

IDEC Midwest Regional Conference 2008

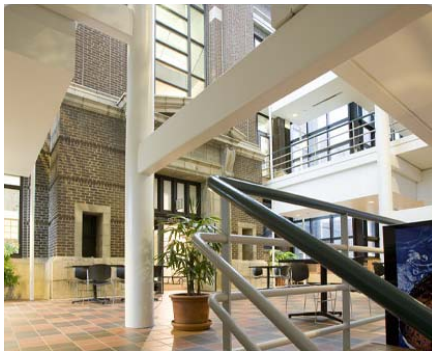
October 17-18, University of Nebraska-Lincoln/ Miami University, OH

Technology, Teaching, and Time Warp:

One of the issues facing design pedagogy today is the role of technology and its impact on design processes, advancements of theory and implications for communication. The theme for the 2008 IDEC Midwest Conference; Technology, Teaching, and Time Warp, is focused on exploring these factors and is structured to encourage dialogue among participants.

In spirit of the conference theme, technology will also be a vehicle communicate amongst conference participants as well as provide more cost-effective accessibility for attendees. Two conference sites, in fairly central locations to IDEC Midwest members, will link together so presentations can be viewed and real-time dialogued shared between participants. Travel information and lodging options for each site will be posted on the IDEC website.

University of Nebraska-Lincoln.



Our first conference site is the Interior Design program at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln. The Interior Design Program is housed in the award-winning Architecture Hall, one of the oldest and yet most up-to-date buildings on the UNL campus. The college also has several computer-aided design systems, as well as a simulation laboratory that features new technologies in still photography and video photography, combined with computer hardware and software, to create visual simulations of the built environment. The College of Architecture offers a number of courses in computer applications for design and planning.¹

Miami University- Oxford, OH

Our second conference site is the Interior Design Program in the Department of Architecture + Interior Design at Miami University in Oxford, OH. The department, located in Alumni Hall, boasts state-of-the-art computing facilities, including complete networking and wireless internet access for all studio workstations. Recent grants from the Learning Technologies Enrichment Program, the National Science Foundation, and the Ohio Board of Regents have created opportunities for students to partner with outside professionals and students using internet technology, to explore the computer as a design tool.²



Due to the experience of integrating technology in both of these design programs, they make perfect partners for this year's conference theme, Technology, Teaching and Time Warp. We hope you'll mark your calendars and plan on attending the IDEC Midwest Conference.

¹ All information and images on UNL were obtained from the program website, <http://archweb.unl.edu/>

² All information and images on Miami University were obtained from the program website, <http://www.fna.muohio.edu/arcweb/index2/index.html>