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Physics professor to lead local use of computing network



Gordon Drake

Physics professor Gordon Drake has accepted a one-year term as site leader of the [Shared Hierarchical Academic Research Computing Network \(SHARCNET\)](#), effective July 1, Ranjana Bird, Vice-President Research, has announced.

Dr. Drake was involved in the initial proposal which led to the establishment of SHARCNET. He uses high performance computing in his own research dealing with atomic structure. In his new role, Drake will actively promote the use of high-performance computing in natural and physical sciences as well as in arts, social sciences, digital media and humanities.

He succeeds Pierre Boulos, to whom Dr. Bird said she was truly grateful: "Under his leadership SHARCNET membership and infrastructure has grown significantly