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## IMPORTANT PHONE NUMBERS

Hardware problems: 432-8407

Other problems: 432-8561/8628

DIAL-UP PORTS

300 BPS: 430-3371

5448/5449 (on campus)

1200 BPS: 435-1443

# User Help Centre Courses for December

The User Help Centre (UHC) will be offering the following courses for the IBM PC during the month of December:

DOS Level One Wednesday, 87:12:16 (09:00-11:00)

DOS Level Two
Wednesday, 87:12:15 (09:00-11:30)
or
Thursday, 87:12:17 (09:00-11:30)

If you are interested in registering for any of these sessions, please contact the UHC at 8561.

## New Micro Support Specialist

Val Plavan has joined Computer Resources as Micro Support Specialist, replacing John Slater. Val has an excellent background in micros and has been previously working as a consultant. If you have questions regarding microcomputing, please contact the User Help Centre FIRST.

## New Plotter Service

A PC-based plotter system utilizing a B-size plotter (Roland 885) is now available in the User Help Centre to faculty and staff on a self-serve basis. The plotter can handle A and B size drawings (or metric A3 and A4). As the greatest anticipated use is for plotting business graphics, the plotter is set up for A (8 1/2" x 11") or A4 size plots. Chart Master (available in the UHC) can be used for plotting.

Standard 8 1/2" x 11" plotting paper and fibre-tip pens are supplied by Computer Resources. For other paper sizes or overhead transparencies, please bring your own. Similarly, if you want to plot with special pens, please buy your own set.

## SPSS/PC+

The Site License version of SPSS/PC+ is now available to BCIT faculty and staff for an initial fee of \$100 and an annual renewal fee of \$25. The renewal fee is required because BCIT has to pay an annual licence renewal fee and the intent is to make the site licence self-sustaining.

SPSS/PC+ is a <u>subset</u> of the SPSS statistical analyis package for running on the PC. For more information, refer to the <u>Bulletin</u>, 87:05:04.

Currently, 14 copies are available for lease.

All users of SPSS PC+ (faculty, staff and students) will be required to sign an agreement to abide by the terms of the site license; namely --

- \* not to copy or distribute the software, or allow the software to be copied;
- \* not to reverse engineer the software;
- \* to use the software only at the following locations:
  - (a) the Willingdon campus
  - (b) the Downtown Education Centre

If you would like a copy and the terms are agreeable, please contact Dan Low (local 8268).

Whenever possible, installation will be made directly onto your hard disk. (A minimal system is a PC/XT with a 20MB hard disk.)

# JPRT, A New Print Program

A new print program has been developed by Technical Support and has been available to all Institute users of the IBM system since 87:11:15.

The name of the program is JPRT. (JDOC for Script processing.)

JPRT and JDOC will replace MPRT and DOC. Several user suggestions have been incorporated into this new program.

Some features offered are:

- \* Printer selection
- \* Font/option selection
- \* File selection
- \* Carriage Control
- \* Number of copies
- \* Online Help
- \* Script processing uses same menu format. (Invoked through JDOC.)
- \* Printing of documents with a line length greater than 132 characters.
- \* Printing of RDRLIST files.
- \* Command line invocation (similar to what MPRT does now).

We would like you to try it. Type in JPRT (or JDOC for Script).

By pressing <PF9>, you will get the on-line help facility which shows what JPRT can do and how to do it. For "command line invocation", the command format is shown below:

JPRT fn ft fm ( prt nn option nnnn { other CMS PRINT params.

Computer Resources personnel have had the opportunity of using it for the last three months, giving us the chance to correct any actual and potential problems.

MPRT and DOC will remain available for a while. However, every time you use either of them, you will be reminded to use JPRT and JDOC.

For those who want to exploit all the possibilities of JPRT and JDOC, or just want to get going with them, we have planned two short informational sessions at the User Help Centre (UHC). Please contact the UHC for dates, times and registration details.

## DOCUMENTATION UPDATE

New/Revised:

#### IBM 3083 Mainframe

BCIT CMS User's Guide (87:07:06)

BCIT VSE User's Guide (87:08:04)

BCIT FOCUS User's Guide(87:04:03)

BCIT IBM Mainframe

Introductory Kit (87:06:29)

BCIT SCRIPT User's

Guide (87:07:01)

BCIT SPSS User's Guide (87:07:17)

BCIT WATFOR-77 User's

Guide (87:04:21)

#### HP3000

BCIT HP3000 User's

Guide

(87:07:07)

BCIT Powerhouse User's

Guide (87:02:16)

## Micros

BCIT dBase III Plus User's Guide

(87:07:30)

## Communications

BCIT Data Communications

Guide (87:07:24)

If you have a copy of these user guides, please check the date on them. If they do not match the dates given above, your copies are out of date and should be replaced.

These guides are available free to faculty and staff from the User Help Centre. The user guides appropriate for student use are available, at nominal cost, from the Bookstore.

# FOR YOUR INFORMATION ....

Any faculty or staff member with a CMS ID can view BCIT's online policy manual by typing:

POLICY

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## The User Help Centre SOFTWARE PIRACY QUIZ

Please spend a few moments to take this quiz:

- 1. Do you use software for which you have NOT read the licensing agreement?
- 2. Do you use software for which you do NOT have the original diskettes?
- 3. Non-copy protected software allows you to make <u>legal</u> copies of your software for use on several machines, correct?
- 4. Does the term "shareware" always mean that you can make a copy of the software for regular use without paying for it?
- 5. Is your software loaded on more than one computer at once?
- 6. Did your department budget for Computer hardware this year, but not any software? (Has your department set aside funds to purchase legitimate copies of software?)
- 7. Have you distributed illegally copied software to your students for "classroom" use?

If you answered yes to any of these questions, you MAY be violating software copyright laws. The penalties for breaking these laws have become much stiffer in Canada, and if you are found guilty, you personally and/or BCIT could be charged.

The BCIT Computing policy states:

"Do not pirate software, and do not used any pirated software on Institute computer facilities."

Remember that licence agreements vary from vendor to vendor, so what may be legal with one package may not be legal with another. Protect yourself and BCIT - Don't use pirated software!

If you have any further questions on software piracy, contact the User Help Centre at 8561.

## OPERATIONS NOTE

December-January Hours of Operation

\* The hours for the academic IBM CMS system are now:

(0700 - 2300) Monday - Friday (0900 - 1700) weekends

- \* Last weekend open will be 87:12:19/20
- \* First weekend open will be 88:01:09/10
- \* On weekends, the HP 3000 runs in UNATTENDED mode from 1700-2400 during the school year.
- \* Preventive maintenance on the HP3000 is scheduled for 87:12:15 from 0700-1500.
- \* Closed: 87:12: 24-28,31 88:01: 01-04

For information on operating hours, refer to the LOGON messages each time you logon to either computer system.

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