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Tufts OpenCourseWare is part of a new educational movement initiated by MIT where course content is accessible for free to everyone online. Tufts University's initial offerings demonstrate its strength in the life sciences, as well as a multidisciplinary approach, an international perspective, and an underlying ethic of service to our local, national and international communities. Tufts OCW is a publication of Tufts course materials. It does not require any registration, does not offer academic credit and, in most cases, does not provide access to Tufts faculty.

Spring Updates:

- Tufts has received its second grant from the William and Flora Hewlett Foundation to support the OCW initiative through June 2007. The funding allows the university to further develop the interface between our internal course management system and our OCW site, and to continue expanding the numbers and kinds of courses it offers from all of Tufts' eight schools and colleges. This is substantial external validation of the project and its importance to the global movement for open educational resources.
- Three new courses have been added to the OCW website since February 2006:
- Geriatric Dentistry School of Dental Medicine http://ocw.tufts.edu/courses/18/CourseHome
- Medicine 1 School of Dental Medicine http://ocw.tufts.edu/courses/24/CourseHome
- Tropical Ecology and Conservation School of Arts and Sciences http://ocw.tufts.edu/courses/21/CourseHome

These complement the growing list of courses that range from "Producing Films for Social Change" to the "Pathophysiology of Infectious Diseases".

- Traffic to the OCW website increased more than 25% on average over the period January-March 2006, compared to the quarter ended December 2005, with most traffic coming from these regions: the United States, the United Kingdom, Canada and the Philippines.
- Four representatives from Tufts will attend the Spring 2006 OCW Consortium Meeting in Kyoto, Japan, on April 20th and 21st. The meeting will bring together representatives of OCW projects from Spain, France, the UK, China, India, Latin America the US and elsewhere, in addition to the Japanese OCW schools co-hosting the event.
- *Notice to all Tufts faculty:* OCW is continually looking for new courses to add to the site. If you would like to get involved, please email ocweditor@tufts.edu

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