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For information, registration and program information please see the conference website:

<http://www.umsl.edu/~conted/conferences/etd/>

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Additional Information:

<http://www.umsl.edu/~conted/>

<http://www.ndltd.org>



This conference series is organized by The Networked Digital Library of Theses and Dissertations, hosted by the University of Missouri - St. Louis and co-sponsored by West Virginia University.



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About the Conference

Are you thinking about implementing an electronic thesis and dissertation (ETD) program at your school? How long can you afford to wait while your graduate research goes unnoticed? Do you have an ETD program in place but would like to learn more? If so, the ETD 2006 U.S. Regional Conference is the perfect venue for you.

The Conference is organized by the Networked Digital Library of Theses and Dissertations (NDLTD). The NDLTD initiative is an open federation of over 200 member universities and supporting organizations including research institutions and private companies.

What We Do

NDLTD activities focus on universities, libraries, faculties and graduate students in order to support authoring, indexing, archiving, retrieving and dissemination of electronic theses and dissertations world wide.

NDLTD's goal is to improve graduate education by encouraging students to produce electronic documents, use digital libraries, and understand publishing issues.

ETD 2006 U.S. Regional Conference will provide a forum to:

- Share the secrets of successful ETD programs.
- Learn about new developments related to ETD authoring, archiving and dissemination.
- Meet and discuss ETD challenges and issues with peer participants in your region.
- Build skills that will facilitate ETD implementation at your university.
- Review issues that influence the success of your ETD program.
- Share experiences and research with the ETD community.



About St. Louis, Missouri

Founded by French fur traders in 1764, St. Louis was a French and Spanish settlement built at a strategically important spot near the confluence of the Mississippi and Missouri rivers. The founders named the city for Louis IX, the Crusader King of France. This year St. Louis celebrates the 200th anniversary of the return of Lewis & Clark's Corps of Discovery from the Pacific Ocean as well as the 40th anniversary of St. Louis' signature attraction - the Gateway Arch, opened in 1965 to honor President Thomas Jefferson and his vision of a continental United States.



In 1839 the University of Missouri's main campus was founded in Columbia, MO. In 1963 the University became a four-campus system and created a St. Louis area campus (University of Missouri-St. Louis). With its 28,000 student body, 4,000 faculties, 13 schools and colleges offering over 159 programs, the University of Missouri is a major research institution. The UMSL campus hosts over 15,000 students including programs at the undergraduate, masters and doctoral levels. Academic programs are enriched through advanced technologies and partnerships that link the University of Missouri-St. Louis to communities, institutions and businesses regionally, nationally and internationally.

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The Conference will be held on October 27-28, 2006 at the University of Missouri - St. Louis. The itinerary consists of a series of workshops and plenary sessions designed to provide a focus on ETD implementation issues, to highlight discussions from the ETD 2005 and 2006 Symposia and to provide a networking forum for the successful launch of ETD programs. We have developed a program packed with outstanding veteran speakers in the ETD field. There are session tracks for graduate school administrators, librarians and information technologists. To make the most out of the workshops we recommend that each institution send at least one representative for each of the track areas. Our goal is to explore and share the wealth of knowledge, experiences and resources available in order to enable each participant to return with an action plan in hand. This is the first of what we hope to be a series of regional conferences organized by the Networked Digital Library of Theses and Dissertations (NDLTD), hosted by the University of Missouri - St. Louis Graduate School and co-sponsored by the West Virginia University Libraries.

We are pleased to be able to offer a low cost, high impact opportunity which will make a difference not only in terms of engaging more institutional involvement with ETDs and institutional repositories in the U.S., but also to serve our goal of contributing to the global digital library of theses and dissertations.

Revealing the potential of ETDs – The ETD 2006 U.S. Regional Conference is the event you won't want to miss. Register soon as space is limited. More information about the conference is available online at <http://www.umsl.edu/~conted/conferences/etd/>. Should you have further questions please feel free to contact us. See you in St. Louis!

Best regards,

John Hagen (WVU) & Betsy Sampson (UMSL)
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Tourism Information

University of Missouri - St. Louis Attractions

- [UMSL Campus Tours](#) / [Virtual Tour](#)
- [UMSL Libraries Tour](#)
- Arts Events
 - [Gallery 210](#): Featured exhibit: Ana Flores - Cuban Journal
 - [Gallery Visio](#) (student art exhibits)
 - [Gallery FAB](#) (Fine Arts Building)
 - [Touhill](#) Performing Arts Center: [Bob Newhart performance](#): Sunday, October 29, 2006, at 2pm

St. Louis Area Attractions

- [Thomas Jefferson Memorial / Museum of Westward Expansion](#)
- [Gateway Arch](#)
- [St. Louis Forest Park](#)
 - St. Louis Art Museum
 - St. Louis Science Center
 - Missouri History Museum
 - Jewel Box
 - Muny Theater
 - Paddle and Row boating (Boathouse)
 - Walking tours & Bike tours of the park
 - St. Louis Zoo
- [Missouri Botanical Gardens](#)
- [Bowling Hall of Fame](#)
- [City Museum](#)
- [The Magic House](#)
- [Grant's Farm](#)
- [Anheuser-Busch Brewery](#)
- [Soulard Farmers Market](#) - Oldest Indoor Market
- [Cathedral Basilica of St. Louis](#) - Largest Mosaic Collection in the U.S

Additional Tourism Resources

[City of St. Louis Visitor Information](#)

[Explore St. Louis](#)

[Missouri Travel Information](#)

[Weather](#) (autumn in St. Louis is usually mild and pleasant)