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*Information Technology Services' series of monthly emails to all employees aimed at improving communications with campus about tips, information, technology updates and services offered in ITS.*

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### New Rotating Technology Showcase in HuskyTech



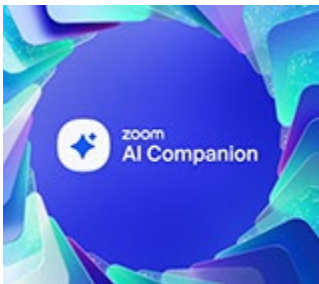
HuskyTech is excited to announce a rotating showcase of advancing technologies that highlight campus programs and opportunities. New in January:

- **Mini-drones:** Huskies can stop by to fly mini-drones in a netted drone tent and learn about SCSU's GIS-related programs.
- **Artificial Intelligence Guided Experiences:** Huskies can learn about generative AI tools such as ChatGPT and Microsoft Bing Chat.

Do you have innovative technologies and programs you'd like to showcase in HuskyTech? Contact [HuskyTech!](#)

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### AI Companion & Whiteboard Now Available in MinnState Zoom Service



There are new features available in the [MinnState Zoom service](#), including AI Companion and Whiteboard.

- The AI Companion can assist with meeting recording and summarizing. The AI Companion is turned off by default, but can be turned on in "Settings" within the MinnState Zoom service.
- You can access your Zoom Whiteboards on your Zoom dashboard and/or include them in a meeting within the meeting's settings. The virtual Whiteboard offers several templates to assist with organization, collaboration, research and more.

Contact [D2L@stcloudstate.edu](mailto:D2L@stcloudstate.edu) if you need assistance.

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## Workday will Replace ISRS for HR and Finance-Related Processes in July 2024



This July, Workday will become the new tool for several processes related to time and absence, expense reports, purchasing, budgeting and more across the Minnesota State system. To help prepare our faculty and staff, SCSU has established a [Local Transition Management Team](#) to help coordinate activities and communications at our campus.

Watch for communications in the coming months, and contact the team ([NextGenSCSU@stcloudstate.edu](mailto:NextGenSCSU@stcloudstate.edu)) for questions.

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## Inviting HIPAA Zoom Account Holders to Zoom Meetings/Webinars



Some employees are required to use a HIPAA-compliant instance of Zoom, which may cause them to be unable to join Zoom meetings/webinars that require StarID authentication to join. To allow access, when setting up a meeting/webinar in Zoom, you can modify the authentication rules in the security settings by changing it to "Minnesota State Colleges and Universities." This will pull up all MinnState institutions, which you can edit as applicable.

Detailed instructions are available on the [Knowledge Base](#). Please contact HuskyTech if you need further assistance.

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## Technology Updates in Wick Science Building 125



A new polycom conferencing system recently replaced the previous audio visual system in Wick Science Building 125. The room is now controlled through the polycom touchscreen and the projectors are controlled through the handheld remote, both available on the instructor station.

Instructors should bring their own device to use technology in the room as there is no longer an in-room computer. Instructors can use the HDMI connection on the desk to connect directly to the polycom system, and can also connect their laptop through the USB document camera to share materials to the room through a Zoom meeting.

To help reduce bouncing sounds within the space, acoustic tiles were installed in the back of the room.

Detailed instructions are available on the [Knowledge Base](#).

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Instructors can also request a [technology walkthrough](#) or contact [HuskyTech](#) for questions.

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### IT Partnership Highlight: Global Game Jam



In partnership with COSE and the Computer Science Club, SCSU Esports will host a local [Global Game Jam](#) event January 26th through January 28th in the Huskies Esports Arena (Lower Level of Atwood).

Encourage students interested art, design, planning, coding, music or presenting to join! They will work on teams over 48 hours to design a video or table top game. They will conceive of an idea, make a prototype, play test, then improve their design. On the final day, teams will receive awards and recognition.

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### IT Security Tip: Be Proactive When Upgrading Devices



The holiday season is a popular time to give and receive new electronic devices such as computers, phones, smart watches and more. This may lead to donating and recycling previously used devices. Back up and transfer data from your previous device to your new device, and be sure to clear any sensitive information from previously used devices, especially before selling, donating or recycling the device.

See [Malwarebytes Labs's tips on how to securely dispose of electronic devices](#) for more information.

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