Supercourse Newsletter
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Mirror Mirror on the Wall, Who is the fairest of them all (from Snow White)

In the classic story of Snow White, the mean step mother had a magic mirror that told her that Snow White was the fairest which sent the Queen into a rage with the mission to kill Snow White.

When we ask the Magic Mirror as to who is the fairest web page in Global Health, the answer is of course the Supercourse!! Before 2012 we plan to give to all institutions a magical Supercourse Mirror, which will make Global Health alive in your institution. We are planning to have at least one Supercourse Mirror in every country in the world by the end of this year. We would like to give to you a magic Supercourse mirror to bring global health to you and your students.

A magical Supercourse global mirror is a very simple. We provide all 4802 lectures of the Supercourse for your server, your library, or your PCs. This is free and is a present of Global Health from the 2000 authors of lectures in the Supercourse. The goal is to put all of our Supercourse lectures on your server. With this you bring much of the world's knowledge about global health in your university, library or ministry of health, and the lectures are yours and you can call it yours, e.g. the University of Hanoi Supercourse. Won't it be fantastic to have the Supercourse lectures being used in every country and that you will have a huge increase in training in global health?

We provided a means where you can easily download all of our lectures into a server, PC, DVD, memory stick. The HTML files are not large. Then every 3 months, you can update your files merely by downloading all the lectures again. Your faculty can also contribute their lectures to your Supercourse and you can translate these into any language.. You can give your students and your children, global health from Mongolia, Sudan, Canada, and Brazil.

 Pedro Urra in Cuba developed the   the mirroring concept almost a decade ago. In 2002 I did a search on "supercourse" to see where it was being used. To my Surprise one site jumped out, www.supercourse.cu; amazing to me the full Supercourse was on the MOH server in Cuba.   I looked at this in surprise, thinking that the Cubans had just stolen all our work!! Then I realized how brilliant Pedro was, as our goal is to share of the lectures of global health and science and mirroring helps to do this by making it easily available in each country. Since then we have encouraged the building of mirrored servers and to this point 45 mirrors have been built. Our most famous mirrored server is at the library of Alexandria which receives 10% of the hits at the library, with millions of visits per year.

A man's manners are a mirror in which he shows his portrait. Goethe

There are several advantages of a Mirrored Supercourse: Your faculty will have the most up to date teaching materials on global health in your country. Also this immediately demonstrates that your university is building a global health program. In many countries, the speed of searching is improved. It is very easy to download. Also, many more people will visit your site. In addition we do not know if the Supercourse can survive in the next few years, but if we are in all the countries of the world, the Supercourse can continue. Finally, it is completely transparent, free, and no strings attached..

The Supercourse gains by establishing a presence in all countries. Also, this will continue to help us with our goal to double the amount of training in Global Health and Prevention in your country and the world. The more awareness about the Supercourse, the more awareness of global health.

At the end of Snow White, the wicked step mother poisons Snow White, it is thought that she dies, and the dwarves carry her away. At the same time a rich, handsome prince uses the latest prevention approaches and kisses Snow White, and she becomes alive spitting out the apple that was choking her. What a great happy ending showing the success of the supercourse for improving global health in pretty women and 7 short people going to work.

Our Russian Prince, Eugene Shubnikov, M.D. is proud to kiss the server in your center and bring it alive with global health and prevention. You can reach Prince Shobnikov at super1@pitt.edu.   The   instructions   for   downloading   the   supercourse   are: http://www.pitt.edu/~super1/assist/download.htm

"Who sees the human face correctly; the photographer, the mirror, or the painter (Picasso)

Moral of the Story: An apple and a mirror a day keeps the doctor away.

Harvard and the Supercourse: We are amazed as to the number of participants there are from Harvard. We have 402 members. Thirty nine of them have contributed over 150 lectures.

News from WHO

The European Association for Health Information and Libraries (EAHIL) is an active professional association uniting and motivating librarians and information officers working in medical and health science libraries in Europe. EAHIL 2011 Workshop and Exhibition ""Active Learning and Research Partners in Health" which will be held at Koc University in Istanbul, Turkey between 5 and 8 July 2011. It will l be hosted by Koc University Library between 5-8 July 2011 in Istanbul, Turkey is now open at http://eahil2011.ku.edu.tr/registration.

Kindest regards
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Faina's Pick of the week: Dr. Jeongseon Kim from National Cancer Center in Korea recently visited us in Pittsburgh and presented a wonderful lecture of the epidemiology of gastric cancer. This lecture provides an interesting overview on leading cancers in Korea, specifically focusing on gastric cancer. Stomach and thyroid cancers are the two malignancies that are most commonly diagnosed in South Korea. In addition to general figures about cancers in Korea, this lecture presents interesting research data about some of the markers associated with cancers, such as interleukins. Lecture can be accessed at: http://www.pitt.edu/~super1/lecture/lec41911/index.htm

Best regards,

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