

Fall 2008

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The College of Textiles was well-represented at the 86th Textile Institute World Conference in Hong Kong from November 18-21, 2008. Four faculty members from the College of Textiles presented papers at the conference; Dr. George L. Hodge, Dr. William Oxenham, Dr. Abdel-Fattah Mohamed Seyam, and Dr. Ahmed El-Shafei. Dr. Christy Cagle, Director of International Programs for the COT and Reece Allen, a Ph.D. candidate in Textile Technology Management, also presented papers at the conference. The theme of the 2008 conference was, "Fashion and Textiles: Heading Towards New Horizons". In addition to presenting at the conference, they also met with the two graduate students that were attending Hong Kong Polytechnic University as part of the Global Supply Chain Management Fellows Program. More information on this program can be found by visiting the [website](#).

Also, in Fall 2008, 7 students from Hong Kong Polytechnic University attended courses at the College of Textiles as part of the Global Supply Chain Management Fellows Program. These students are the first graduates of this program and will receive a Masters degree from HKPU. Chitharanjan Chettikaliappan (the first NCSU participant in this program) finished his final semester at HKPU and will receive a Master of Textiles degree from NCSU. In the Fall of 2009, the second group of Fellows will finish the program at NCSU. The Fall 2009 group will include students from all three participating universities; NCSU, HKPU, and ENSAIT in Robaix, France.

Upcoming Events

Dr. Katherine Carroll (Kate), an Assistant Professor in the TATM department, will present a paper at the 11th Annual Conference for the International Foundation of Fashion Technology Institutes (IFFTI). The conference will be held on April 2-3, 2009 at the London College of Fashion, University of the Arts London, UK. The theme of this year's conference is fashion and well being. Dr. Carroll's paper will reports on ways that women with identity differences based on physical ability view fashion in terms of health and well-being. Dr. Carroll will also attend a conference at the Royal College of Art's Helen Hamlyn Research Centre, London, UK from April 5-8, 2009. The theme of the conference is "Inclusive design into innovation: transforming practice in design, research and business".

The 2009 Spring Annual Meeting and Technical Conference of the Fiber Society will be held on May 27-29 in Shanghai, P.R. China and will be hosted by the College of Textiles at Donghua University. The theme of this year's conference is "Fibrous Materials: Science, Technology, and Applications".

The Autex (Association of Universities for Textiles) 2009 World Textile Conference will be held in Izmir, Turkey from May 26-28, 2009 and is hosted by the Ege University Engineering Faculty Department of Textile Engineering. The Conference will provide an opportunity for the exchange of the latest information and knowledge on techniques and applications in all fields of textiles and will encourage international co-operation between the people both in academia and industry. The College of Textiles is an associate member of Autex and hosted the conference in 2006.