

## The Scholarly Internet (KMIR2)

Just as computers and coffee shops have invaded the once quiet space of academic libraries so the noise of the Internet is intruding on the once placid world of scholarly information at an alarming rate! But it's not all bad. The massive availability of text over the Net gives us unprecedented access to ideas and knowledge. After attending The Scholarly Internet you will be able to

- Search Google like a pro and understand what different search engines do
- Use directories of quality information as an alternative to googling everything
- See where academic information fits into the big web picture
- Compare the benefits of traditional publishing and the new open access models
- Power-search Google Scholar while realising its pitfalls and limitations
- Use Google Book Search to unlock the potential of massive online text
- Use Wikipedia wisely and without guilt
- Participate in international online networks whilst avoiding time-wasting and obnoxious bloggers
- Use rss feed technology to create a web space of your own favourite journal contents pages, newspapers and columnists, sports results, database search alerts, blog postings, library new books lists and almost anything else you can think of
- Talk about Web 2.0, wikis and blogs without embarrassment.

The Scholarly Internet is a very practical hands-on session and you will leave with some real skills you can apply straight away.