APT: Alliance for People and Technology
a SIG CHI student chapter of ACM@UIUC
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Creation of a community of students and faculty across diverse programs and institutions; learning about and engaging in the work of HCI professionals; and increasing awareness of HCI issues are among the different student group objectives.

Actions:
• Ph entry

Membership:
• CS, Psych, LIS, IE students
• Local (industry) CHI community

Objectives and Purpose:
• The goal of the chapter is to offer practical, career-oriented information and support to its members. *Last fall, the chapter created a tutorial series that began with a [web] design tutorial presented by the chapter president ->* Applied and specific tutorials.
> • Other such behavior; perhaps a re-design project--they usually yield high interest-involvement.
> • Membership growth and planting
> • Increase communication and collaboration among students specializing in the segmented disciplines.

• Speakers - RSO's and departments [CS, LIS, Psychology]
• SIG-crossed members in ACM serve as *Interaction Liaisons*
• *One of the more exciting events hosted was CHI 99.5; many of us had attended CHI '99 in Pittsburgh PA USA, so we re-presented panels or talks that we had attended there in a series of short presentations.* Host same for Bailey's students, Psych, and LIS students.
> • Organize Student Research Poster Contest, Student Tutorial Paper Contest, culminating into:
>> • re-Presentation night featuring student projects from independent work, SIGs, and CHI courses w/ projects (Bailey's CS397, Twidale's LIS220, Psych/IE 258, ...)
>> • Plan it for an evening at end of each semester (following Conference and EOH but near as possible), acquire funding and perform planning early such that professors announce as opportunity when projects start.
>>> • Should motivate some students so they can have something to show for their time and effort; With a chance they'll participate in SIG CHI as part of domino to learn and perfect their project.

Points to achieve and succeed:
• Chair, Vice-chair, Secretary, and Webmaster comprise executive council which plans and structures activities proposed to members. (*WatCHI*)
> • (Freshman) Webmaster: *good entry point to support continuation of leadership*

• Work closely with related RSO's and closely with Faculty/department to organize:
> • Meetings
>> • **Networking:** Socially and academically bridge SIG CHI-involved grad students spread across all departments
> • Invite companies to give presentations on methods/projects and recruit for HCI positions. Also tours to company labs.

• Become a recognized **ACM SIG CHI** student chapter
> • Adhere to the defined bylaws: http://www.acm.org/chapters/stu/sigchistartup.html

          • 10 interested students; 3 officers who must be members of Nat'l ACM SIG CHI
                • Attain (SORF?) funding of officer membership to Nat'l ACM SIG CHI
      • Faculty Sponsor (must be Nat'l SIG CHI member)

• Meet-The-Faculty lunches sponsored by CS, Psychology, LIS, Aviation HF Division of Inst. of Aviation

<u>Partner RSO's:</u>
• most ACM SIGs
• American Society for Information Science and Technology Student Chapter
• Innovative in Educational Computing
• Technological Frontiers Society
• Human Factors and Ergonomics Society