

## Fall Semester, 2006 IC<sup>3</sup> Certification Information

Information for Students about Using IC<sup>3</sup> Certification as fulfillment of CIS 101

*How do I find information about the test, prepare for it, and arrange to take it?*

After the CIS 101 screening test, if you want to fulfill your CIS 101 general education requirement through certification, you should make arrangements to take the 3 exams that make up the IC<sup>3</sup> test. Visit <http://certiport.com> for complete details. At this site, you can get exam objectives and take sample tests. Also, searching for “IC<sup>3</sup> Objectives” at google.com may results in some additional helpful links. You can also purchase exam vouchers at the Certiport site; these can be redeemed at any Certiport testing center, including Prince George’s Community College. Follow the *Shop Certiport, Vouchers* links. The cost is currently \$33 for each of the three tests. You must pass all 3 to become certified. A schedule of testing hours on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor of Lanham will be available on the Department website during the early part of the semester, probably before the end of September.

*How can I get free vouchers for the test?*

During Fall Semester, 2006, the CIS Department will offer free exam vouchers (one for each of the three tests) to students who take the IC<sup>3</sup> Rapid Review course, CIS 099, while supplies last. Retesting is allowed; CIS 099 students who need more than one try for each test will have to purchase vouchers for their retakes.

*Do I need 2003 Standard or 2005 Standard Certification?*

Because the CIS Department wants students’ certifications to be as current as possible, we will be testing using the 2005, rather than the 2003 standard. A key difference is that the Key Applications section of this test includes some basic performance tasks in PowerPoint, in addition to Word and Excel. It’s important when you take the tests to ensure that the 2005 test is selected for each component.