

## Joint CReWMan & Connect/GradWorks Seminar

# **Innovations from Sun Microsystems (for 26 years)**

**Speaker: Conrad Geiger, SUN Microsystems**

**Date: Friday, February 8, 2008**

**Time: 10:00 - 11:30 AM**

**Venue: NH 110**

### **Abstract**

Since Sun's founding in 1982, they have continually focused on investing in technical talent to fulfill new ideas and deliver new, innovative technology. In doing so, Sun continues today to provide extra value for their customers as well as leadership in the area of open standards for the rest of the computing industry. Conrad Geiger will speak about recent innovative technology and ideas that have come from Sun that should be especially interesting and educational for all university and research customers. The topics covered during the talk will include industry leading software, storage, networking (including SUN SPOT wireless sensors) and computing systems components (including supercomputer implementation). Sun invests heavily in our education and research customer's future. Sun even offers free online software and hardware training classes for all of our university customers! Come and hear about these free offerings which will also be discussed.

### **Biography**

Conrad Geiger, Principal Engineer, first joined Sun Microsystems in 1987 in Seattle, Washington. He left Sun for a few years to work for a Steve Jobs startup: NeXT Computer which developed what is the basis for today's MacOS 10 at Apple.

Since 1994, Conrad has worked exclusively with Sun's education and research customers out of Sun's Austin, Texas facility. Conrad's largest

customer this year is the University of Texas at Austin who is now deploying the largest, publicly available supercomputing infrastructure at 500+ TeraFlops, all based on Sun's HPC products and innovative technology.

Prior to working for Sun, Conrad worked at IBM, NBI and Boeing. Conrad received his undergraduate degree from the University of Texas at Austin with additional studies at the University of Colorado and University of Washington.

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