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The School of Information Studies at the University of Wisconsin–Milwaukee announces the addition of Dr. Rafael Capurro as Distinguished Researcher

Dr. Rafael Capurro has accepted an appointment as Distinguished Researcher in the area of information ethics.

As founder and director of the International Center for Information Ethics, Dr. Capurro is world-renowned for his work in ethics and information policy. He holds a doctorate in philosophy from Düsseldorf University, a post-doctoral teaching qualification in ethics and has done extensive research in the area of intercultural ethics, as well as bioethics, information management and the philosophy of media. His research has been published in prominent publications around the world. Dr. Capurro has also given lectures throughout the globe discussing the ethical impact that information technology has on human practice. For the past two years, he has served as the director of the Steinbeis-Transfer-Institute Information Ethics (STI-IE) in Karlsruhe, Germany. Most recently, Dr. Capurro gave a series of presentations in Japan on intercultural ethics and robotics.

Dr. Capurro, who is also a Senior Fellow at the Center for Information Policy Research (CIPR), will further enhance the school's reputation as a leader in the area of information ethics. With current faculty such as Drs. Peter Lor, Elizabeth Buchanan, Michael Zimmer, Dick Kawooya, Thomas Lipinski, and Dean Johannes Britz in place, the addition of Dr. Capurro raises SOIS to the next level.

“We’re very excited to have Dr. Capurro working in this capacity with us at SOIS,” said Dean Johannes Britz. “He brings a wealth of experience to an already sterling corps of academics. Dr. Capurro will work closely with the other researchers and students at SOIS to cement the school’s reputation in the area of information ethics. With the addition of Dr. Capurro, we are definitively one of the world’s premiere library and information science programs specializing in information ethics.”

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The School of Information Studies at the University of Wisconsin – Milwaukee offers several degrees and programs including the Bachelor of Science in Information Resources, Master of Library and Information Science (accredited by the American Library Association), and Ph.D. in Information Studies. With a growing student body of

more than 800, SOIS strives to meet the demand for information professionals at all levels in libraries, archives, corporations, government agencies, schools, and other institutions, and in higher education. SOIS is a leader in online education and currently enrolls students from all regions of the United States and from countries around the world. For more information about the school, its faculty, and its programs, see <http://www.uwm.edu/Dept/SOIS/> or call 1-888-349-3432.