Challenges for interaction in

A Client centered hybrid library

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"Client centered" needs to be redefined because

- our products and services have changed;
- the learning and research environment represents a new ball game;
- our clients are different.

Information sources and services have changed

- Increasingly in electronic format and delivered via the World Wide Web.
- No need for clients to visit the library physically.
- Clients' infrastructure and skills need to be upgraded.

Example

The 2002 UP marketing strategy for ScienceDirect

Marketing plan





Market environment - Micro



Product features	Client benefits
1500 peer reviewed journals	Quality information
24x7 Off campus passwords Robust	Reliable access on and off campus all hours Time saving
Alerts	Less information overload
CrossRef and other linking Other products on same platform	Integrated system Save training time
Browsing/Searching HTML/PDF Personalization	Options for preferences
Author gateway Publishing guidelines Citation information	Publishing possibilities Effective dissemination of own work Citation information Peer recognition

Situation / Opportunity Analysis



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AIS is an important contributor to the UP e-University initiative

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ScienceDirect e-only option not necessarily in accordance with <u>client preference</u>

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UP currently leading SA universities in research output. Aim to become leader in per capita research output

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Price of product —— Threat to sustainability



- To continue with our well established general marketing initiative via general training, web interfaces, training brochures, posters, newsletters and email messages
- To concentrate on four identified niche markets to take our marketing and ScienceDirect usage to a higher level

Market segmentation 2002



1	E-only generation (1 st year students in relevant faculties)	• NSE • VET • EBIT	879* 23 1183
2	Paper lovers	All faculties:	800
3	Young researchers	All faculties:	9700
4	Innovation managers/ teaching consultants	All faculties:	22

^{*} Client numbers

Target Group 2: The paper lovers



Description

Academic staff who prefer journals in

paper format

Mindset

Established work habits and preferences,

influential

Value proposition

Easier, faster, relevant information personalised, easy to share and

printable (PDF)

Our Aim

Customer development and retention

Generate repeat usage

We offer Convenience

Marketing Mix – Programme 2



Product/Service	Alerts (TOC and subjects), additional content, browsing, customization, early warning
Price	Competing for Information Resources budget share, forfeit paradigm
Place / Channel	Web
Promotion	Personal training sessions, campus news, newsletters, listservs, brochures, meetings, teasers, e-mail, word of mouth
People	Information specialists, faculty innovators
Physical Evidence	Paper printouts
Processes	Work station configuration, integration with other information sources

Target Group 3: The pyramid climbers



<u>Description</u> Young researchers with reputations

to build

Mindset Eager to publish,

need peer recognition

Value proposition A quality brand to be associated

with where you'll be noticed by the

right people

Our Aim Customer development and

retention

Generate repeat usage

We offer Recognition

Marketing Mix – Programme 3



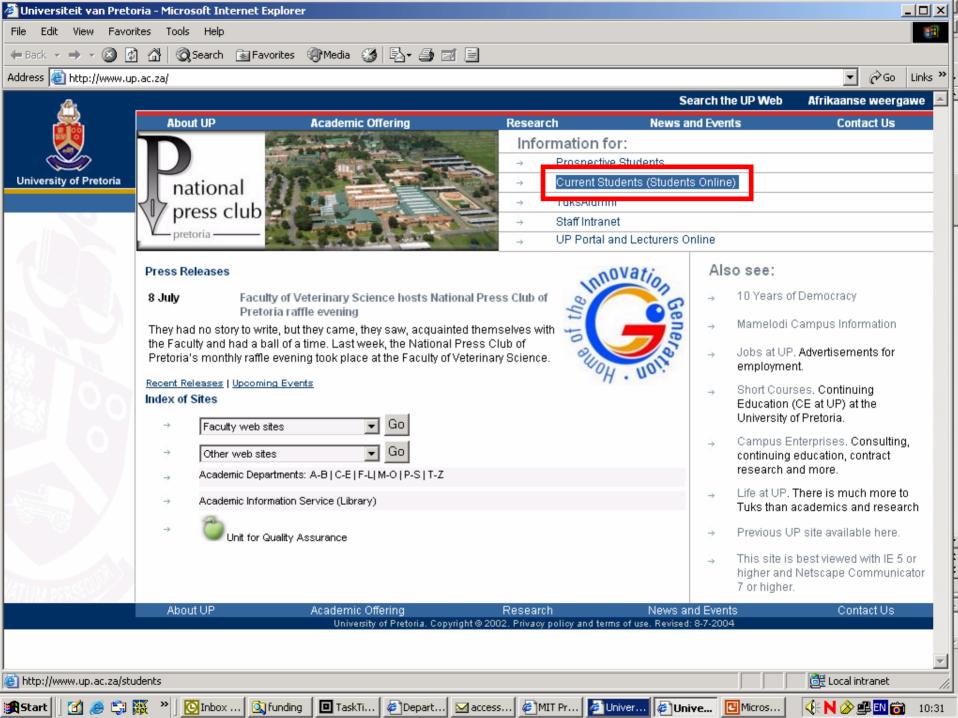
Product/Service	Alerts, Citation, Author gateway, searching, SD portals	
Price	Student fees, home internet cost	
Place / Channel	Web	
Promotion	Training workshop for authors, campus news, posters, listservs, newsletters, UPeTD (e-theses) listserv, e-mail, COP's, word of mouth, web postcards	
People	Information specialists, AIS web staff, converted promotors	
Physical Evidence	SD training manual on CD, SD portals, own articles	
Processes	Online help, after hours help desk	

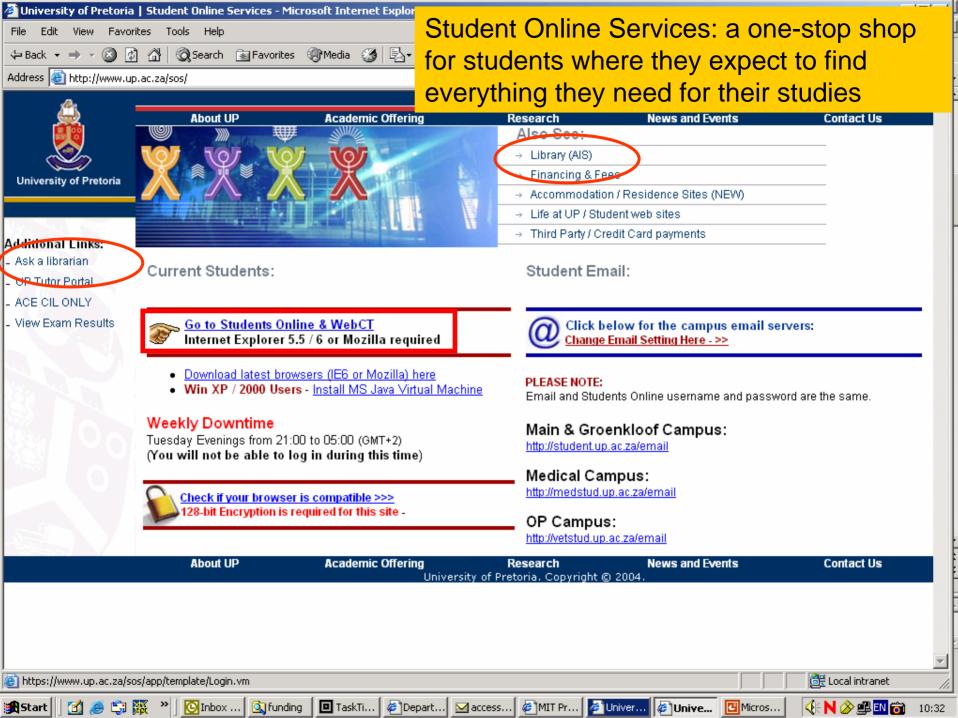
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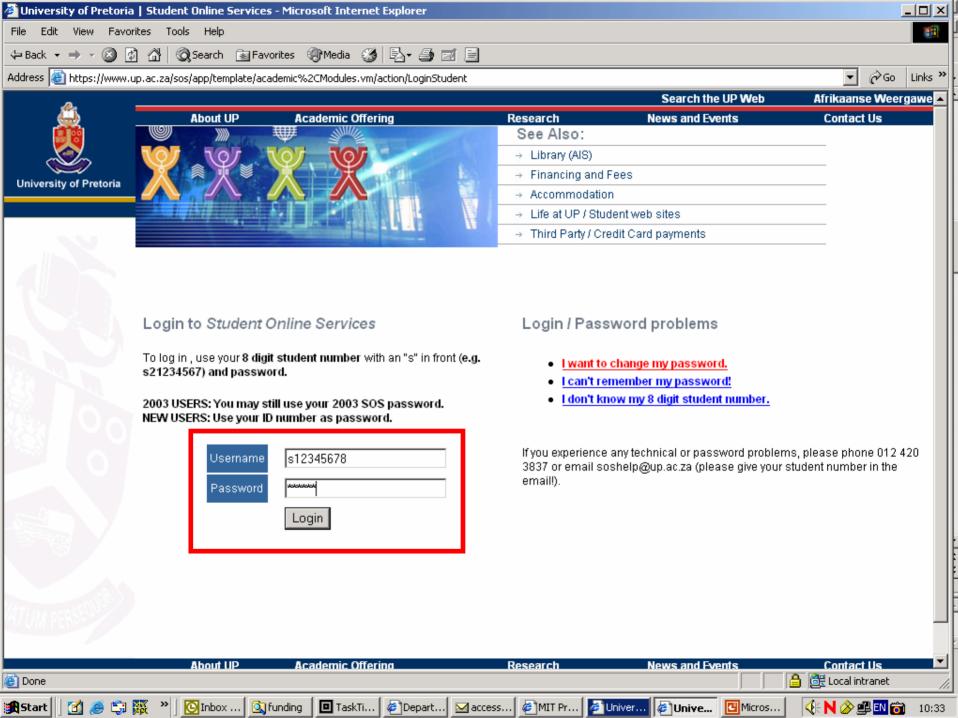
- E-learning is fast becoming a reality on many campuses, whether as part of a distance education programme or merely as a new way of doing things.
- Information needs to be packaged as an integral part of this offering.

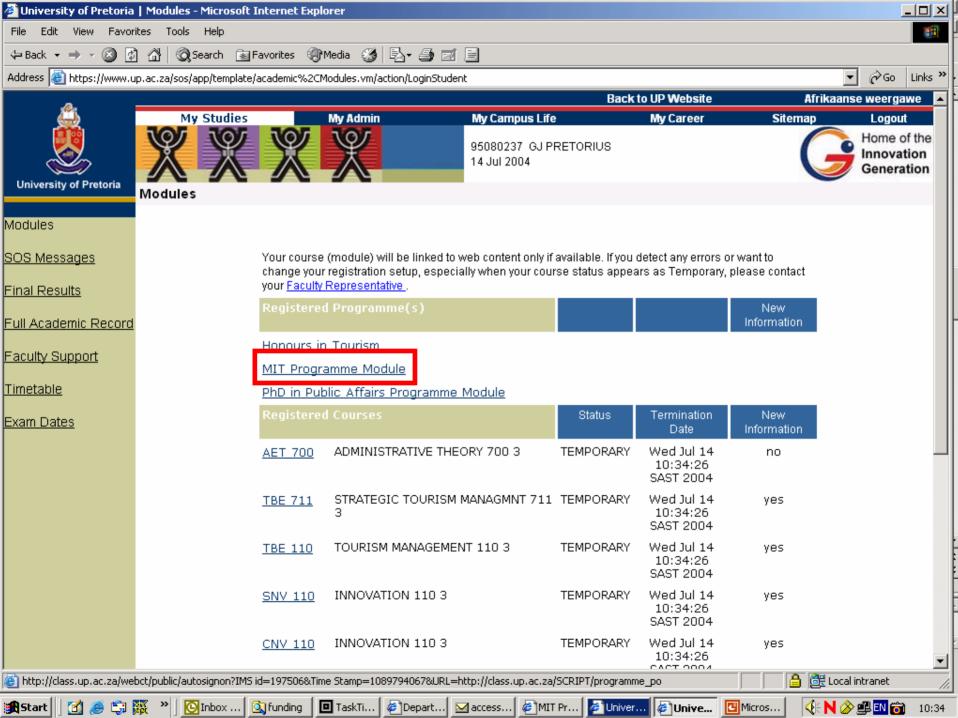
Example

An information package for a UP WebCT course

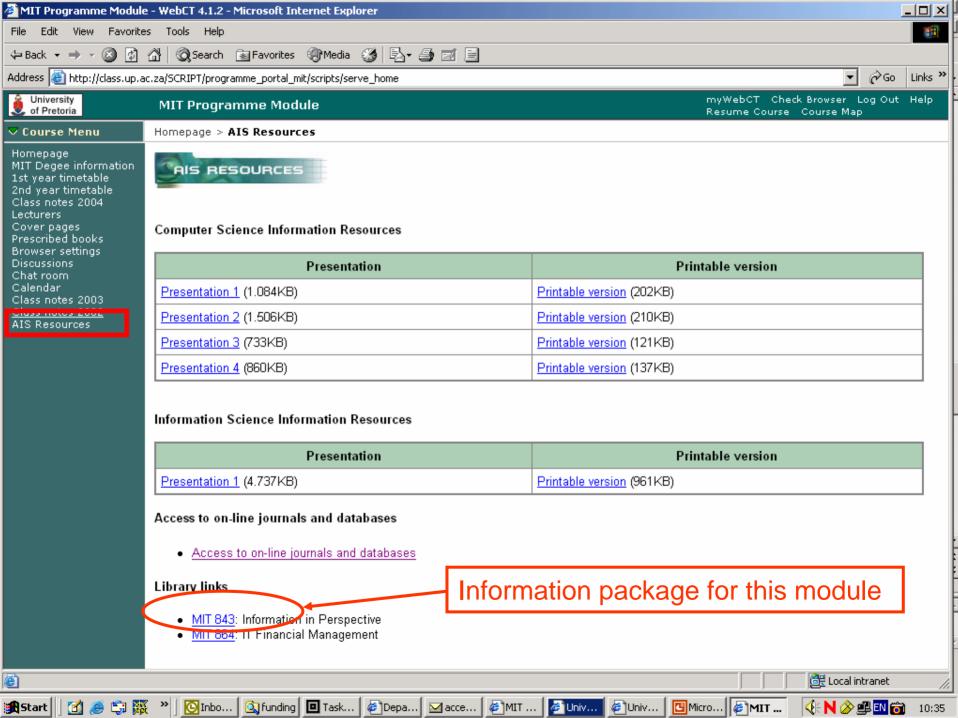


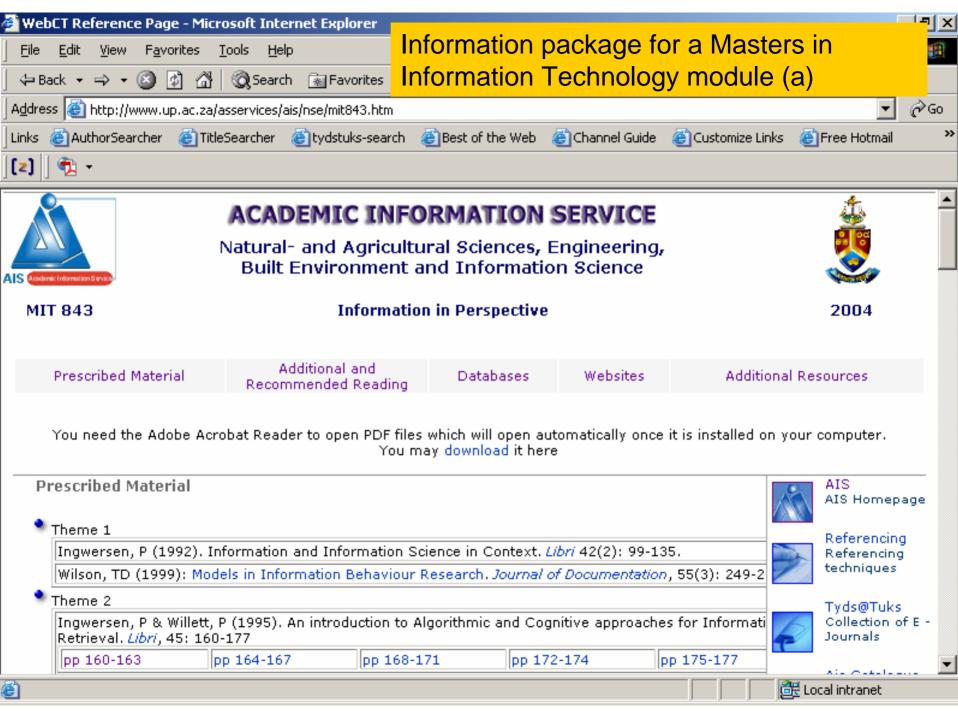


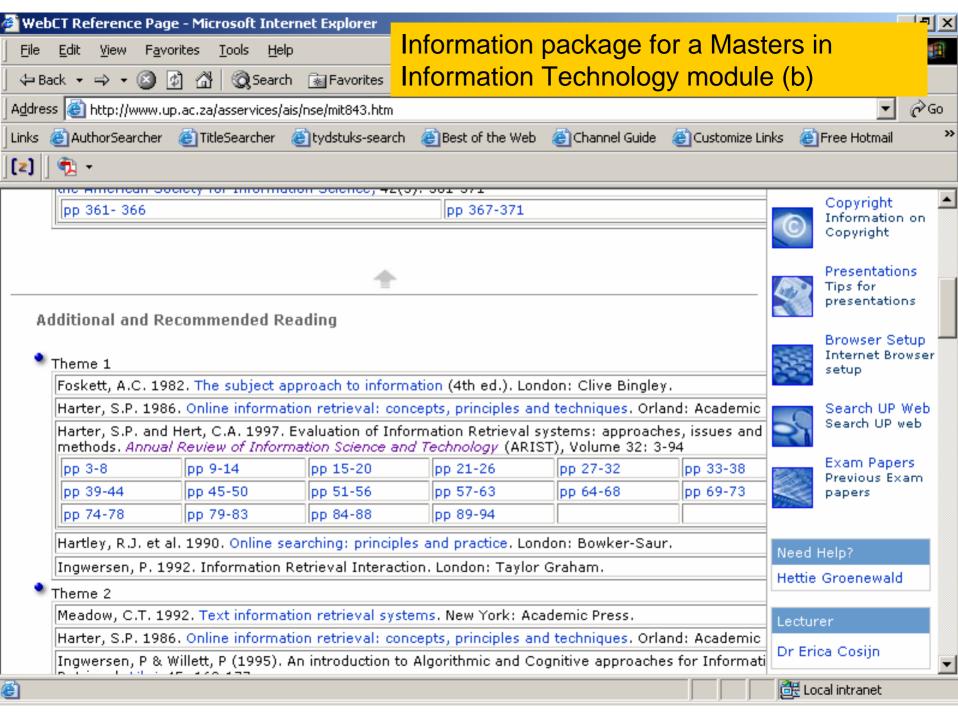


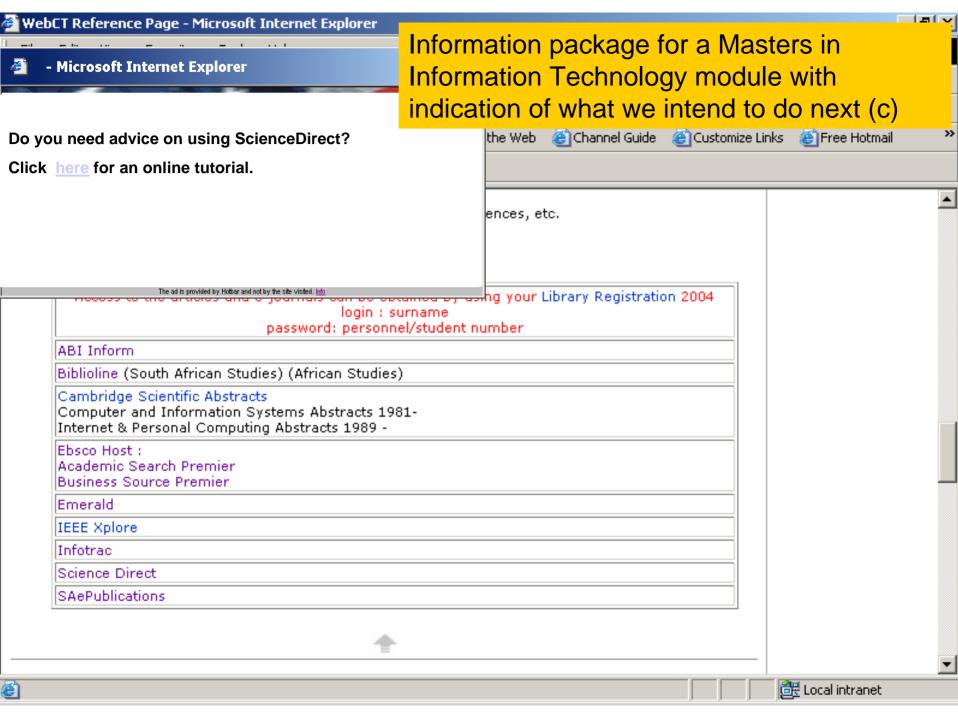


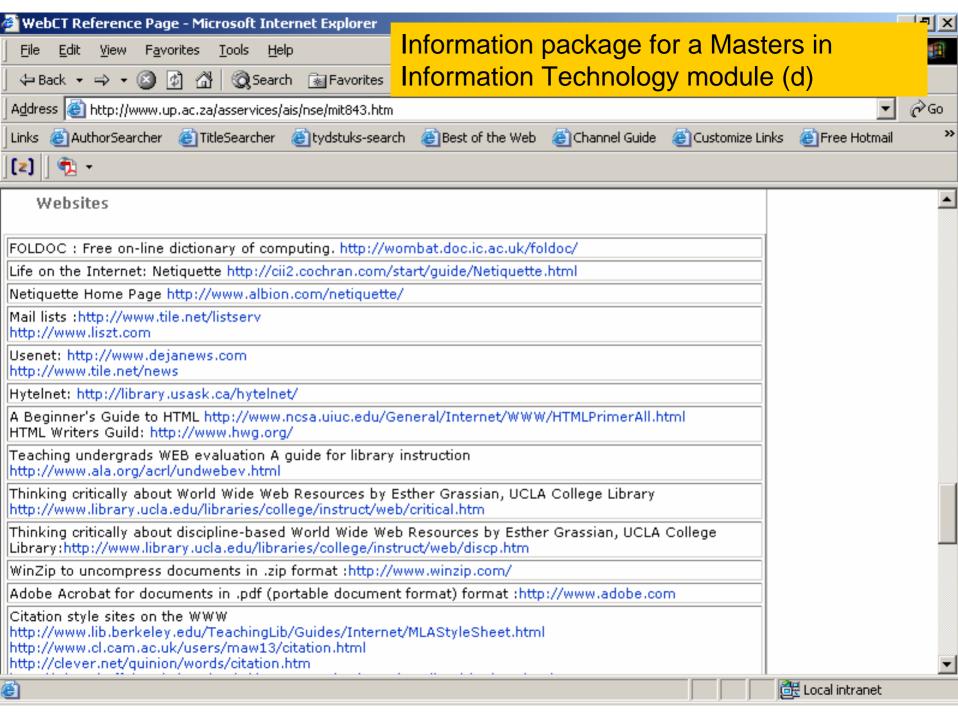


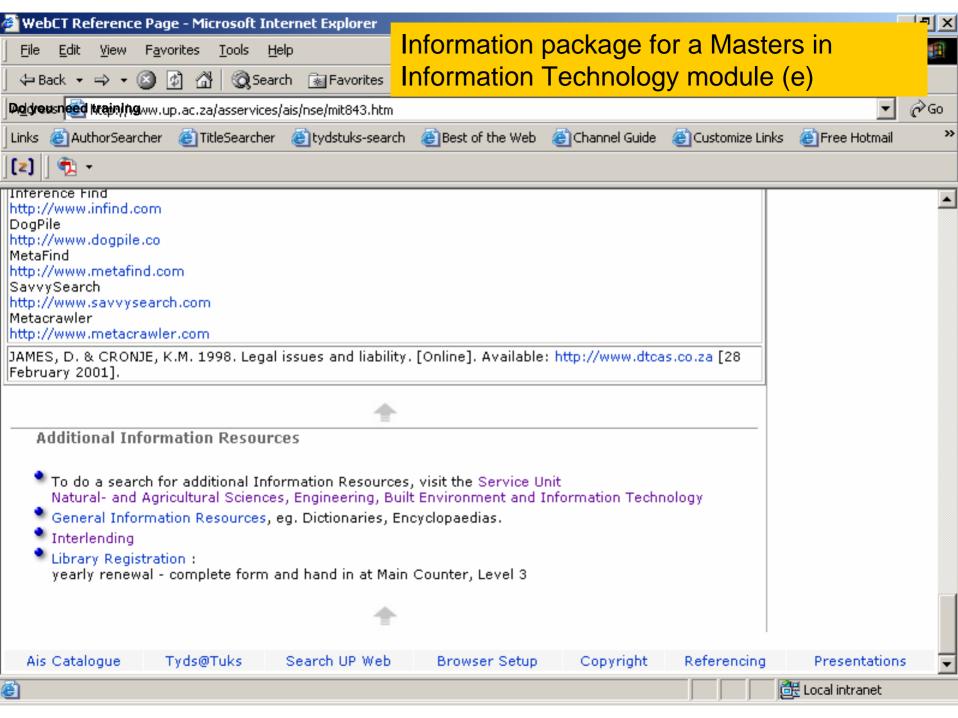












Clients have changed

- They belong to the "growing up digital" Net generation. They are used to sophisticated communication media such as TV and cell phones and the ubiquity of computers, although not necessarily in a library context.
- We should exploit this. The library should be presented as a good hang out for cool people and once they are inside our "doors" we can ensure that their study lives are enriched.

Example

The 2004 UP video to introduce our services to students with its supplementary material in a distinct SMS style.

My 5 best hints

- [1] Segment your clients in innovative ways.
- [2] Keep it simple.
- [3] Diminish information overload.
- [4] Provide help and training at point of need:

 Just in time Just enough Just for me.
- [5] Work towards seamless integration and make yourself indispensable in new ways and new settings.

Thank you for your time and attention!

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