Call for Participation

The annual iConference brings together a broad spectrum of scholars and researchers concerned with critical information issues in contemporary society. With openness to new ideas and research fields, the iConference pushes the boundaries of information studies, explores core concepts and ideas, and creates new technological and conceptual configurations—all situated in interdisciplinary discourses.

iConference 2015 will feature a multitude of high quality peer-reviewed Papers, Posters, Sessions for Interaction and Engagement, and a student Social Media Expo sponsored by Microsoft Research. The three-day iConference will be preceded by a day of Workshops, and also features a Doctoral Colloquium and an Early Career Colloquium.

iConference 2015 will take place in sunny Southern California at the Newport Beach Marriott Hotel & Spa, located in Fashion Island—a beautiful and relaxing setting noted for recreation, shopping, and ocean views.

iConference 2015, the tenth in the conference series, is hosted by the Donald Bren School of Information and Computer Sciences at the University of California, Irvine.

The iConference is presented by the iSchools, a worldwide association of Information Schools dedicated to advancing the information field, and preparing students to meet the information challenges of the 21st Century. All information scholars, researchers, and practitioners are welcome.

Submission Information

Papers: There is no minimum or maximum length. Reviewers will weigh the contribution of a paper relative to its length. Papers should report research thoroughly but succinctly. A typical length is 5,000 to 6,000 words (prev. max length) but may be shorter if the contribution can be described in fewer pages—shorter, more focused papers (prev. called Notes) are encouraged. Two categories of submission: Completed Research and Early Work/Preliminary Results.

Submission deadline: September 5, 2014

Posters: Present new work, preliminary results and designs, or educational projects; approx. 1,500 words.

Submission deadline: October 10, 2014

Sessions for Interaction and Engagement: Can include panels, fishbowls, performances, storytelling, roundtable discussions, wildcard sessions, demos/exhibitions, and more. All should be highly participatory, informal, engaging, and pluralistic.

Submission deadline: October 10, 2014

Doctoral Dissertation Award: Recognizes the outstanding dissertation of the preceding year. This competition is open to all member iSchools.

Submission deadline: September 15, 2014

Detailed submission and notification information is available at: ischools.org/the-icconference.

The proceedings will be published in the IDEALS open repository.

Workshops: Can be half- or full-day and can focus on any area related to the conference theme (Create - Collaborate - Celebrate) or more broadly in the purview of the iSchools, namely, the relationships among information, people, and technology.

Submission deadline: September 26, 2014

Doctoral Colloquium: Provides doctoral students the opportunity to present their work to senior faculty and engage with one another in a setting that fosters the fullest of intellectual exchanges.

Application deadline: September 12, 2014

Social Media Expo: Student teams conduct a specific research, design, development, or community-engagement project, and submit the results. Selected teams will receive funds to help offset the cost of attending the iConference. Faculty are encouraged to incorporate the Expo into coursework. Open to all member iSchools. Sponsored by Microsoft Research.

Letter of Intent due: October 15, 2014

Submission deadline: December 15, 2014

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