CALL FOR PARTICIPATION

SIGITE 2018: 19th Annual Conference on IT Education

October 3 – 6, 2018

http://sigite2018.sigite.org/

The 19th Annual Conference on Information Technology Education will be hosted by Broward College and will take place at the Riverside Hotel, October 3-6, 2018. The conference is sponsored by the ACM Special Interest Group of Information Technology Education (SIGITE). The conference provides a forum for sharing and developing ideas relating to information technology research, education, applications, IT-industry-academia relationships, and our roles as professionals, educators, and advocates for the effective use of information technology. The Research in IT conference is now a track in SIGITE 2018.

Theme

The theme of SIGTE 2018 is "Innovate, Educate, and Create". The ability to inspire innovation and creativity comes from education. The conference theme seeks to showcase how educators from around the world use innovative techniques to prepare their graduates for the workplace. Information Technology in education needs a culture and SIGITE serves as its center. While the forts from Fort Lauderdale have disappeared, SIGITE 2018 will help spread new ideas into new frontiers. The aim of this conference is to link education to innovation and creativity.

Submissions: Due June 15, 2018

Submission site: https://csm.ist.rit.edu/index.php

All submissions will be made electronically and should use the ACM templates. A PDF or Word document should be submitted for all types of submissions. Panel and workshop proposals should include author information. All other submissions (papers, lightning talks, and posters) should be anonymous, with all author and other identifying information removed. Submissions must adhere to the page limits described below, and submissions that exceed the limits will be rejected without review. Authors must register for and attend the conference as specified below in order for their work to appear in the published proceedings.

Special Topics Tracks

This year we will feature two special topic tracks. The IT Research track will be for submissions that investigate, explore or expand on specific areas of information technology. These submissions may be works in process or conclusive works.

We are also featuring a track for PhD students who will be defending later in the year. This will be an opportunity for them to present their work to their peers and potential employers.

Papers

Submissions will be no longer than six double-column pages and will undergo a blind peer reviewing process. Authors will have approximately 30 minutes for their presentation, including the question and answer period. Accepted papers must be presented by at least one author and will be published in the conference proceedings.

Panels

Panels allow experts to discuss a current topic of interest in IT education or research. Panel organizers are responsible for selecting appropriate panelists to participate. A panel will normally have at most four panelists including the organizer. Panel submissions should include a list of panelists, their affiliations, a description of the topics, and a brief position statement from each panelist. All panelists are expected to attend the conference and participate in the panel. Panel proposals are limited to two pages and will be published in the conference proceedings.

Workshops

Workshops allow presenters to provide a hands-on exploration of a topic in which attendees are expected to actively participate. The workshop proposer is required to attend the conference. Workshop proposals are limited to two pages and will be published in the conference proceedings.

Lightning talks

Lightning talks present work currently in progress and for which authors are actively seeking feedback or short curricular, pedagogical, or research techniques of interest to the SIGITE community. Accepted lightning talks will be presented in a session where each author is given 10 minutes to present the work and obtain feedback. A one-page summary of the accepted lightning talks will be published in the conference proceedings.

Posters

Posters present work currently in progress and for which authors are actively seeking feedback. A one-page summary of the accepted posters will be published in the conference proceedings. Posters must be E-Size or smaller.

Other Information

Exhibits

Booths, opportunities for presentations, and/or space in the program will be made available to publishers, software houses, and other interested vendors who wish to sponsor SIGITE 2018. Interested parties are invited to contact the sponsorship chairs Hollis Greenberg (greenbergh1@wit.edu) and Dale Rowe (dale_rowe@byu.edu) for information about exhibiting at or sponsoring the conference.

Students

Students are encouraged to present papers at either conference. SIGITE will cover the conference registration and provide $500 toward expenses of attending the conference for the first 10 accepted student papers. Female students may apply for additional funding from the ACM-W organization, with the application procedure described here: https://women.acm.org/category/scholarship/.

Important dates

June 15, 2018: Paper, panel, workshop, lightning talk, and poster submissions due

July 15, 2018: Acceptance/rejection notification & reviewer feedback for papers, panels, and workshops
August 1, 2018: Final versions of papers, panels, workshops, lightning talks, and posters due
October 3 – 6, 2018: SIGITE 2018

AUTHORS TAKE NOTE: The official publication date is the date the proceedings are made available in the ACM Digital Library. This date may be up to two weeks prior to the first day of the conference. The official publication date affects the deadline for any patent filings related to published work.

Contact information

For questions about submissions, contact one of the program chairs: Bryan Goda (godab@uw.edu) or Dan Bogaard (dan.bogaard@rit.edu)

For questions about the conference location or logistics, contact the conference chair: Tom Ayers (tayers@broward.edu)