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The following summarizes the status of standing committee actions and activities for the last 12 months:

**Annual Student Conference - June 2001:**

Council debated on whether to embed the student conference in the main CNS conference or not. The danger of the student conference getting lost within the main conference was weighed against the better opportunities for the students to meet with professionals of the industry. The student conference this year is embedded into the Annual CNS conference on a trial basis.

**Presentations:**

The UC and ECC committee planned to have an educational session at the Annual conference this year but since there will be a paper on distance learning (specifically George Bereznai's Nuclear Power Plant course) and a panel discussion on succession planning (where I will represent the UC), it was felt that another educational session was not warranted at this time.

**CANTEACH:**

The CANTEACH project is an AECL - CNS Universities Committee initiative began in early spring 2000 with the mandate to produce technical educational material on CANDU reactors. In the past year, 57 technical documents were added to the library and are available on-line at <http://canteach.mcmaster.ca>. This is only the tip of the iceberg. The CANTEACH Partners Agreement is currently circulating amongst 13 signatories which include the CNS, the utilities, AECL, the regulator and all universities with nuclear programs. In the upcoming year Hugues Bonin of RMC will be taking his research leave to work on reactor physics and fuel management for CANTEACH. Contributions, suggestions, advice, etc. would be most appreciated.

**Current focus:**

The main current activities of the Universities Committee for the upcoming year will remain the student conference and the CANTEACH project.