Are you getting ready to write a manuscript, thesis or dissertation?
Are you tired of fighting with Word over figure and table placement and numbering?
Would you be interested in learning about an alternative method for document creation that relies on typesetting instead of word processing?

*If you answered “yes” to any of these questions (or you are just looking for something to do), you are cordially invited to attend the*

Bioengineering Department Seminar

**Using LaTeX for Theses and Dissertations**
(or How You Can Regrow Your Hair in 30 minutes)

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Why would you use *any program* other than MS Word to create a technical document?

Maybe the better question is: *Why would* anyone use MS Word to create a technical document?

If you have ever struggled with the idiosyncrasies of Word as you generate equations, number and position tables and figures, and compile bibliographies, maybe you should consider LaTeX. LaTeX is a document preparation system for high-quality typesetting. It is most often used for medium-to-large technical or scientific documents but it can be used for almost any form of publishing. LaTeX is not a word processor! Instead, LaTeX encourages authors not to worry too much about the appearance of their documents but to concentrate on getting the right content. LaTeX is based on the idea that it is better to leave document design to document designers, and to let authors get on with writing documents. In this seminar, the fundamentals of LaTeX will be presented. In addition, you will learn how to use “style sheets” for generating a perfectly formatted thesis or dissertation that complies with the new UT guidelines for theses and dissertations.

**Friday, February 12, 2010**
*12:00-1:00 pm, refreshments at 11:45 am*
*Nitschke Hall 1027 – Seminar Room*

*Free and open to all UT faculty, staff, and students*