CALL FOR PARTICIPATION
Doctoral Colloquium at the 2017 Annual Meeting of the Association of Information Science and Technology
Crystal City, Virginia
Tuesday, October 31, 2017 8:30-12:30

We invite doctoral students to participate in the 2017 ASIS&T Doctoral Colloquium, which will take place as part of the 2017 Annual Meeting of the Association of Information Science and Technology in Crystal City, Virginia. This half-day event is intended for those of you in the later stages of your dissertation research; this means that you are, for example, post-proposal, or have a completed research design, or have begun data collection. Pre-proposal students will also be considered. If you are accepted for the Doctoral Colloquium, your conference fee will be waived.

The 2017 ASIS&T Doctoral Colloquium are to provide you with a supportive and critical learning opportunity to discuss your work in progress (or completed work, if you have defended your dissertation before the conference), highlight theoretical and methodological problems/issues for further discussion and inquiry both with senior mentors and Colloquium participants. In your one-on-one session with your senior faculty mentor, you will have the opportunity to receive feedback and comments about your work. There will also be an opportunity for an open discussion session where you can ask the doctoral mentors questions about career, the job search, managing an academic career, and other topics of interest. Another goal of the Colloquium is to develop a supportive community within which you can begin to develop your professional network by interacting with peers and senior scholars in information science. The organizers will invite a group of prominent professors and experts to serve as mentors during the Doctoral Colloquium.

To benefit from the Doctoral Colloquium, you should be a PhD student, and be in the post-proposal stage of your dissertation research or have a completed research design, or have begun data collection; this way, participants and mentors may be of help in shaping and framing the research and analysis activities. Pre-proposal students will also be considered.

How to submit
Submit your completed proposal to the conference review system at:

https://www.conftool.com/asist2017/

All proposals submitted to the Doctoral Colloquium will undergo a thorough reviewing process with a view to providing detailed and constructive feedback. The Doctoral Colloquium program committee will select the best submissions for participation. The student winners of the proposal and dissertation of the year awards will be invited to the Colloquium without a submission. We expect to accept a total of 15 participants.

Submit a nomination letter from your advisor or chair and a five-page description (in English) of your PhD research proposal or dissertation project electronically via the conference submission system. Your description must address each of the following questions:

1. Problem statement: What is the problem that you are addressing?
2. Relevance: Why the problem is important?
3. Related work: How have others attempted to address this problem?
4. Research question(s): What are the research questions that you plan to address?
5. Approach: How are you planning to address your research questions?
6. Evaluation plan: How will you measure your success - faster/more accurate/less failures/etc.?
7. Preliminary results: Do you have any preliminary results that demonstrate that your approach is promising?
8. Implications: What are the theoretical, methodological and practical contributions of your work?

Additionally, all submissions must be single-author. Please acknowledge your PhD advisor(s) and other contributors in the Acknowledgements section. Your application statement will not be published. Students accepted to present at the Doctoral Colloquium must plan to attend the full Doctoral Colloquium on October 31, 2017 and the Student Awards session on November 1, 2017 in order to gain as much value as possible from the experience.
Important dates

Deadline for submission: July 14, 2017
Decisions made: August 25, 2017

If you have questions, please contact the Colloquium organizers

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