



Faculty *of* Engineering

## The 14<sup>th</sup> Annual Lynda Shaw Memorial Distinguished Guest Lecture

Presents  
*Invited Guest Speaker*

***Dr. Maria Klawe***  
*Dean of Engineering and Professor of Computer Science  
Princeton University*

### **Gender, Lies and Video Games: The Truth about Females and Computing**

*This talk explores how girls and women differ from boys and men in their uses of and attitudes towards computers and computing. From playing computer games to pursuing computing careers, the participation of females tends to be very low compared to that of males. Why is this? Opinions range from girls wanting to avoid the math and/or the geek image of programming to girls having better things to do with their lives. We discuss research findings on this issue, as well as initiatives designed to increase the participation of females in computing.*

***Lecture to be held  
Friday, November 12, 2004  
1:00 p.m.  
Spencer Engineering Building, Room 1059  
The University of Western Ontario***

Refreshments to follow