

## Five Short Courses to Precede 2006 CSE Annual Meeting

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CSE Short Courses**

The popular short courses will be presented in conjunction with the 2006 CSE annual meeting, in Tampa, Florida. The short courses are intense 1- or 2-day courses for people who have recently taken on a new position or new responsibility and people who have served in a position for some time and want to find out what others in the same position are doing. Each course includes time for discussion, and each person who attends receives a course notebook of supplementary materials.

The short course for journal editors will be presented on Friday and Saturday, 19 and 20 May, and will be organized by Iain E P Taylor, assistant editor in chief of the National Research Council of Canada Research Journals. The course will cover such topics as the roles and responsibilities of editors and authors, establishing a peer-review process and nurturing reviewers, and ethical obligations of editors, reviewers, and authors.

The short course on publication management will be presented on Saturday, 20 May, and will be organized by Patricia Baskin, executive managing editor of *GeneReviews*. The focus will be the “managing” role of the managing editor and the host of management issues that managing editors face, from management of personnel to

management with and of “liaisons” and editors-in-chief and management of publishers and other subcontractors.

The short course for manuscript editors will be presented on Saturday, 20 May, and will be organized by Margaret Perkins, chief manuscript editor of medical journals at the University of Chicago Press. The course will cover such topics as editing of tables and figures, grammar and usage challenges, levels of editing, and statistics for the science editor.

The short course on editorial issues in digital publishing (formerly the short course on electronic publishing solutions) will be presented on Saturday, 20 May, and will be organized by Kevin Pirkey, vice president of Odyssey Press. The course will include information on such topics as digital art, information architecture, content-management systems, the logistics and cost of Web publishing, XML, and copyright.

Returning in 2006 by popular demand is the short course on statistics. This course debuted at the 2005 CSE annual meeting to overwhelmingly positive response, and it is now a permanent component of the CSE short-course program. It will be presented on Saturday, 20 May, and will be organized by Jessica Ancker. The course curriculum is designed to enable participants to read, understand, report, and edit basic statisti-

cal analyses.

More information about the CSE short courses will appear in coming issues of *Science Editor*, on the CSE Web site ([www.CouncilScienceEditors.org](http://www.CouncilScienceEditors.org)), and in the preliminary program for the meeting. Mark your calendars now to attend!

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