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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE October 2, 1998

Contact: Elaine Specter 773/794-2912

DEAN OF NORTHEASTERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY'S COLLEGE OF EDUCATION ELECTED PRESIDENT OF TWO PROMINENT EDUCATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS

Michael E. Carl, Ph.D., Dean of Northeastern Illinois University's College of Education, was recently elected President-Elect of the Illinois Association of Colleges for Teacher Education (IACTE) and President of the Illinois Association of Deans of Public Colleges of Education (IADPCE).

Carl will serve two years as President-Elect of IACTE before assuming the post as president.

IACTE, a state-wide organization affiliated with the American Association of Colleges for Teachers

Education, provides leadership in the advancement of school personnel preparation, and in the transformation of schooling. It is the principal professional association for college and university leaders with responsibility for educator preparation.

On July 1, 1999 through June 30, 2000, Carl will serve a one-year term as President of IADPCE, a state-wide organization that includes membership from all public colleges and universities, and prepares educational personnel for service in Illinois schools. The organization is a major voice for Illinois public colleges and universities.

Carl received his Ph.D. in Curriculum and Instruction Administration from the University of Oregon, his Master of Science Degree from Portland State University, and his Bachelor of Science Degree from Gonzaga University in Spokane, Washington.

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE October 8, 1998

Media Contact: Elaine Specter

(773) 794-2912

"THE FRONT PAGE" BY BEN HECHT AND CHARLES MACARTHUR FIRST PRODUCTION OF STAGE CENTER THEATRE'S 1998-99 SEASON OPENS OCTOBER 22 AT NORTHEASTERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY

"The Front Page," one of America's most endearing comedies, draws liberally on the antics that occur in the big-city press room of a Chicago newspaper. This is the first production in Northeastern Illinois University's (NEIU) Stage Center Theatre's 1998-99 season.

Written by Ben Hecht and Charles MacArthur, the plot delves into the working life of a reporter in the 1920s and the sometimes questionable manner in which newspaper editors get their stories, and politicians get their votes. The newsmen encounter con men, prostitutes, corrupt politicians, and a runaway convict. The play premiered in 1928 and was cited for its authenticity in an era where realism was prominent on the New York stage. The NEIU production is directed by Anna Antaramian, Associate Professor of Speech and Performing Arts.

The show runs Thursdays through Saturdays, October 22-24, 29-31, and November 5-7, at 7:30 p.m. at NEIU's Stage Center Theater, 5500 North St. Louis Avenue, Chicago (near Bryn Mawr and Central Park). Free parking is available in Lot "D" at the northwest corner of the campus. Look for the large blue and white sign that reads "Northeastern Illinois University."

Admission is \$8.00; senior citizens and students, \$6.00. For ticket information, call the Stage Center Box Office at (773) 794-6652.

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CAST LIST - "THE FRONT PAGE"

AVONDALE

Leigh Lovingood (Peggy Grant)

CHICAGO RIDGE

Tim Lia (Frank)

CRYSTAL LAKE

Larry Filas (Bensinger)

EDGEWATER

David Cora (Diamond Louis)

EVANSTON

Michael Foster Lehrer (Earl Williams)

GLENDALE HEIGHTS

Glenn Frail (Sheriff)

HERMOSA

Timothy Hughes (Walter)

HIGHLAND PARK

Ron Weiner (Mayor)

JEFFERSON PARK

Kimberly Sawyer (Mollie)

LAKEVIEW

Zachary Price (Endicott)

LINCOLNWOOD

Jill Soltysiak (Mrs. Schlosser)

LOGAN'SQUARE

Bill Hyland (Schwartz)

MORTON GROVE

Mike Schmidt (Wilson)

MT. PROSPECT

Judy Dunn (Mrs. Grant)

NORRIDGE

Joe Alaimo (Stage Manager)

NORTH CENTER

Frank Polancic (McCue)

NORTH PARK

Damon Popovich (Woodenshoes)

Bruce Urso (Pincus)

NORWOOD PARK

Ignacio Coello (Carl)

UPTOWN

Gary P. Cahill (Policeman)

Mike McNamara (Hildy)

Adrian Viccellio (Murphy)

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NORTHEASTERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY& THE COUNCIL OF EDUCATORS IN POLONIA HOLD RECEPTION CELEBRATING POLISH-AMERICAN HERITAGE MONTH FRIDAY, OCTOBER 23 FROM 7:00 P.M. TO 9:00 P.M.

In celebration of Polish-American Heritage Month, Northeastern Illinois University's (NEIU)

Office of Alumni Affairs and the Council of Educators in Polonia, will hold a wine and cheese reception on

Friday, October 23, from 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. in the university's Alumni Hall, 5500 North St. Louis

Avenue in Chicago. NEIU Alumni and the public are invited. Admission is free.

Among the special guests at the evening's festivities are Justice Mary Ann G. McMorrow, the first woman to serve in the Illinois Supreme Court, and Joyce Szarowicz, secretary general of the Polish Roman Catholic Union. The evening's entertainment includes a performance by a Chicago-based Polish dance troupe.

In addition to many of its graduates, another of NEIU's connections with the Polish-American community is Board of Trustees member, Edward G. Dykla, who is the National President of the Polish Roman Catholic Union of America. Among Dykla's numerous affiliations are: Chairman of the Board of the Polish Museum of America, and member of the European-American Advisory Committee of the Archdiocese of Chicago. He has received a multitude of honors from many organizations, among them, the Polish American Police Association and the Polish Welfare Association. He is also the recipient of the Order of Merit/Republic of Poland.

Free parking for the reception is available in designated level 2 parking lots (D, E, F, G, H) on the west side of the campus.

For further information and to confirm attendance, call Penny Sawczak, NEIU Office of Alumni Affairs, at 773-794-2892.

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SPECIAL TO CALENDAR LISTINGS October 15, 1998 Contact: Elaine Specter 773/794-2912

"FLAMENCO PASSION" BY ENSEMBLE ESPAÑOL SPANISH DANCE THEATER

PERFORMANCES OF DANCE, MUSIC & SONG

DECEMBER 11 & 12 AT NORTHEASTERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY

FRIDAY & SATURDAY, DECEMBER 11 & 12, 8:00 P.M.

Ensemble Español Spanish Dance Theater, in residence at Northeastern Illinois University, Dame Libby Komaiko, director, presents "Flamenco Passion," an evening of Spanish dance, music and song to celebrate the holiday season. Guest artists from Spain and the Americas will join the Ensemble's full company of 35 dancers and musicians and the All City "JR" Ensemble Español.

The concert includes premieres by Dame Komaiko and highlights from the company's extensive repertoire, featuring music by Albeniz and DeFalla and a full Flamenco Cuadro.

Guest musicians include singers "Maria Elena "La Cordobesa," and Paco Fonta; guitarists Greg Wolfe, Paco Fonta, Mateo and Hector Fernandez; and percussionist Mick LaBriola. Among the dancers are the company's first dancers Irma Suarez Ruiz and Jorge Perez, and principal dancer Maria Cecilia.

LOCATION - Northeastern Illinois University's Auditorium, 5500 North St. Louis Avenue (near Bryn Mawr and Central Park). Free parking is available in parking lot "D" at the northwest corner of the campus. (Look for the large blue and white sign that reads "Northeastern Illinois University").

PRICE - Admission is \$21.00; senior citizens and students, \$19.00; children under 12, \$16.00. Group rates are available.

PHONE - To charge-by-phone, call (773) 794-2538

For more information and group rates, call the dance office at (773) 583-4050, ext. 3015.



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MEDIA ALERT/PHOTO OP October 16, 1998

Contact: Elaine Specter 773/794-2912

UNITED STATES CONGRESSMAN DANNY DAVIS IS GUEST SPEAKER AT "EQUITY IN ACTION: AFFIRMATIVE ACTION ISSUES" PROGRAM HOSTED BY NORTHEASTERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY - OCTOBER 19

WHO: United States Congressman Danny K. Davis, 7th Congressional District, will talk

on "Continuing the Call for Enlightened Leadership: A Choice or Echo."

WHEN: Monday, October 19, at 11:00 a.m.

WHAT: The fourth annual "Equity in Action Program," hosted by Northeastern Illinois

University (NEIU), focusing on affirmative action issues with the theme "Continuing the Call for Enlightened Leadership: A Choice or Echo." The

program will be held Monday and Tuesday, October 19 and 20.

Among other discussions planned for two-day-long event are Diversity in the Workforce; Student Reactions to Affirmative Action in the Workplace; Transportation Issues for College Students with Disabilities; Violence Against Women: One reason for Affirmative Action for Women; and Affirmative Action

Issues: Representations of Lesbians and Gays in the Press.

Panelists and speakers include <u>Chicago Tribune</u> writer, Achy Obejas, who will speak on Monday, October 19, at 10:00 a.m. Other participants include NEIU faculty and staff, and guests from the business and academic community. All

programs are free and open to the public.

WHERE: Auditorium

Northeastern Illinois University

5500 North St. Louis Avenue in Chicago

PUBLIC

CONTACT: NEIU Department of Academic Development at 773/794-6258



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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE October 26, 1998

Contact: Elaine Specter 773/794-2912

STUDENT DANCE CONCERT FEATURING CHOREOGRAPHY IN A VARIETY OF STYLES

BY FACULTY, STUDENT AND GUESTS

AT NORTHEASTERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 13

A student dance concert, sponsored by Northeastern Illinois University's (NEIU) Department of Music and the Dance Program, will be presented in the university's auditorium on Friday, November 13, at 8:00 p.m.

The program includes choreography in a variety of styles by current and guest faculty members as well as works by student choreographers. Danny Diallo Hinds, artistic director of Sundance Production, a guest faculty member at NEIU this year, will provide a suite of Afrikan dances. Dame Libby Komaiko, artistic director of Ensemble Español Spanish Dance Theater, will present "Flamenco Ole," a suite of Flamenco dances including tangos, bulerias, alegrias, rumbas and sevillanas. In addition, the program will include works by student choreographers in a variety of dance styles, including modern, jazz and Spanish dance.

NEIU is located at 5500 North St. Louis Avenue, Chicago (near Bryn Mawr and Central Park). Free parking is available in Lot "D" at the northwest corner of the campus. (Look for the large blue and white sign that reads "Northeastern Illinois University.") Admission is \$8.00; senior citizens and students, \$5.00. For more information, contact Rachel Burton at 773/794-6138.

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE November 3, 1998

Contact: Elaine Specter 773/794-2912

SUSAN K. DOYLE APPOINTED DIRECTOR OF INSTITUTIONAL STUDIES AND PLANNING AT NORTHEASTERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY

Estela López, Provost and Vice President of Academic Affairs at Northeastern Illinois University (NEIU), is pleased to announce the appointment of Susan K. Doyle, Ph.D. as Director of Institutional Studies and Planning.

Doyle has served as Coordinator of the Assessment and Testing Center at the university since 1996. Prior to coming to NEIU, she was Program Supervisor for Evaluation and Planning for the State of Illinois, Bureau of Refugee and Immigrant Services. She has also served as a research associate and consultant in the area of assessment at DePaul University, and has taught intensive academic English to foreign and English as a Second Language undergraduate and graduate students at the community college and university levels.

Doyle has presented at national and local higher education conferences addressing the assessment and evaluation of student learning. Her research examines the assessment of student growth and development during college and the impact of college experiences on student outcomes, with special focus on non-traditional student populations.

She received her Ph.D. in Higher Education from the University of Illinois at Chicago and an M.A. in Linguistics from NEIU.

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UNIVERSITY RELATIONS 5500 NORTH ST. LOUIS AVENUE CHICAGO, ILLINOIS 60625-4699 773 / 583-4050, EXT. 3291

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE November 10, 1998 Media Contact: Elaine Specter 773/794-2912

"FLAMENCO PASSION" BY ENSEMBLE ESPAÑOL SPANISH DANCE THEATER
PERFORMANCES OF DANCE, MUSIC & SONG CELEBRATING THE HOLIDAY SEASON
DECEMBER 11 & 12 AT NORTHEASTERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY

Ensemble Español Spanish Dance Theater, the critically acclaimed Spanish dance company in residence at Northeastern Illinois University (NEIU), Dame Libby Komaiko, artistic director, presents "Flamenco Passion," an evening of Spanish dance, music and song to celebrate the holiday season, on Friday and Saturday, December 11 and 12 at 8:00 p.m. in NEIU's Auditorium.

Guest dancers and musicians from Spain and the Americas will join the Ensemble's full company of 50 dancers and musicians and the All City "JR" Ensemble. Dancers include Dame Komaiko, the company's first dancers Irma Suarez Ruiz and Jorge Perez, and principal dancer Maria Cecilia.

Guest musicians include flamenco singer Maria Elena "La Cordobesa"; flamenco singer and guitarist Paco Fonta; flamenco guitarists Greg Wolfe, Mateo and Hector Fernandez; and percussionist Mick LaBriola.

The holiday celebration opens with "Encanto Andaluz," an extravaganza showcasing Christmas carols and Villancicos from Spain with "Feria" Dances from Andalucia, staged and choreographed by Dame Komaiko, featuring the Ensemble's full company and joined by the Ames Middle School Choir directed by Gaye Klopack.

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Gala performances from the company's extensive repertory will include the "Fantasía Clásica," a suite of two dances choreographed by Dame Komaiko, that includes "Triana," from the "Suite Iberia" by Isaac Albeniz, and "Danza del Fuego," from the Zarzuela "Ben Amor" by Ruiz de Luna. Another piece, "Alma de Aragon" (la Jota Aragonesa - Folkloric style), with music by Tomas Breton and choreography by Paco Alonso, will also be performed.

The second half of the program, with several works choreographed by Dame Komaiko, include "Flamenco Passion," a full cuadro flamenco, with "Caracoles," and "Anda Jaleo," and two works after Maria Alba, "Clavos y Canela" and "El Garrotin." In addition "Rumbas por Fiesta," choreographed by Dame Komaiko and Jorge Perez; and "Bahia de Cadiz," choreographed by Irma Suarez Ruiz will be performed..

General admission is \$21.00; senior citizens and students, \$19.00; and children under 12, \$16.00.

NEIU is located at 5500 North St. Louis Avenue in Chicago. Free parking is available in parking lot "D" at the northwest corner of the campus near Bryn Mawr (5600 North) and Central Park (3600 West). Look for the large blue and white sign that reads "Northeastern Illinois University."

For charge-by-phone tickets, call (773) 794-2538. For group rates and more information, call the Ensemble Español office at (773) 583-4050, ext. 3015.

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE November 16, 1998 Contact: Elaine Specter 773/794-2912

REGISTER NOW FOR DANCE CLASSES FOR CHILDREN, TEENS, ADULTS OFFERED BY NORTHEASTERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY

Registration for the winter/spring session of dance classes for children, teenagers and adults, ages three and up begins Tuesday, December 1, and runs through the month of January.

The classes are offered by Northeastern Illinois University's (NEIU) Department of Music and the Dance Program.

Dance classes for children include Greative Movement, Creative Movement/Pre-Ballet, Ballet I and II, and Jazz/Hip-Hop for Kids. Classes for teens and adults include Ballet I and II, Jazz/Hip-Hop I and II, Pointe I, and Stretch and Strengthening for Dance.

Sessions begin Saturday, January 16, and run for 21 weeks through June 19. Classes meet on Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Saturdays. The cost per course is \$147.00. The fee is payable in two installments, with discounts available for students enrolled in multiple courses.

All dance classes will be held in the dance studio, located in the A-Wing, room113 at NEIU, 5500 North St. Louis Avenue (near Bryn Mawr and Central Park), Chicago.

For additional information, registration, or to receive a schedule of classes, contact Rachel Burton at (773) 794-6138.

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PUBLIC SERVICE ANNOUNCEMENT December 22, 1998

Contact: Elaine Specter 773/794-2912

AUDITIONS FOR ALL CITY JUNIOR ENSEMBLE ESPAÑOL AT NORTHEASTERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY - FRIDAY, JANUARY 29 AT 4:30 P.M.

- Ensemble Español Spanish Dance Theater, in residence at Northeastern Illinois

 University, will hold auditions for the ALL CITY JUNIOR ENSEMBLE ESPAÑOL for students grades 5 through 12 from Chicago area schools, on Friday, January 29 at 4:30 p.m., in the university's Dance Studio, 5500 North St. Louis, Chicago. A special preparatory class is offered on Friday, January 22. Call (773) 583-4050, extension 3015. That's (773) 583-4050, extension 3015.
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(L-R) Salme H. Steinberg, President of Northeastern Illinois University (NEIU) and Danny K. Davis, United States Congressman from the 7th Congressional District.

Congressman Davis was a keynote speaker at the recent "Equity in Action" program held at NEIU. The university hosted guests from many walks of life who joined students, faculty and staff in exploring issues on affirmative action with the theme "Continuing the Call for Enlightened Leadership: A Choice or Echo."



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(L-R) Murrell Duster, Dean of Academic Development at Northeastern Illinois University (NEIU) and Danny K. Davis, United States Congressman from the 7th Congressional District.

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(L-R) Salme H. Steinberg, President of Northeastern Illinois University (NEIU); Joyce Hieshima, NEIU Acting Associate Provost; Danny K. Davis, United States Congressman from the 7th Congressional District; Murrell Duster, NEIU Dean of Academic Development; and Ria Pinkston-McKee, Assistant to the Dean of Academic Development.

Congressman Davis holds a certificate of appreciation presented to him after his keynote address at the recent "Equity in Action" program held at NEIU. The university hosted guests from many walks of life who joined students, faculty and staff in exploring issues on affirmative action with the theme "Continuing the Call for Enlightened Leadership: A Choice or Echo."



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(L-R) Ria Pinkston-McKee, Assistant to the Dean of Academic Development at Northeastern Illinois University (NEIU); Danny K. Davis, United States Congressman from the 7th Congressional District; Salme H. Steinberg, NEIU President; Achy Obejas, staff writer, Chicago Tribune; and Murrell Duster, NEIU Dean of Academic Development.

Congressman Davis and Ms. Objejas were speakers at the recent "Equity in Action" program held at NEIU. The university hosted guests from many walks of life who joined students, faculty and staff in exploring issues on affirmative action with the theme "Continuing the Call for Enlightened Leadership: A Choice or Echo."



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(L-R) Ria Pinkston-McKee, Assistant to the Dean of Academic Development at Northeastern Illinois University (NEIU); Murrell Duster, NEIU Dean of Academic Development; Danny K. Davis, United States Congressman from the 7th Congressional District; Yasmin Ranney, Staff Secretary, NEIU office of Academic Development; and an unidentified NEIU student.

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(L-R standing) George Myrick, Diversity Consultant, Commonwealth Edison, Chicago; Arron Wyche, Program Manager for Multicultural Affairs, AEROTEK, Hanover Maryland; Charles F. Falk, Dean, Northeastern Illinois University's (NEIU) College of Business and Management; and Steven E. Kane, Vice President, Corporate Affairs, Baxter Healthcare Corporation and NEIU Foundation Board member.

(L-R seated) Betty Wilson, Director, Multicultural Education, Oak Park Board of Education, District 97; Sherlynn Reid, Director, Community Relations, Village of Oak Park; William Bonaparte, President and CEO Bonaparte Corporation; and Alice Smedstad, Vice President, Human Resources, Dominick's Finer Foods, Northlake.

The group participated in a panel discussion on "Diversity in the Workforce" at the recent "Equity in Action" program held at NEIU. The university hosted guests from many walks of life who joined students, faculty and staff in exploring issues on affirmative action with the theme "Continuing the Call for Enlightened Leadership: A Choice or Echo."



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PERFORMING ARTS EVENTS FOR FEBRUARY 1999

PRESENTED BY NORTHEASTERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY'S

DEPARTMENT OF MUSIC AND THE DANCE PROGRAM

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THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 11, 7:30, AUDITORIUM

Faculty concert featuring guitarist Brian Torosian in a tribute to the great Spanish guitarist, Andrés Segovia. Admission is free.

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 25 THROUGH SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 27, 8:00 P.M.; SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 28, 2:00 P.M., AUDITORIUM

The Ruth Page Dance Series presents a gala dance concert featuring Lane Alexander, Concert Dance, Inc., Melissa Thodos & Dancers, Cerqua/Rivera Art Experience, The Moose Project and Same Planet Different World. Admission is \$16.00; senior citizens and students, \$10.00. For more information, call (773) 794-6138; to charge tickets by phone, call (773) 794-2538.

TO: FROM: University Community

Community Affairs & Publications

DATE: December 1, 1998



FOR YOUR INFORMATION:

Polish Consul to Speak at Northeastern on Poland's Role in NATO

Sponsored by the NEIU Political Science Department and the Politics Club, Jacek Sawicz, consul, of the Consulate General of the Republic of Poland in Chicago, will speak on "The New European Security Dimension: Poland's Place in the Newly-Enlarged NATO," on Tuesday, December 1. The talk will be held in S-317 from 12:15-1:30 p.m. There will be a reception with light refreshments immediately following the presentation.

PRESS RELEASE

Foreign Language Lab - Northeastern Illinois University Department of Foreign Languages and Literatures Room A-133 5500 North Saint Louis Avenue Chicago, Illinois 60625

For more information contact: Thomas Griffin, Director, Foreign Language Lab - Northeastern Illinois University, 777.583.4050 ext. 3033u

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

CYBERSPACE IS MULTILINGUAL AND THE "NEIU" FOREIGN LANGUAGE LAB IS UP TO THE CHALLENGE.

On December 1, 1998 at 1:40 p.m. the Department of Foreign Languages and Literatures of Northeastern Illinois University will host a dedication ceremony for the newly upgraded Foreign Language Laboratory located in the A-Wing, Room A-133. Salme Steinberg, President of Northeastern, and Estela López, Provost, will be in attendance along with faculty, staff and students. A reception will follow.

The Department recently completed the installation of state-of-the-art Dell Optiplex IBM-compatible computers which greatly expand the lab's multimedia and Internet capabilities. With these new computers, students can use the latest multimedia foreign language tutorial CD-ROM software to learn cultural information about the language communities they are studying and to practice reading, writing, listening comprehension, and pronunciation. These programs combine interactive video, sound playback/recording and authentic samples of written and spoken language.

These new computers also allow access to advanced Internet technologies. For example, with the downloadable version of *Real Player*, students can listen to live video and radio news broadcasts or the latest musical releases from around the world. They can also view panoramic 3D images of historical monuments and tourist sites of many foreign countries using the latest version of Quick Time VR.

The computers are equipped with video capture cards which allow students to view cable TV broadcasts and video cassettes on their monitors. The lab console and audio cassette players allow students to hear TV and video programs as well.

The word processing program used in the lab has spelling dictionaries, thesaurus, and grammar check for various foreign languages. The computers are also equipped with software that allows students to view Web pages written in Chinese, Korean and Japanese. An orientation to the language lab, schedules, policies and learning activities for students' classes are distributed on the Internet through the lab's home page at www.neiu.edu/~flanglab.