From the Director

Here we go again!

CSSCR has had a summer of change. Our Data Archivist, Grace Gu, moved to Houston where her husband has a new job. After an extensive search we hired Tina Tian. Tina started Sept 1. (See separate article.) We also had 8 of our 11 Graduate students graduate or leave. So this autumn will again be a training quarter for us. Because we lost so many staff we are offering a shortened version of our Back-to-School Seminars this year. We just did not have enough bodies to teach our normal 30 classes!

I hope your ramp up to the beginning of the quarter is not too steep!

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Our New Archivist

Tina Tian is our new data archivist. She is from China, has a Master’s Degree in Statistics and graduated from Mississippi State University.

She is looking forward to working with CSSCR’s clients and learning about your data needs; please drop by and meet her!
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If you have a letter from Disabled Student Services indicating you have a disability that requires academic accommodations, please present the letter to Fred Nick at CSSCR so we can discuss the accommodations you might need for class.
From September 16 to September 24, CSSCR will be conducting a series of seminars on computer use. The hour-long sessions are free and non-credit. These seminars are fairly general, brief introductions to the subjects presented. In-depth classes on these subjects will be taught later in the quarter. To sign up for CSSCR seminars, call 543-8110 or stop by 145 Savery Hall during office hours, or sign up on CSSCR’s Web page (www: http://julius.csscr.washington.edu/).

**Introduction to CSSCR and Campus Resources**
This short talk is an overview of CSSCR’s equipment, services and resources. I will also explain how CSSCR fits into the college and campus computing picture and what resources campus offers. A brief review of the Back-to-School Seminar agenda will be provided.

**Instructor:** Fred Nick  
**When:** Monday, September 19  
9:30AM to 10:00am  
**Where:** Room 149, Savery Hall

**Microsoft Word Tricks (Kill the Paper Clip!)**
In this lecture, I will show you some of the undocumented features and non-intuitive procedures users of Microsoft Word commonly encounter.

**Instructor:** Dixielynn Gleason  
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**Where:** Room 149, Savery Hall

**Introduction to Photoshop**
This brief introduction to Adobe Photoshop will cover a little color theory and review the basic features of the program. Toward the end of the hour we will thinly cover more advanced tools like filters, layers and paths.

**Instructor:** Fred Nick  
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**Where:** Room 149, Savery Hall

**Slide and Table Scanners/OCR and Photos**
This is a tour of CSSCR’s scanning equipment. We have flatbed scanners, slide scanners, and software to interpret and enhance your output.

**Instructor:** Marcos Torres  
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**Introduction to PowerPoint**
Powerpoint is a versatile package which allows you to organize information on “slides.” In this hour, we will look at how Powerpoint is structured, and how new users can create presentations, organize notes, manage graphics, and construct simple but fun animation.

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Introduction to SPSS
This beginning class in SPSS will teach you the basics of quantitative analysis. We will explore how to enter data, how to recode variables, to produce descriptives, to assess basic relationships between two variables and to produce nifty and cool-looking graphs. At the end of the one-hour session, you will be able to recognize and use the basic functions of SPSS.

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Introduction to Excel
This course will introduce you to Microsoft Excel. We'll navigate the spreadsheet user interface, learn how to enter data, use formulas, functions, and charts, and perform basic formatting. No previous experience with Microsoft Excel is necessary.

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Advanced Excel/Graphs/Stats/Database
This class is for those with some experience with Excel who would like to learn more. We will focus on pivot tables and charts, graphing, and data analysis.

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Introduction to EViews
EViews provides a user-friendly interface for data analysis. It does not require extensive knowledge of programming and is easy to learn. Although the software is econometric-oriented, people from other fields can still benefit from learning EViews.

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Introduction to NVivo
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Introduction to MATLAB
MATLAB is a high-performance language for technical computing. It integrates computation, visualization, and programming in an easy-to-use environment where problems and solutions are expressed in familiar mathematical notation.

Tentative Roadmap for the course
- Generate matrices and perform mathematical operations on matrices,
- Plot data and annotate graphs,
- Create scripts and functions using Matlab

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