

ANNOUNCING PRE-AMCIS WORKSHOPS AND BIRDS-OF-A-FEATHER SESSIONS

You are invited to attend an exciting set of pre-AMCIS Workshops and Birds-of-a-Feather sessions scheduled for Thursday, August 14, 2008, the day before the opening of this year's AMCIS conference.

Workshops are being offered on a wide variety of topics, from curricular innovations to advanced research techniques. Each is led by an individual with extensive experience in the workshop topics. Many include hands-on sessions using participant laptops. Three of the workshops are being offered by AMCIS' sponsors, IBM and Microsoft.

Birds-of-a-Feather sessions are opportunities for those with common research or teaching interests to come together for an informal discussion led by one or more individuals with expertise in the area.

Each workshop or birds-of-a-feather session will last a half-day. There are both morning and afternoon sessions offered, so you are able to sign up for two if you would like. Although all of these sessions are free of charge to AMCIS attendees, registration is required to ensure that each session will be held in a room of adequate capacity. Sign up early because seats are limited!

You can register for workshops and Birds-of-a-feather sessions during the process of registering for AMCIS at <http://www.business.mcmaster.ca/amcis2008/registration.htm>.

If you have already registered for AMCIS and wish to add or change your workshop and birds-of-a-feather session selection, please email registrar@aisnet.org with your name, affiliation, and the name of the session you wish to add or change. Note that you will not be able to make these changes online after your initial registration session is finished, so that emailing the registrar will be necessary to adjust your plans.

Late additions:

We are happy to announce that two Microsoft-sponsored workshops were added to the program this week. Both sessions will acquaint the attendee with methods for using mashups in the classroom. Each is an independent session. You can attend one or both sessions. Consult the online program for their descriptions.

LISTING OF WORKSHOPS AND BIRDS-OF-A-FEATHER SESSIONS

Consult the online program for more information on each session at <http://amcis2008.abstractcentral.com/planner>.

MORNING WORKSHOPS AND BIRDS-OF-A-FEATHER SESSIONS: THURSDAY, AUGUST 14, 2008 8:30-12:00**IBM Workshop: 21st Century Skills for the Globally Integrated Enterprise**

Session Chair: Heather McClain

Microsoft Workshop: Using Mashups to Teach Introductory Programming Concepts

Session Chair: Mark Frydenberg

Workshop: Innov8: A Virtual World enters your Classroom

Session Chair: Bob Bostrom

Workshop: Structural Equation Modeling (SEM) Using SmartPLS Software: Analyzing Path Models Using Partial Least Squares (PLS) Based SEM

Session Chair: Geoffrey Hubona

Birds-of-a-Feather: Enterprise Systems Education: New Directions and Challenges for the Future

Session Chair: Brian Cameron

**AFTERNOON WORKSHOPS AND BIRDS-OF-A-FEATHER
SESSIONS: THURSDAY, AUGUST 14, 2008 1:00-5:00**

**Microsoft Workshop: Using Mashups to Introduce Web 2.0
Concepts**

Session Chair: Mark Frydenberg

**Workshop: Assessment of Student Learning: Keeping It
Simple**

Session Chair: Carolyn Jacobson

**Workshop: Designing and Implementing Effective
Information Security Curriculum**

Session Chairs: Michael Whitman and Herbert Mattord

**Workshop: Evaluating Information Systems and Collecting
Research Data with Morae**

Session Chairs: Joi Moore and Sanda Erdelez

**Birds-of-a-Feather: Analyzing Open Source Software
Projects: Challenges and Opportunities**

Session Chair: Uzma Raja

**Birds-of-a-Feather: Second Life, Facebook, and other
Virtual Social Networks: A BOF Session to Discuss
Research and Pedagogical Issues and Perspectives**

Session Chairs: Brian Mennecke, Natashi Veltri, Wafa Elgarah
and Anthony Townsend

We hope to see you in Toronto at these interesting pre-
conference sessions!

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Co-chairs, Workshops and Birds-of-a-feather sessions