering the graduate merged program, the typical credit requirement for a Master's degree of 30-36 semester hours should not be increased if the program is to remain quantatatively competitive with other Master's level programs. More specifically stated, this problem simply grows out of the elementary arithmetic that two programs, each requiring 30-36 semester hours (a typical requirement of graduate-level media and library science programs) cannot be merged into a single 30-36 semester hour program without the substantial elimination of courses or credit requirements form one or both of the previously separate programs. If the curriucla of the separate programs prior to a merger were well-designed and were based on sound principles of curriculum design, one may legitimately ask, "What happens to the course content and the related student competencies which have been eliminated in the process of merging?"

A second problem which principally affects the separate programs but which has some impact on the merged program is the inexact and confused use of the "new" terminology which is designed to replace such traditional titles as AV director, media personnel and librarian. As Richard Wynn observes, titles are changed to keep pace with societal changes. Media and library personnel suffer form an ever-increasing list of job titles: "This trend from banal to more esoteric job titles has been all about us, even in schools. School librarians have become instructional materials center coordinators . . . "1

¹ Richard Wynn, "The Wynn Principle," Phi Delta Kappan, LIV, No. 6 (February, 19731

Wynn generalizes that a societal basis exists and that "the esotericism of job titles must be escalated with the rising influence of society."² Among the pro-liferating terminology for program and job titles, two titles are in current use which seek to describe programs and personnel in media and in library science: (1) media specialist is conceptualized to denote the professional worker trained in an education technology or media program; the same terminology is used to identify the program which provides the training; (2) media coordinator is the term used to identify the professional worker trained in a library science program; this terminology is also used to designate the program which provides the library science training.³ Possibly as a result of a lack of strong program identity (in terms of the competencies developed in the merged program) and the jargonese character of the words specialist and coordinator, fuzziness results in oral and written use of the terms. A review of pertinent literature reveals that at times one title is used when context suggests that the other title should have been used for correct meaning. Some writers and speakers use the terms interchangeably further confusing meaning. As a result of the inexact, and incorrect use of the terms, school administrators, personnel officers, and managers in business and industry and some administrators of professional schools and programs have become confused about the nature of the programs and the differing competencies developed in each program. It is the position of the writer of this paper that libraries, librarians, and library service programs are primarily concerned with the printed word in the form of books, journals, pamphlets, tapes, newsprint and the like; hence, library science programs should focus on these materials and develop student competencies in their educational uses. Media training programs are primarily concerned with the various technological aspects of communication and learning (films, recordings, still and motion photography, audio and video tapes) and with instructional development; the curricula of media programs seek to develop learner competencies in the theory and practice related to the effective use of media hardware and software in the educational pro-

² Ibid.

³ North Carolina and several other states use this terminology in listing certification guidelines

cess. Obviously, goals, curricula and outcomes of the programs differ. Graduates of a library program offer the prospective employer rather different competencies from those offered by a graduate of a media program. The media specialist will function at a substantial disadvantage when expected to perform tasks associated with library services while the media coordinator will conversely experience difficulty in directing and providing media services. There are critical differences in the training programs, and, hence, substantial differences in compentencies are developed in the separate programs.

Undoubtedly, there is more overlap at the present time in the tasks performed by media specialists and media coordinators than in previous years. Yet, differences still exist. The changing role of the school librarian is noted by Johanna S. Woods who writes: "school librarians in their roles as media specialists must possess competencies in media design, development, and evaluation."³ There is no question as to whether librarians whose training has included substantial work in media can function effectively in this new role; there is question, however, whether the person trained in either a merged program or a traditional library science program which, at most, will include 2 or 3 courses in media, can adequately develop the competencies in media proposed by Wood. (The confused usage of the term media specialist when media coordinator is more appropriate should als be noted,)

A study in the mid-seventies provides some information about media education programs pertinent to the consideration of media training in the merged program and both separate programs. In 1975, a questionnaire administered to 495 school media specialists sought to ascertain their judgments as to the nature of graduate media course offerings (or other learning activities) needed in preparing individuals for managing and operating school media centers. Among the recommendations were that:

Graduate media programs should offer additional courses in media design and production. Courses that would seem to hold some interest for school media specialists might include (1) advanced media

⁴ Johanna S. Wood, "The Role of Media Specialists in the Curriculum Process," School Library Journal, XXIII, No. 1 (September, 1976), 20.

when the programs prepare individuals for similar jobs. As noted above, although a trend toward the merged program concept has developed, many separate programs are available to students. It has been noted earlier that the practice of joint certification presents a distinct problem for the graduate of the separate media program when confronted with a certification examination that is substantially more

(Winter, 1976), 226-29.

program.

production skills, (2) graphic design, (3) still and motion picture photography.5

While courses of the sort recommended are offered in many media programs or can be developed without undue difficulty, it is unlikely that either in the merged program or the media coordinator program these additional courses can be provided without major curriculum revisions and additions in staff and facilities. In a similar vein, the incorporation of courses or credit experiences in library science (such as story telling, basic reference materials and cataloging) would present difficulties in staff facilities to the planner of the curriculum of a media specialist

Inherent in joining certification of media personnel and librarians are the problems discussed above. In addition, in state joint certification programs which require a "passing score" on the National Teacher Examination, the graduate of the media specialist program is at a great disadvantage. In 1975, as a member of a validation team reacting to the issue of "fairness" of NTE content in the various subject areas, I observed that most of the questions on the media examination grew out of library science content; hence, students who graduate from educational media or educational technology programs are at a severe disadvantage; the curriuclum preparing the media specialist usually does not include substantial work in library studies, as previously noted. Although the merged program may appear to provide an easy solution to this problem, it is the position of the writer of this paper that a merger should be undertaken slowly with greater care. A merger should take place when more similarities than differences exist between programs, when programs have similar goals and objectives, when faculty and facilities are available for diverse course offerings and

library science than media. The suggestions which follow will eliminate the basic unfairness inherent in this situation:

Students majoring in each field (media or library science) should be strongly urged, if not required, to minor in the second field, i.e., media students should minor in library science and vice versa;

An examination should be developed for those students who have completed a media major, library science minor; the content of the examination should be predominantly media; conversely, library science students should take an examination predominantly in library science but which includes some media content. Students in each field who do not minor in the second field should take an examination in the single field in which they concentrated.

The initial suggestions above, if implemented in both programs, will strengthen the preparation of students graduating from either of the separate programs in the second field. This strengthening will have the potential of improving students' scores on certification examinations which test on content from both fields. The recommendation above suggesting a single field examination is appropriate for students whose interest and programs are limited to a single field

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MEDIA ON COMMUNICATION

by Nancy Lane

The topic for this issue is communication. I have listed a n of programs which portray a variety of aspects and viewr

- **COMMUNICATING NON-DEFENSIVELY** Motion MGHT 1982 25 min., sd., col. Defensive communication - when and why; and a counteraction are explored in this presentation.
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- **COMMUNICATION A SERIES Motion Picture COF** approx. 14 min. ea., sd., col. These three films deal with the message, the receive the sender.
- COMMUNICATION BY VOICE AND ACTION M Picture CENT/COR 14 min., sd., col. Illustrates that non verbal elements such as voice tor facial expression are an integral part of speech comm tion.

COMMUNICATIONS ROADBLOCKS Motion Picture 1977 15 min., sd., col.

Identifies roadblocks of defining terms, understa biases, and distinguishing facts. Demonstrates solut

COMMUNICATIONS SERIES Motion Picture BARR/C WATT 1980 11-21 min. ea., sd., col.

This series looks at the communication process and it tionship to success. The titles are: "Communicating tively", "What do we Look Like to Others", "Person : son", "Communications or Confrontations".

COMMUNICATION SKILLS: TELL-SELL-RESOLVE

recording GM/Marlin 1975 86 min., sd., col. How and when to communicate appropriately in le memos, meeting, etc.

COMMUNICATION SKILLS FOR MANAGERS recording TIMLIF/MARLIN 1980

These six programs discuss, depict, and demonstrate ing, speaking, meetings and presentations.

COMMUNICATION PRIMER Motion Picture PYR/ITF 1954 22 min., sd., col.

This classic by Charles Eames reveals different concepts of communication, and shows the effect communication has on many areas of life.

YOUR INFORMAT

	COMMUNICATIONS THAT WORK Motion Picture EFM/ITF 1984 35 min., sd., col. A new release which looks at elements common to writing,
	speaking, and listening.
umber points.	DECISIONS, DECISIONS Motion Picture VA/ITF 1979 28 min., sd., col.
	Set in a business setting, this program explores attitudes and assumptions which contribute to communication break-
Picture	downs.
plan of	LISTENING FOR RESULTS Motion Picture RTBL/ITF 1981 10 min., sd., col.
Motion	Common listening errors, and how they could be avoided, are the subject here.
to ex-	LISTENING, SPEAKING, AND NON-VERBAL LANGUAGE SKILLS Motion Picture BFA 1976 15 min., sd., col.
Motion	Describes and demonstrates the abuses and misuses, as well as the correct ways.
strated	NON-VERBAL COMMUNICATION Motion Picture SAL/-
ith Dr.	MARLIN 1978 12 min., sd., col. The topic here is how to be aware of non-verbal language
R 1977	in both oneself and others.
er, and	THE ONE-SIDED TRIANGLE: COMMUNICATION WITH- IN THE GROUP Motion Picture BNA/ITF 197-23 min., sd., col.
Motion	The topic of this program is communication behavior at staff meetings.
ne and	OH, WHAT A LOVELY REPORT Motion Picture RANK/ITF
iunica-	19 26 min., sd., col. This film demonstrates the process of writing a report - the
e BFA	investigation, the planning, the writing and the revising.
	OPEN THE DOOR Motion Picture CCCD/ITF 198- 28 min.,
anding tions.	sd., col.
	O.P.E.N. communication is the subject of this film.
GORD	PASS IT ON Motion Picture CCCD/ITF 1981 15 min., sd., col. Clarify and verify! This film demonstrates techniqes for easy
ts rela-	communication.
Effec- to Per-	
10161-	POWER OF LISTENING Motion Picture MGHT 1979 26 min., sd., col.
Video-	With Dr. Stainbrook and Dr. Alessandra, the process of effec- tive communication is explored, with listening being exa- mined as an "active" function involving both listener and
etters,	speaker.
144.	STRICTLY SPEAKING Motion Picture CCCD/ITF 1979 27
Video-	min., sd., col. Based on Edwin Newman's books, this film deals with ver-
listen-	based on Edwin Newman's books, this film deals with ver- bal behavior.

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BOOKS

The Role of Technology in Distance developments are likely to evolve. Education A.W. Bates (Ed.)

Beckenham, Kent: Croom Helm Ltd., 1984, 231 pp. Reviewed by Angelina T. Wong

There are two major groups of adult education professionals who need to be kept informed about the growth of technology in distance education. The first is the staff working in the increasing number of specialized distance teaching institutions around the world. The second group is the staff working in conventional institutions who are considering the necessity of the possibility of off-campus teaching. For the purpose of program planning, both of these groups need to carefully consider the range of educational media which are available and appropriate for distance teaching. Given the speed of technological development, there is often a pressure to use technology for its own sake. In addition, each new technology usually generates its own group of enthusiastic supporters who tend to proclaim its merits and overlook its weaknesses.

The Role of Technology in Distance Education is aimed at the above audiences. It provides a comprehensive review of the range of technology now being used in distance education and examines some of the issues arising from these technological developments. The book groups the different forms of educational technology under two major sections: media in course design, and media in course management and presentation.

In the first section, there are chapters on texts and word-processors, broadcast television, satellite and cable, videocassettes, video-discs, computer-aided learning, radio, audio-cassettes, and home kits. Each of these chapters opens with a description of the current state of the art, followed by the cost of the system (based on 1983 estimates), and ends with some crystal gazing as to how future

The second section deals with course delivery and administration, and includes chapters on telephone teaching, Cyclops shared-screen teleconferencing, computers in academic administration, teletext systems, viewdata systems, tutors and media, and local media resource centres. The final two chapters constitute a third section which attempts to pull together the various media, using the pedagogic differences between the various media as a framework for discussion.

The editor of this book, A.W. (Tony) Bates, is a Reader in Media Research Methods and head of the Audio-Visual Media Research Group, in the Institute of Educational Technology at the Open University. He has succeeded in pulling together a team of contributing authors who can write lucidly and interestingly about a topic that often confuses or overwhelms academics and administrators. Fifteen of the seventeen contributing authors are associated with the Open University, and the experiences which they use to illustrate the capabilities of the given media are based on the Open University's courses. Nevertheless, they have managed to provide some realism about the various technology as well as to stimulate some re-assessment of the more "conventional" media such as audiocassettes and broadcasting. Nichola Durbrige, for example, presents a convincing case for the continued use of the "simple, quick and cheap to prepare" audiocassettes (chapter 9.)

A few of the terms used in the book may cause some confusion for Canadian readers. For example, the "viewdata" system described in chapter 15 is a system which allows a user to access information stored in a remote computer via the public telephone service. It is commonly known as "videotex" outside Britain, and the Canadian counterpart is the Telidon system. The "teletext" referred to in chapter 14 is an electronic data

distribution method using broadcast and/or cable as the transmission medium. "Teletex" is a form of telex-style electronic mail available at the Canadian post office. Britain happens to have the largest teletext service in the world. The "Cyclops" system described in chapter 12 is a unique system developed by a research team at the Open University. Its main strengths are its writing and drawing facility and its interactiveness.

The final two chapters (18 and 19) serve as a stimulus for educators to think about how they should use technology for distance teaching. As a matter of fact, readers who are unfamiliar with the various forms of educational technology should perhaps read chapter 18 before tackling the others. John Sparks makes an excellent attempt to relate the selection of technology to the different kinds of audiences, subject matter, courses, forms of access to education, as well as the different study patterns amongst those who want to learn.

In the final chapter, Tony Bates predicts that the new technology will provide: (1) a wider range of teaching functions and a higher quality of learning; (2) lower costs; (3) greater student control; and (4) more interaction and feedback to the students. However, he also points out that effective distance education requires technology which is so cheap, reliable, easy to use and multifunctional that it can be found in every home. The recently developed technology (e.g. video-discs, Cyclops) which are capable of delivering highly individualized and interactive lessons are simply not yet cost-effective. It appears that books, broadcast television, radio, audio-cassettes and the telephone will still be the dominant technology for home-based learning in the near future.

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COLOR SLIDES FROM YOUR COMPUTER

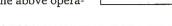
by Barry Brown

Computer graphics has become an industry catch-word. Those fortunate or rich enough, with the appropriate interface equipment, are now utilizing computer generated transparencies to enhance their presentations. Even a modest dedicated computer slide production system costs as much as many complete microcomputer packages. Those of us without the luxury of specialized computer transparency equipment would often find it useful to include computer slides in our presentations. This article is designed to help you create computer generated color graphics by direct photography of the computer monitor screen.

Computer generation of graphics offers distinct advantages over manual methods. Some of these are:

- * create, view, and modify graphic before committing to final medium of presentation
- * reduce time and effort required to produce graphics
- * increase uniformity and legibility of graphic presentations
- * synthesize complex information to produce simplified visual presentation
- * merge text and graphic to permit comparison, contrast, or sequence of information
- * quickly and easily modify shape, size, format to increase communication value * change, at a key stroke, pattern or color
- variations to delineate, highlight or contrast information employ exploded, zoomed, or rotated as-
- pects of a visual to spot-lite specific information

Many software graphic packages are available which perform the above opera-



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tions. This article will deal only with conversion of the screen image to a 35 mm color transparency. Beagle Bros ALPHA PLOT and Phoenix ZOOM GRAFIX were utilized to create the graphics in this column. A little experimentation with any graphics package will give you the necessary color screen images to test your ability to convert computer images to color slides. If you find it difficult to obtain an appropriate image with which to experiment, use one of the excellent graphics that often introduce game disks.

Creation of color slides directly from the computer screen is simply a matter of snapping a picture of the monitor screen. Attention to the following photographic tips will greatly increase the possibility for an initial success since a number of technical variables inherent to television and camera come into play.

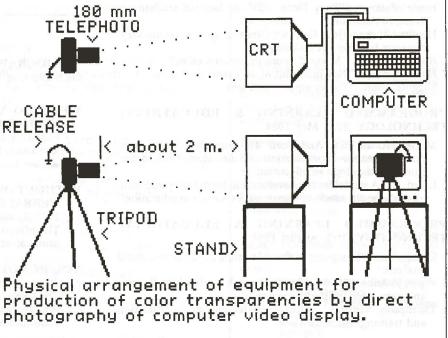
Several companies produce equipment specifically designed to photograph the computer screen image directly. If large scale presentations are envisaged, this type of equipment may prove cost effective, but for the casual user the least expensive method makes use of readily available equipment. The key component is a single lens reflex camera with interchangeable lens. Access to this type of camera is important in order to see the same image through the camera view finder as will be imaged on the film. The camera must have capability for lens interchange to permit fitting

a telephoto lens.

Most television monitor and receiver screens (cathode ray tube CRT) feature a curved face-plate which causes a distorted image when photographed. One way of eliminating this distortion is to obtain a flatscreen CRT display, but these are scarce and cost about \$2200. The best way for an occasional user to minimize distortion caused by screen curvature is to utilize a long or telephoto lens when photographing the display. The camera remains several feet from the display, tending to compress distance perspective. Telephoto lenses from 135 mm to 300 mm work adequately, but a 180 mm or 200 mm lens seems to give best results.

It is imperative that a sturdy tripod is utilized to provide a well composed and shake-free image when a long telephoto lens is used. A cable release reduces camera shake as the exposure is made. Arrange the camera and CRT display as shown in the diagram. Make certain the camera is level and centered vertically and horizontally on the screen. The camera could easily be two meters from the screen when a long lens is used. Move the camera closer or further from the screen, focusing each time, until a clear image of the screen area to be photographed is obtained. Note that most camera view-finders show somewhat less than will appear on the film.

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Crop the image in from screen edge about two to five centimeters, depending on screen size. Arrange the camera and display so that no window or room light is reflected directly into the camera. Sufficient overhead light for working will not usually impair image quality.

Quality of final image depends on several factors with display type and quality foremost. If you have a choice, a color monitor will always give better results than a color receiver, since rf modulation and demodulation reduces resolution of the screen image. It goes without saying that one should always select the most expensive and well maintained color monitor available. Monochrome monitors are also suitable for many types of information and are treated in exactly the same manner as a color display.

Selection of a film depends on cost, quality, and processing. Good results have been achieved with Kodak Ektachrome and Kodachrome daylight type film in the ASA 200 range. Some experimentation is ting that looks good on the screen as the

necessary in order to establish a repeatable standard of quality. It is important to keep an accurate record of all film and exposure data so that success can be repeated and poor results eliminated.

Exposure is best set manually as automatic exposure systems can be tricked by amount of information and background color on the screen. A good starting point is an aperture setting of f8 and a shutter speed setting of one second. The scan rate of a television display is 30 frames per second with a totally blank screen between each frame. Thus exposure time must be longer than 1/30th of a second or there is a risk of obtaining a partial frame. The image improves when the shutter remains open long enough to allow several separate frames to be recorded additively. Exposure times of a half second and one second seem to be the best in most situations.

Exposure and color are affected greatly by the settings on the video display. If the display has detents (click-stops) on the color shading, tint, contrast, and brightness controls this provides a good starting point. If such is not the case select an average set-

beginning point. A 20 frame roll of film should be exposed using two or three different graphics. Aperture and shutter speed should be bracketed. This can be accomplished by starting with a shutter speed setting of one second and an aperture setting of f8. Make one exposure at that setting and then, keeping shutter speed constant, shoot exposures at f4.5, f5.6, and f11. Then, with the same graphic, repeat the exposures with shutter speed held constant at a half second. Repeat this process with a different graphic and/or a variation of settings on the display. Make sure a test of light colored vs dark colored background is carried out. If careful details are recorded of the set-up, film, exposure, and display settings it will be possible, when the slides are developed and analyzed, to determine a standardized procedure which will ensure success during future sessions.

Don't hesitate to attempt to make your own color computer generated slides, as they have the potential to revolutionize the manner in which you communicate educationally.

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WHAT DO YOU MEAN, WHAT DO I MEAN (CASE STUDIES IN COMMUNICATIONS) Motion Picture SAL/-MARLIN 1976 18 min., sd., col.

The focus here is the way we see ourselves and the way we see others.

WITHOUT WORDS: AN INTRODUCTION TO NON-**VERBAL COMMUNICATION Motion Picture PH/Marlin** 1977 23 min., sd., col.

The effects and interation of non-verbal barriers on communication are presented here.

YOU'RE NOT COMMUNICATING Motion Picture CF 1980 20 min., sd., col.

The focus of this program is that communication is a two way process and an understanding of the process improves communication.

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dards introduced as a result of the new technologies

· improve the quality of education provided in respective jurisdictions

Seven themes will take advantage of the breadth of experience brought to the Congress by the international participants and speakers. These seven themes are:

Teaching & Learning

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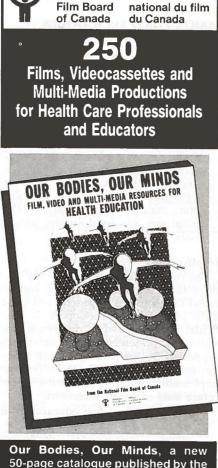
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plications" theme, the Congress will feature a world class exhibit of high technology equipment and services relating to education and culture from around the world.

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- developer is familiar with, the more s/he will be competent with, in turn the more s/he will perceive as being valuable, and subsequently the more s/he will use in instructional development activities.
- 8. Because of the successful matching of the survey techniques to the ID system model components, it may be concluded that recognized field experts are ideal developers to solicit future matchings with regard to other techniques not used in the present study.

Implications

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The research findings of this study have direct implications for the field of Instructional Development in general and Canadian instructional developers in particular. The following discussion and statements presented are not necessarily supported by the findings of the study, but are considered pertinent for program implementation, program changes, and future state-of-the-art directions.

1. Wherever Canadian educational institutions are not providing ID programs, instructional developers could urge their faculties to provide such.

The above assertion is supported by a number of current developers in the field, including Braden and Terrell1 who urge ID practitioners to actively promote their profession. Bass, Lumsden, and Dills⁴ agree, suggesting that "We can no longer afford to wait idly until the world beats a path to our doors for help." In the Canadian educational arena, Powell⁵ suggests that Canadian standards should be advanced and Canadian interests pursued in the field of Educational Technology, while Schwier and Wickett⁶ maintain that "ID training will assist in the implementation of new styles of program delivery and it will help practitioners adopt new roles and functions". These beliefs must be effectively and consistently presented to university administrators wherein ID programs do not exist.

2. Canadian instructional developers could strive to inform the educational community in general and the elementary and secondary panels in particular of the potential benefits of instructional development activities.

In continuation of the "awareness campaign" discussed above, instructional developers could be prepared to diffuse information concerning the potential benefits of ID activities throughout the entire spectrum of education. Gustafson⁷ already has admonished the profession to instruct the whole educational community concerning Instruc-

TABLE 1

LEVEL OF USE

ANK	TECHNIQUE	MEAN	S.D.
1	Feedback	1.86	1.15
2	Brainstorming	1.70	1.02
3	Field Test	1.68	1.19
4	Needs Assessment	1.67	1.10
5	Long-Range Planning	1.66	1.05
6	Multi-Image/Multi-Media	1.62	1.01
7	Questionnaire	1.60	1.09
8	Literature Search	1.54	1.15
9	Flowcharting	1.51	1.02
10	Story Boarding	1.50	1.13
11	Sequencing of Objectives	1.49	1.13
12	Checklists	1.41	1.03
13	Management by Objectives	1.41	1.12
14	Formative Evaluation	1.38	1.18
15	Task Analysis	1.37	1.20
16	Summative Evaluation	1.35	1.18
17	Bloom's Taxonomy	1.29	1.07
18	Content Analysis	1.29	1.14
19	Case Studies	1.29	1.06
20	Interviewing Users	1.25	1.00
20	Computer Search	1.24	1.05
			1.05
22 23	Appraisal Interview Discovery Technique	1.15 1.11	1.08
24	Criterion Referenced Meas.	1.10	1.09
25	Simulation (Gaming)	1.06	1.06
26	Authoritative Opinion	1.01	1.05
27	Cost-Benefit Analysis	1.00	1.10
28	Role Playing	.99	.98
29	Computer Assisted Instruct.	.96	.96
30	Programmed Instruction	.96	.89
31	Behaviour Modelling	.92	1.02
32	Standarized Tests	.92	.98
33	Learner Vertification & Revision	.88	1.12
34	Micro Teaching	.86	.99
35	Likert Scale	.80	1.07
36	Technical Conference	.79	1.02
37	Contract Plan	.79	.97
38	Program Plan. Budget. System	.78	1.04
39	Gagne's Taxonomy	.78	.95
40	Program Eval. Review Tech.	.77	.93
41	Linear Programming	.66	.90
42	Critical Path Method (CPM)	.53	.85
43	Krathwohl's Taxonomy	.47	.86
44	Function Analysis	.47	.83
45	Observation Interview (eg. Time-Motion Studies)	.46	.72
46	Instructional Analysis Kit	.42	.85
47	Cognitive Mapping	.41	.77
48	Discrepancy Evaluation	.41	.70
49	Information Mapping	.38	.76
49 50	Critical Incidents Technique	.37	.76
50	Nominal Group Process	.37	.76
52	Stake Model (Evaluation)	.37	.75
53	In-Basket Technique	.34	.68
54	Decision Tables	.34	.67
55	Delphi Technique	.33	.68
56	Card Sort	.33	.64
57	Shaping	.30	.70
58	Mathetics	.28	.71
59	Force-Field Analysis	.27	.60
60	Gannt Chart	.25	.68

TABLE 2

RANK	TECHNIQUE	MEAN	S.C
* 1	Multi-Image/Multi-Media	2.20	.9
* 2	Feedback	2.08	1.1
* 3	Needs Assessment	2.08	1.1
* 4	Brainstorming	2.07	.9
* 5	Story Boarding	2.06	1.2
* 6	Questionnaire	2.03	1.1
'	Long-Range Planning	1.98	1.1
0	Field Test	1.96	1.1
9	Flowcharting	1.90	1.1
* 10 * 11	Management by Objectives	1.88	1.1
* 12	Bloom's Taxonomy Checklists	1.49	1.1
* 13	Literature Search	1.84 1.84	1.1
* 14	Programmed Instruction	1.82	1.2
* 15	Formative Evaluation	1.76	1.2
* 16	Role Playing	1.35	1.0
* 17	Sequence of Objectives	1.71	1.0
* 18	Summative Evaluation	1.71	1.2
* 19	Standardized Tests	1.65	1.1
* 20	Case Studies	1.24	1.1
* 21	Computer Search	1.60	1.1
* 22	Micro Teaching	1.60	1.1
* 23	Task Analysis	1.59	1.2
* 24	Content Analysis	1.58	1.1
* 25	Interviewing Users	1.57	1.3
* 26	Discovery Technique	1.53	1.1
* 27	Appraisal Interview	1.52	1.1
* 28	Criterion Reference Meas.	1.52	1.2
29	Simulation (Gaming)	1.49	1.1
30	Computer Assisted Instruct.	1.46	1.0
31	Cost-Benefit Analysis	1.34	1.1
32	Behaviour Modelling	1.29	1.1
33	Authoritative Opinion	1.26	1.1
34	Program Eval. Review Tech.	1.23	1.2
35	Contract Plan	1.21	1.1
36	Gagne's Taxonomy	1.20	1.2
37	Program Plan. Budget. System	1.18	1.2
38	Linear Programming	1.13	1.1
39	Learner Vertification & Revis.	1.13	1.2
40	Likert Scale	1.06	1.2
41	Technical Conference	1.00	1.1
42	Critical Path Method (CPM)	.88	1.1
43 44	Observation Interview (eg. Time-Motion Studies) In-Basket Technique	.87	.9
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40 + 47	Delphi Technique	.77	1.0
+ 47	Shaping	.41 .71	1.0
+ 40	Card Sort	.71	1.0 1.0
+ 49	Function Analysis	.64	1.0
+ 50	Information Mapping	.63	1.0
+ 52	Discrepancy Evaluation	.63	1.0
+ 53	Instructional Analysis	.57	1.0
+ 54	Decision Tables	.56	.9
+ 55	Critical Incidents Technique	.54	.9
+ 56	Nominal Group Process	.53	.9
+ 57	Stake Model (Evaluation)	.49	.9
+ 58	Force-Field Analysis	.45	.8
+ 59	Gannt Chart	.45	.9
+ 60	Mathetics	.39	.8
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tional Development's potential, and others have warned the field not to ignore the elementary and secondary levels, including works by the previously noted Braden & Terrell and Bass, et. al. In Canada, Duke⁸ offers a set of convincing arguments for the expansion of ID activities within the public school system. One such argument is the presentation of compelling evidence of cost-effectiveness. Particularly in an era of financial restraints, the promise of cost-effectiveness should be welcomed by most administrators and ID may subsequently secure a foothold in the elementary panel as a result (Wilkinson⁹; Lent¹⁰; Klein & Doughty¹¹).

3. Canadian instructional developers should be prepared to combat the prevailing belief that instructional developers and such interfacing professionals as librarians and media specialists are expendable in an era of financial restraints.

In times of budget cuts and financial restraints, areas associated with instructional developers are often considered to be luxuries and hence expendable (Bratton¹²; Bennett¹³). Selby¹⁴ observes that the "impression that screen education is concerned with trivia still has enormous currency", and Pipes¹⁵ suggests that school media specialists are easy targets for staff cuts; Cooper¹⁶ makes a similar assertion with regard to library personnel. Regardless of the value and worthwhile nature of these programs, many services have been crippled due to government funding cuts (Lee¹⁷). This is a major problem that must be addressed by developers. The government must be urged to provide funding for entire processes of instructional design and implementation, rather than just seed money for establishing new programs without concern for continuation. Developers must be prepared to prove that instructional development is not a passing fashion, but rather a viable force for preventing, as well as solving instructional problems (Davis¹⁸). One method of insuring this recognition is to institutionalize the field of Instructional Development in Canada. Examples will be presented in the following two implications.

4. A Credentials Committee could be formed in Canada in order to define and certify practicing instructional developers.

In order to attain the level of recognition that Canadian instructional developers need, as discussed above, they must be prepared to formulate a committee whose job it will be to identify the competencies, methodoligies, and tasks of the profession. Bass, Lumsden, and Dills19 have noted a similar organization in the United States, while pertinent discussions on instructional development competen-

cies may be found within the works of Bratton²⁰, Silber²¹, and the Task Force on ID Certification²². The creation of a Credentials Committee in Canada could be executed by an Instructional Development Special Interest Group, within AMTEC.

5. A communications network could be formed between and among Canadian Instructional Developers.

One of the prime objectives of the Division of Instructional Development (DID) within the Association for Educational Communications & Technology (AECT), is the facilitation of communication among instructional developers, both on a person-to-person basis and through written communication (Bass, et. al.23). This concept not only serves to share ideas and practices, but to institutionalize the profession, one of the requisites for attaining the needed recognition that has been discussed above. A special interest group of instructional developers should be operationalized within AMTEC. It would naturally follow that such a group could formally codify its aims and objectives, identify and define its competencies, and thence certify its members. A special section in the Canadian Journal of Educational Communication and/or a regular news letter would then tend to cement its membership by opening a communications network among those Canadian professionals who are practising instructional development activities.

Conclusion

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The foregoing has presented a summary of the findings of this study. From those findings, a set of conclusions were drawn concerning the state-of-the-art of Instructional Development in Canada. The work has concluded with a presentation of five implications for the future of ID in Canada. It must be noted that Instructional Development in general and field techniques in particular could play a major role in the present and future directions of education in Canada. However, developers must be prepared to assert their professionalism, both in terms of who they are as well as what they can do, in order to assure their due recognition and worth, particularly in these times of financial restrictions.

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TABLE 3

VALUE TO INSTRUCTIONAL DEVELOPMENT

RANK T	ECHNIQUE	MEAN	S.D
	eedback	2.11	1.20
2 L	ong-Range Planning	1.98	1.14
	leeds Assessment	1.97	1.18
	field Test	1.96	1.23
	Brainstorming	1.92	1.0
	/lulti-Image/Multi-Media Pres.	1.90	.99
	Story Boarding	1.78	1.19
	Computer Assisted Instruct.	1.77	1.16
	lowcharting	1.75	1.10
	iterature Search	1.71	1.20
	Sequencing of Objectives	1.71	1.20
	ormative Evaluation	1.69	1.29
13 0	Juestionnaire	1.63	1.12
	Bloom's Taxonomy	1.60	1.20
	Content Analysis	1.60	1.24
	lanagement by Objectives	1.59	1.12
17 C	Computer Search	1.58	1.18
	Criterion Reference Meas.	1.56	1.23
	ask Analysis (Task Desc.)	1.55	1.28
20 5	Summative Evaluation	1.51	1.24
21 li	nterviewing Users	1.43	1.29
	Case Studies	1.42	1.18
	Appraisal Interview	1.41	1.2
24 F	Programmed Instruction	1.39	1.00
25 N	Aicro Teaching	1.36	1.10
26 C	Checklists	1.35	1.0
27 D	Discovery Technique	1.33	1.13
28 5	Simulation (Gaming)	1.31	1.1
29 5	Standarized Tests	1.30	1.00
30 F	Role Playing	1.27	1.08
31 0	Cost-Benefit Analysis	1.23	1.1
32 L	earner Vertification & Revis.	1.19	1.2
33 E	Behaviour Modelling	1.16	1.14
34 A	Authoritative Opinion	1.12	1.14
35 0	agne's Taxonomy	1.06	1.10
	Contract Plan	1.05	1.0
	Prog. Eval. Review Technique	1.05	1.29
	Program Plan. Budget. System	1.00	1.12
	ikert Scale	.95	1.1
	echnical Conference	.94	1.0
	inear Programming	.85	.9
	Cognitive Mapping		1.13
	Critical Path Method (CPM)		1.04
	Observation Interview (eg. Time-Motion Studies)		.90
	(rathwohl's Taxonomy	.65	1.0
	Discrepancy Evaluation	.63	1.0
	Function Analysis	.62	.9
	Delphi Technique	.62	.9
	Critical Incidents Technique	.54	.9
		.53	.9
		.53	.9
		.53	.8
	nstructional Analysis Kit	.53	.0
	n-Basket Technique	.49	.6
		.48	.90
	,	.43	.8
		.38	.82
		.38	.81
	Force-Field Analysis	.37	.79
- CO C	Card Sort	.36	.7

(* = Value to Instructional Development)

TABLE 4

DEGREE TO WHICH INSTITUTION TEACHES

RANK	TECHNIQUE
1	Multi-Image/Multi-Media
2	Formative Evaluation
3	Feedback
4	Summative Evaluation
5	Literature Search
6	Bloom's Taxonomy
7	Standardized Tests
8	Computer Assisted Instruct.
9	Criterion Reference Meas.
10 11	Story Boarding Task Analysis
12	Needs Assessment
13	Questionnaire
14	Sequence of Objectives
15	Long-Range Planning
16	Field Test
17	Micro Teaching
18	Programmed Instruction
19	Simulation (Gaming)
20	Brainstorming
21	Management by Objectives
22	Discovery Technique
23	Flowcharting
24	Content Analysis
25	Role Playing
26	Interviewing Users
27	Case Studies
28	Computer Search
29 30	Learner Verification & Revision Gagne's Taxonomy
31	Behaviour Modelling
32	Likert Scale
33	Checklists
34	Linear Programming
35	Appraisal Interview
36	Krathwohl's Taxonomy
37	Authoritative Opinion
38	Program Eval. Review Technique
39	Contract Plan
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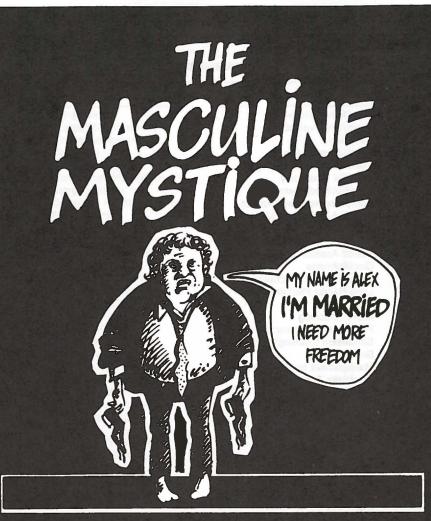
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BCIT and one at Western Communications, and another under testing at the University of Victoria. Twelve moderators are stored in larger communities, usually at regional colleges, and 11 speaker-phones are stored in an additional 11 secondary centers. Permanent operation of equipment and schedules is handled at BCIT. Consortium members are free to use any equipment within the system not already scheduled. A record of usage is maintained and bridge rentals are cross charged monthly. The use of all other equipment is balanced and accounted for quarterly.

Each institution in the consortium operates independently, confirming only that equipment and facilities are available. The choice of programs and how the teleconferencing is used by an instructor varies among institutions. A summary of each institution's current activities follows.

INSTITUTIONAL EXPERIENCE

Simon Fraser University

At Simon Fraser University teleconferencing is presently being used by the Faculty of Education in its extensive program for students and teachers throughout the interior of British Columbia. Teleconferencing is still in the exploratory stage and the three activities described are quite different. The first is a series of sessions on microcomputers for teachers, the second enhances a credit course being offered by correspondence and the third concerns program administration. All took place during 1983.

"Microcomputers in B.C. Schools" was a four-part series of ninety-minute sessions chaired from SFU with six other sites participating. About 40 participated each time and there was a mix of secondary and primary school teachers, administrators and librarians. The chairman was an expert in the topic of the day. Microcomputers was a "hot" item in the schools and teleconferencing offered a way to exchange experiences with this new technology right across the province without extensive and expensive travel. Each site had a coordinator, preconference materials were distributed and technical problems were minimal. Most participants rated the teleconference process itself highly so that it was the level of statisfaction with content which dictated overall reactions to each session.

Satisfaction with the instructional seminar associated with the correspondence course "Classroom Management and Discipline" was also high. This sixty-minute session gave 42 students scattered over 13 sites in B.C. and two

effective.

In the future, the Faculty of Education plans the continuing use of audio teleconferencing, particularly in light of on-going budget reductions as an alternative to flying instructors and administrators to and from Vancouver. Experience has shown that pre-meeting materials, a detailed agenda, well-chaired sessions, and specific protocols are important, as is a technical test prior to each session.

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sites in Alberta an otherwise unavailable opportunity to meet each other and the instructor. Only three sites had more than one person in attendance. The two bridges from BCIT and Western were interconnected for this teleconference and a mix of hand sets, speaker-phones and conveners (from a variety of manufacturers) was used without technical problems.

In another teleconference, as an alternative to flying the University's five offcampus secretaries to Vancouver, a sixtyminute teleconference allowed group discussions of site administration. This meeting provided for both the exchange of problems and solutions and coordination with the University. All participants agreed the teleconference was highly cost-

British Columbia Institute of

The British Columbia Institute of Technology is a two-year institution offering diploma programs in business, engineering and health to approximately 4,000 full-time students each year. BCIT has had a strong continuing education program since 1964 and a distance education service since 1974. It has deliberately experimented with new methods of reaching off-campus students for the past eight years. The Distance Education Department is responsible for the operation of the audio teleconferencing bridge and for developing widespread audio teleconferencing expertise within the institution. Approximately 4,000 students are registered each year in a variety of parttime off-campus programs. Many of the students are on employer-supported engineering and health related programs. Approximately 3,000 are in independent study courses. Audio teleconferencing is

-teletutoring enrichment in selected courses with generally one to three peo-

-instructor contact before, during and after KNOW broadcasts.

-short, single-concept seminars supported with print packages.

-linking disabled homebound students with regular campus classes.

-a variety of administrative and program development meetings.

The BCIT Teleconferencing Center has approximately \$25,000 a year in fixed operating costs. Time not used by

members of the consortium is sold to a variety of contract users, mainly professional societies for their continuing education programs. Users believe they have demonstrated very significant cost savings, user acceptance, and a revenue generation potential while maintaining educational standards.

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Teletutoring	8	76	45
Short Seminars	35	64	950
Day-Long Seminars	16	132	2730
Meetings	6	15	45

Open Learning Institute

The Open Learning Institute has begun, over the past year, to use audio teleconferencing for administrative and instructional purposes. Academic advisors located in the seven regional advising centers and course tutors in their homes have used audio teleconferencing for staff meetings, professional development seminars and course planning.

Course tutors have also held audio teleconferencing seminars immediately following television broadcasts over KNOW. Their purpose has been to discuss and clarify issues arising from the broadcast. As expected, other course-related issues have also been raised. In one case, a learner who was ready to withdraw from a course did not after getting support and encouragement from other learners. Despite the positive cases, the experience of OLI thus far has indicated that most home learners are reluctant to phone at a designated time for an optional teleconference. An evaluation planned for the project described in this paper will examine the issue more closely.

University of Victoria

The University of Victoria has placed special emphasis on serving learners throughout the province. Despite the geographic and climatic conditions of British Columbia, the University of Victoria's Division of University Extensions has developed an extensive off-campus program offering a variety of courses throughout B.C. Moving from face-to-face instruction and expanding to correspondence-based courses with tutorials in 1978, the University of Victoria has steadily diversified its means of course delivery. The Anik-B satellite was used experimentally to deliver both degree and professional development courses. Audio feedback by telephone in that project was an important innovation allowing students to "phone in and talk" to the instructor live on the air. This course delivery model has continued using the facilities of the Knowledge Network. Recently, a different

approach to interaction has been adopted. The major portion of audio interation between student and instructor occurs off air after the televised programs through the use of teleconferencing.

In addition to this mixed media approach, the University is offering courses based on audio teleconferencing, with extensive print materials as the primary educational technologies involved. As television broadcast time becomes more and more scarce and difficult to schedule, this latter approach has increasing appeal.

In January 1983, given the anticipated need at the University of Victoria and its distance from Vancouver, the decision was made to acquire a 10-port audio teleconferencing bridge. At present, the University is testing a variety of products to determine which is best suited for present and anticipated programming needs. Some technical problems of static on lines, gain control and clipping are still to be solved.

The University's involvement with the informal audio teleconferencing consortium has provided the access to hardware, particularly at the receive sites, and an organizational model which allows for increased and more effective course delivery throughout the province.

The University of Victoria utilized the audio teleconferencing for 11 one-hour sessions in eight separate locations throughout the province during the pilot period of operation.

Despite the initial technical difficulties associated with the testing of various bridging equipment as described above, the results have proved more positive than negative. Comments on the student evaluation forms indicate most were prepared to give teleconferencing a chance and by the end of the courses most felt it was an acceptable, effective way to receive instruction.

In terms of integration with live interactive systems, both off air and on air, the experience has been more uniformly rewarding. Students have reacted positively to holding a "private" conversation off air with the instructor and a variety of fellow students.

In the future, the University of Victoria sees continued and expanded use of audio teleconferencing, when the technical difficulties can be overcome, in the areas of course delivery, practicum seminars in the professional development fields and tutorial support to students.

In addition, the integration of computer conferencing and audio teconferencing holds exciting possibilities for distant learners in B.C.

University of British Columbia

At the University of British Columbia, the major user of teleconferencing has been the Division of Continuing Education in the Health Sciences. CEHS provides

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professional development programs for practicing health professionals such as physicians, dentists, pharmacists, nurses and dietctians.

In March 1983, an interprofessional audio teleconference was held that was jointly sponsored by Continuing Pharmacy Education and Continuing Education in Nutrition and Dietetics. Due to the success of that pilot program, it was decided to offer two separate programs in the spring of 1984. Continuing Pharmacy Education provided a series of lectures that involved 18 different communities in British Columbia. The program included a speaker who lectured from his home base at Washington State University in Spokane, Washington. Continuing Education in Nutrition and Dietetics offered a series of lectures on nutritional biochemistry that had registrants from nine B.C. communities.

Physicians in the province are also starting to enjoy the benefits of audio teleconferencing. In addition to lectures offered through the Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons from Toronto, Continuing Medical Education at UBC is presenting a series of audio teleconferences this spring for family physicians. Plans are underway to tap into a series of live lectures held in Vancouver and to extend them to other communities through audio teleconferencing.

As universities continue to be affected by cutbacks in operational budgets, teleconferencing will play a larger role in distance education programs for many faculties. It will provide more people in the province access to a greater variety of course offerings and educational opportunities.

The equipment and facilities made possible through the consortium have served to introduce many new users to teleconferencing in B.C. at a relatively low cost. This will likely lead to increased activity and new applications on a regional basis within the province.

Results

The results of teleconferencing activities since the inception of the consortium have been encouraging. More hours of teleconferencing were conducted and are being planned now that equipment and facilities are more easily accessible in many communities in British Columbia. Prior to September of 1983, equipment was transferred from community to community as required in a random fashion. This proved to be very expensive and time-consuming on the part of teleconference planners and site coordinators. However, with specific sites and facilities identified (see map), shipping costs were reduced and less time was required to coordinate programs. This led to a greater number of programs being offered by a more diverse group of users.

From September 1982 to August 1983 there were 1,952 student contact hours of programming recorded by registered students of the educational institutions concerned. (Student contact hours = number of hours of programming x number of participants.) From September 1983 to August 1984 this figure will have increased to an estimated 3,537 student contact hours. This does not include the use of teleconferencing as an adjunct to interactive educational television progams offered by the University of Victoria and the University of British Columbia through the facilities of the Knowledge Network. It also does not take into account teleconferencing offered professional institutions such as the Certified General Accounts of B.C., the Continuing Legal Education Society of B.C. and the Corporation of B.C. Land Surveyors.

These groups were able to reach many more of their constituents in the province at a dramatically reduced cost than was possible with traditional methods of instruction such as sending instructors to remote locations.

The results of teleconferencing activities will continue to be monitored by the consortium and will be analyzed periodically to detect trends in usage and application.

Case Studies

Administrative Meeting: A professional association with its nine governing council members living and working in widely separate communities holds monthly meetings at Vancouver that normally require overnight travel for five members. The costs to the association are a minimum of \$1,200 per meeting. Members meet for 8 to 12 hours each meeting. Teleconferencing has been used for some recent meetings and has reduced the costs to less than \$300 for a four hour. five site meeting including one member from Ottawa.

In-Service Training: A Vancouver educational institution offered a lunch time course for "Secretaries Who Supervise". Eight one hour classes involving five sites and ten people were held for a cost of \$1,800. Without teleconferencing, the class could only have been held by bringing the students to a central classroom for a single day at an estimated cost of \$2,425 for travel and accommodation plus an estimated \$950 for value of staff time lost.

Professional Continuing Education: A professional association throughout B.C. regularly conducts updating day-long seminars. A recent Saturday seminar registered 385 students with total fee revenue approximately \$43,000. Teleconferencing charges for ten locations for the 090 to 1630 hour seminar were \$2,122. A cost reduction was made by making all long distance connections before the pre-0800 hour, 50 per cent discount rate

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ended. Delivery costs per student were 74¢ per hour.

FUTURE DIRECTIONS

The use of audio teleconferencing as a means of delivering instruction to offcampus postsecondary students is clearly increasing rapidly in British Columbia. Over the next few years, the main users will continue to be institutions having a provincial rather than regional mandate. An important new user group that is expected to appear by 1985 is rural community colleges with widely dispersed student populations. All educational institutions in British Columbia are facing reductions in government operating grants but are expected to provide the same or increased levels of service. Administrators will look to easily implemented educational technology for generating student contact hours and new fee revenue. Programmers will use teleconferencing to replace travelling instructors wherever possible.

During 1984/85, at least one institution plans to hire part-time site coordinators either directly or in conjunction with a

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local college or another member of the consortium. The coordinators would be residents of the most commonly used teleconference centers. Their function would be to handle all on-site activities equipment, thereby reducing the chance of technical error, and promoting the use of teleconferencing in their communities. Experiments are already being conducted in the transfer of data along with voice information. By 1985 some regular use of computers in audio teleconferences should be a reality.

Professional societies will likely increase their use of audio teleconferencing independently of educational institutions, unless the institutions can provide the specialized, short, up-grading courses and seminars that the societies want for their members. There are indications that noninstitutional educational use may dominate the schedule and larger users will purchase their own equipment by

The present, informal consortium structure will continue to exist only as long as scheduling remains flexible, equipment contributors benefit from the sharing, and

diversity in system use remains possible. Any attempts to regulate the consortium activities would likely result in individual equipment owners withdrawing and continuing to operate by renting portable from registration to operation of receive equipment and accessing the public telephone system.

CONCLUSION

Audio teleconferencing can be an important part of educational learning systems for distant students. However, for the maximum cost benefits and accessibility, some form of workable coordination of users and equipment is essential. Informal arrangements for coordination based on communication and trust provide a more workable system, at this time, for British Columbia teleconferencing providers than would a more formal, legalistic arrangement.

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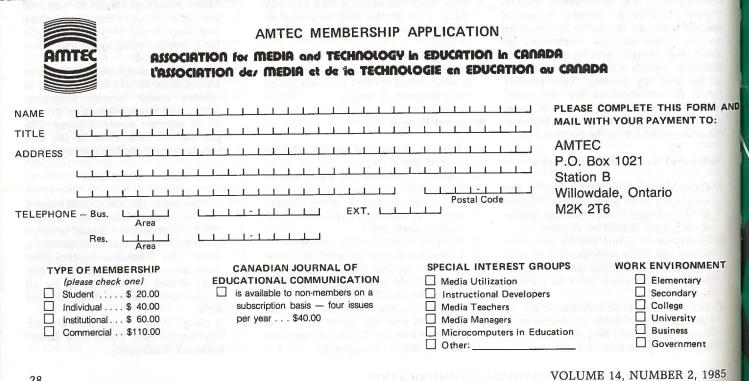
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