October Newsletter

Hello and welcome to BCaT Lab’s October Newsletter! We have a series of exciting events planned for October and we hope you will join us.

October Events Registration
October in BCaT Lab

MONDAY - WEDNESDAY 10-3PM:
OPEN LAB HOURS

WEDNESDAY 11TH 3-5PM:
BCAT APPLIES:
THINKING ABOUT GRAD SCHOOL

WEDNESDAY 11TH 5-7PM:
BCAT EATS

WEDNESDAY LUNCHTIMES 12-1PM:
BCAT LEARNS:
RESEARCHING CHANGING
SOCIAL MEDIA LANDSCAPES

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Announcements
NEW LAB HOURS
Check out our expanded lab opening hours - as always, please feel free to drop by during open hours or during our Wednesday sessions to work or relax!

Podcast Room Sign-ups
OPEN MONDAYS 10-3

PODCASTING STUDIO
Our new podcasting studio is now available for bookings on Mondays.
First Look Fair

On **Tuesday, October 3rd** BCaT Lab will make its debut at UMD's First Look Fair taking place in the Adele Student Union Ballroom from **3pm to 7pm**. Stop by our table to hear more about what is happening in the BCaT lab and how to get involved!

October Lunch & Learn

Please join us for our Lunch and Learn series on **Wednesdays from 12pm to 1pm** as BCaT Lab hosts a series of lunch table discussions on ‘researching changing social media landscapes’. Bring your lunch and join us in the lab, or via Zoom! We will be joined by discussants from the DISCO Network and addressing topics including:

- Big data collection as a means to quantify lived experience
- Social media histories
- Adaptive methods of data collection
- Quantitative and qualitative analysis of social media
- Ethical considerations in social media research
- Restricted API access across social media platforms including X,
BCaT Learns, Applies, and Eats!

On Wednesday, October 11th, in addition to the Lunch and Learn from 12pm to 1pm, we will be preparing for the Association of Internet Researchers (AoIR) conference from 2pm to 3pm.

Then we will have a BCaT Applies session where we will be talking about applying for graduate school and navigating the application process from 3pm to 5pm.

Lastly, we will end the evening with BCaT Eats from 5-7pm: Join us for jollof and a games night, and expect some mildly aggressive dominos, spades, and Family Feud.
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