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Chancellor's Breakfast Guests to Hear How Info Technology Will Affect Life, Learning and Work

Information technology will be the topic on the table at UC Santa Barbara Chancellor Henry T. Yang's spring Chancellor's Community Breakfast, to be held 7:30 a.m. Monday, April 30 in Santa Barbara.

Joining the chancellor and his guests will be UCSB professors Bruce Bimber, Willis Copeland and Andrew Flanagin, who will present a talk titled, "Information Technology's Social Impacts:

Profound Changes in How We Live, Learn and Work."

The breakfast program, co-sponsored by the chancellor and the UCSB Affiliates, will be held in the Cabrillo Pavilion Arts Center, 1118 East Cabrillo Boulevard.

Cost is \$10 per guest.

Advance reservations are required and can be made by contacting the Office of Community Relations, University of California, Santa Barbara at (805) 893-4388 by April 26.

The professors will address the impact of information technology on society and on their areas of study and expertise. Bimber is director of UCSB's Center for Information Technology and Society and an assistant professor in the Department of Political Science.

He has been studying changes in information technology in the context of American democracy, and the consequences of those changes for political organization, collective action, social capital and political deliberation.

Copeland is a professor in the Gevirtz Graduate School of Education and is interested in understanding the workings of classrooms and in applications of technology to educational purposes.

Flanagin is an assistant professor in UCSB's Department of Communication and studies collaborative technology and collective action efforts that are facilitated by communication and information technologies.

He is also interested in studying the credibility of Internet information.

UCSB's Center for Information Technology and Society opened in 1999 in response to the information revolution.

Its mission is to promote leading-edge research about the human dimensions of information technology.

About UC Santa Barbara

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