

2004-2005
Quality Enhancement Program Summary
Office of Institutional Research,
Planning and Effectiveness



Department: Anthropology

Award Amount: \$15,000

Award Recipient: Peter Little

Project Focus:

QEP funds were provided for installation of smart room equipment in Room 104 Lafferty Hall and updating of the Anthropology website to be used in conjunction with professionalization training of graduate students and enhancement of their professional presentations.

Assessment Method:

In consultation with Deb Moore, a rubric was selected for evaluation of student presentations (<http://www.ncsu.edu/midlink/rub.pres.html>). Because installation of equipment was not finalized until late in April, we will begin administrating evaluations in fall 2006.

Progress as of May 2006, as provided by Chris Pool:

The smart room equipment was installed in Room 104 Lafferty Hall over the course of the Spring 2006 semester, with final installation on occurring on April 27, 2006. Equipment included:

- Smart Board
- Epson 2000 multimedia projector
- DVD/VCR combination player
- PIXIE control box
- Wireless mouse and keyboard
- Cables, mounts, etc.

Two training sessions for faculty and graduate students were provided by Creative Image Technology on April 7, 2006.

Progress on updating the Department of Anthropology website includes:

- A thorough review of the old web site to assess its current design, determine what parts of the web site should be retained, what parts should be deleted, what parts needed updating, and discussed ideas for items to add.
- Research of other anthropology department web sites for ideas and formats that were appealing.
- Collecting of images, information, news items, etc. that could be used in the new web pages. A web designer laid out a new template for the web page and began constructing the individual pages and importing content. A significant part of this effort was updating and correcting old content.
- The prototype web design was completed and went live in early 2006.

Future Plans:

Work to be done includes improving the functionality of the web site, adding new content, and improving the overall look. This work will be done professionally by Creative Graphics.