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## **The Institute for Future Teachers Using Technology Coming to Eastern**

More than 30 high school students from across Connecticut will visit Eastern Connecticut State University on Sunday, to begin participating in the Institute for Future Teachers Using Technology (IFTUT). IFTUT, a week-long program that runs from June 26 through July 1, is sponsored by a Connecticut State Department of Education grant designed to enhance student awareness on the use of technology in the classroom.

This year, the technology program, in its fifth year, will focus on video production, Power Point presentations, and writing for educational media. The program provides a one-week residential college experience, in combination with hands-on training and rigorous undergraduate courses.

“There’s a shortage of teachers all over the country,” said David Stoloff, chair of Eastern’s Department of Education. “In Connecticut, math, science and world language teachers are especially hard to find. This program provides future teachers with a taste of the profession.”

IFTUT participants may also take part in a follow-up program, the Future Teachers Conference during Eastern’s 2006 spring break, which helps to further their understanding of the educational process. Students will receive career guidance, training resources and information about professional educators’ associations. IFTUT

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participants are selected on the basis of their application, essay and letters of recommendation.

For more information about IFTUT, contact David Stoloff at 860-465-5501 or email [stoloffd@easternct.edu](mailto:stoloffd@easternct.edu).

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