

VMT Workshop Participants – June 2004

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Professor Haake designs curriculum and teaches online computer science courses as well as pursuing his research in CSCL begun at Fraunhofer-IPSI.

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His interest is in the evaluation and design of socio-technical systems in accordance with human needs and organizational structures. He and his students have explored the support of negotiation in small workgroups.

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He specializes in the educational use of computer technologies, designing and building educational computer environments, and studying how they support thinking and learning. His work has been part of the development of CSILE.

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He designs, builds, and studies ways for computers to enhance thinking and learning. Currently his research focuses on collaborative technologies such as knowledge management tools and CSCL. Other interests include the use of design activities as a teaching method, design-based research methodologies, and science and technology education.

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Dr. Kaptelinin conducts research in CSCL and HCI dealing with integrated workspace management, personal technologies, distance learning, skill acquisition, and applications of activity theory; he teaches undergraduate and graduate courses in HCI.

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His research has focused on practices by which participants in joint activity provide practical instruction to each other. He examines these practices through micro-analytic studies of interaction in concrete settings. He is concerned with the role of designed artifacts in mediating the practices of instructability, sense-making, etc. He has sought to make connections between current issues in the learning sciences and the writings of Dewey and other philosophers.

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