## SE&T Colloquium Series-Fall 2017

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| Speaker  | Dr. Gary Lange<br>Department of Biology   |
| Title    | Avida-ED: Implementation of a Modeling Research Tool to Enhance Active, Outcome Oriented, Inquiry Driven Learning of Evolutionary Developmental Biology   |
| Abstract | The Avida-ED system is a software platform created by computer scientists, engineers, and biologists who have interest in the experimental study of digital organisms as a means to study concepts of evolutionary theory in biology. Scientists can use this tool to study how organisms evolve and examine questions related to the evolution of complex features. This platform is being tested as a teaching tool in several different classroom settings, including in BIOL 370 on our campus. This talk describes how Avida-ED functions, and how it is being used to increase the emphasis on active, outcome oriented learning of evolutionary developmental biology. |
| Date     | Tuesday, October 24   |
| Time     | 4:10-5:00pm   |
| Place    | Pioneer 240   |
|          | Refreshments will be served at 4:00pm.  |