

Online Tutorial for Music Research Project

Progress Report
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Laurel Whisler, Hampton Catlin and I wanted to update you on the progress of our grant project from ACS "Online Tutorial for Music Reseach." We have had a very productive summer despite one setback that I will explain later. Let me itemize the progress of this project:

The online overview, tutorials and test for the Music Index Online have gone through several drafts and are currently being reviewed by selected students and faculty as well as our library staff. These individuals have been asked to complete a questionnaire about the site. We have also alerted the ACS conference participants to sample the site and respond to the questionnaire this weekend.

The Music Index Online Overview, Tutorial (Basic Method), Tutorial (Expert Method), and Test are functioning and waiting for final revisions once we have completed our trial runs and analysis of the questionnaires.

We have delayed our work on the International Index of Music Periodicals (IIMP) because IIMP has notified their users that the site is being redesigned. It is scheduled to go online in October. Therefore, we will resume development of our IIMP tutorials once the redesigned site comes online. Our anticipated completion date is December 31, 2003.

This has been a challenging but extremely rewarding experience thus far. We are anxious to bring it to fruition and share it with the member institutions. The final version of the Music Index Online sites should be ready for the new academic year.

Laurel sends her regards and invites you to visit the site at <http://www.hampton2600.com/music/>

Sincerely,

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