Student Collaborative in Health Informatics (SCHI);
and e-Health Conference 2008 Vancouver
present

The Student Research Symposium in e-Health and Health Informatics: A Virtual Reality

Sunday, May 4, 2008, 9am-4:00pm PST

Call for Papers

SCHI, is a working group of students enrolled in academic programs across Canada in e-Health and health informatics (HI). One of its goals is to develop a forum for the communication and sharing of ideas and research, potentially identifying opportunities for collaboration amongst students and faculty conducting investigation in the HI domain. SCHI is pleased to announce its **third Symposium**, which will be held on **May 4th, 2008**. Hosted by SCHI, the Ideas for Health Informatics lab at the University of Waterloo, and the e-Health Conference 2008 Vancouver, students will be provided with an opportunity to present their complete or in-progress research to a panel of experts and peers in the field. This Symposium will be facilitated by graduate students from SCHI.

Participants will be able to engage in the Symposium either:

a) Virtually over the Internet: **VIRTUAL CONFERENCE IS FREE** due to the support of our sponsor, the University of Waterloo; or

b) Onsite at the **e-Health Conference 2008 in Vancouver**. Students registered for the e-Health Conference 2008 may attend the on-site Symposium **FREE OF CHARGE**. Other registrants to e-Health Conference 2008 will be provided with access, through payment of their registration fees. On-site facilities will include a meeting room with a large screen and microphone. Light snacks and a full lunch will be provided to all attendees compliments of e-Health Conference 2008.

Further registration details for both onsite and virtual participants/presenters will be available shortly.

The Breeze® software application will be used to broadcast the conference across Canada or abroad (space limited). Presenters, expert panellists and participants will contribute virtually from a location of their choice with minimum technical requirements (high speed internet connection, microphone and Breeze® access codes).

The purpose of the Virtual Student Symposium is to provide a platform for presentation and discussion of original and innovative research in HI being conducted by Canadian students from any discipline. Presented research does not have to be complete at the time of presentation.

Who Should Attend?

- Undergraduate/Graduate students with an interest in e-Health/ Health Informatics
- Graduate students conducting research in e-Health/Health Informatics
- Graduate students conducting research in areas complementary to e-Health / Health Informatics
- Faculty members with expertise in e-Health/ Health Informatics
- Any faculty of graduate student interested in learning more about Canada's ongoing research in the field

DEADLINE

Submission of Abstracts (300 words): 1 March, 2008

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The abstract (maximum 300 words), should clearly outline how the work will benefit from exposure in this venue, indicate the aims, and if possible the conclusions, of the work to be described in the final paper. Preliminary or anticipated results or findings would be helpful for reviewing purposes. The abstract to be submitted should be of an original nature and not have been published in whole or part by any journal/publication. All abstracts will be published on the SCHI website at www.ehealthstudents.org with the participant's permission.

Confirmation of Acceptance: March 21st, 2008

All submitting authors will be notified by this date. Those accepted are expected to register online for the Student Research Symposium at www.ehealthstudents.org. Prior to the conference date presenters will provide a summary of their research for circulation to registrants and experts and a set of slides to support their oral presentation if they choose to use this medium.

Submission of Slides, April 20th, 2008

Ten minute slide presentations must be submitted two weeks prior to the colloquium. File format should be either PowerPoint (.ppt) or Mac equivalent.

PUBLICATION AND PRESENTATIONS

All accepted abstracts and papers for presentation will be published electronically in the Colloquium proceedings which will appear in electronic form on the SCHI website. Instructions and summary format will be forwarded to authors upon acceptance of the abstract.

The Selection Committee will review all papers using the following criteria:

- Significance of topic to e-Health or Health Informatics
- Quality of Scientific Content
- Originality or Innovativeness
- Clarity of communication

Authors submitting abstracts will be requested to provide permission to publish the abstract, summary paper, and slides on the SCHI website. Permission by the corresponding author will indicate approval has been gained by him/her from all authors.

LANGAUAGE

English is the official language and will be adopted in all the discussion, publications, and presentations. Strong verbal presentation skills are required to participate in this forum. Final confirmation of successful authors will be made following a phone discussion with conference organizers.

REGISTRATION FOR PARTICIPANTS

Virtual registration for this conference is free but limited due to software licensing. Onsite/virtual registration details will be available to all submitting authors and other interested parties on 1 March, 2008, via the website, www.ehealthstudents.org . ***Visit our site and add our News Section to your RSS feed to get the latest updates!!***

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