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New class mandatory for professors

by Kara Bakowski ~ Resident Slacker

After receiving numerous complaints about the quality of class materials, professors will now be required to take and pass two one-semester course, or will face termination.

UN1337, *Communicating with Clarity*, is a new class tailored specifically towards professors, and will cover topics such as handwriting, how to use Windows, MS office basics, and general command of the English language. UN8008, *“Do as I say, not as I do”, and Other Common Mistakes*, will provide insight regarding the proper way to create and enforce class standards, as well as a crash course on Canvas’s grade input system. An AB is considered a passing grade for both courses.

“We all know that engineers and scientists are terrible writers, but we still attempt to bring them up to the level of professionals.” Registrar Theresa Jacques said. “If our professors can’t communicate effectively, we can’t expect our students to do the same. We are excited to offer this course.”

All professors, whether they’re at this university for research or because they love to teach, will be required to take these classes within the next two years. New professors must pass the class before beginning their teaching career at Michigan Tech.

“I can’t say I’m thrilled to have to take this class on top of my 70 hours of research and teaching each week, but I guess I don’t have much of a choice,” an electrical engineering professor grumbled. He then proceeded

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Man confuses iPad for cell phone

by Alex Dinsmoor ~ Editor-in-Chief

IRON MOUNTAIN, MI – A local businessman has recently mixed up his iPad Mini and his cell phone, bringing him to the realization that phone sizes are “really getting out of hand.” The incident happened at 6:30AM on Wednesday morning, as the man was leaving for work. “The house was dark and I didn’t feel like turning on all of the lights, so I just grabbed my keys and what I thought was my phone and left for work.” The man made the realization halfway to work that he did in fact have his tablet and not his phone.

“I just got the new 6 inch HTC phone as I was due for an upgrade. It wasn’t until today, however, that I realized that no normal human should own a phone that large.” After the incident, the man reflected back on how ridiculous cell phones have become in the past few years. “At first I thought the iPhone was big, but then they just made them larger and larger and kept telling us that “size matters”. These aren’t dicks, you don’t need the largest one out there to be happy!” The man then googled a picture of a flip phone and shed a single tear.

We asked our local Verizon store to comment on the size of the phones and the public’s feelings on the matter.

“They’re the best!” store manager Ronald Lindenberg told The Bull. “Ever since we have stocked them, people have been clamoring to get their hands on them, even if they have to use two hands to hold them. We have been also selling a lot of accessories, such as man purses to hold the phones, as they can’t fit into anyone’s pockets.” When asked about the type of person that buys this phone, he told us “normally ones that drive large SUVs.” 🐻

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to scrawl an illegible comment on a lab report.

Students, on the other hand, are ecstatic. When asked to comment, all responded along the lines of "FUCKING FINALLY," with a variety of examples of horrible experiences. Even STC majors had complaints, mostly about how their professors were too technical in their communication.

Complaints being addressed include:

Syllabus as a MS Word file: "No, I don't want to download this and Google Docs just fucks up the formatting, please jus `t use a PDF," one student explained.

Capitalization: Some professors don't know when to Capitalize a Noun, How To Not Write Like You're Constantly Typing the Title of a Really Complicated Book, and WHEN CAPITAL LETTERS ARE APPROPRIATE, BECAUSE I'M SURE YOU DON'T ALWAYS MEAN TO YELL ON YOUR SLIDES.

Sloppy handwriting: It's already hard enough to tell a p from a rho and a derivative from a partial derivative, but when you can't tell if a letter is an r, l, t, or lowercase gamma...that's just a recipe for failure and mass confusion.

"Do as I say, not as I do": The namesake of UN8008, a common mistake is professors detailing certain expectations for reports, but grading using a different set of standards altogether.

Tech website/internet navigation: Valuable class time can be saved if you don't have to search the Tech website for Canvas and don't google Google. To be fair, nobody really knows how to navigate the Tech website, but it shouldn't take 10 minutes for them to figure out how to get to Canvas. ☹

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Subreddit of the Week: /r/CanDrawThat

by Kara Bakowski ~ Secretariat

Put a visualization to your imagination! You request it, they draw it... "they" being whoever feels like it. Scenarios are submitted as requests, and random redditors comment with links to their visual artistic interpretation of what you described.

Past requests include Batman in ancient Roman armor, a deer with car headlights for eyes, otters eating Otter Pops (d'aww) and Jesus as an assassin. These can be as simple as a guinea pig on a pile of skulls, or as complex as Batman riding a Charizard into battle against Sauron, with the Flash and Hungry Pumpkin having a tea party in the background.

Anyone can respond to requests, so quality ranges from barely-recognizable scribbles in Paint to beautiful, detailed pencil sketches. This makes it very hit or miss, but always entertaining. There are plenty of requests that make you go "what the fuck is that guy smoking?", if that's any indicator of the content.

Even if your creativity has been drained by schoolwork, /r/CanDrawThat is still a great place to hang out and have a laugh. The randomness of the requests is enjoyable on its own, but most requests get responses, which doubles the fun! ☺



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