

Best Ph.D. Student Paper Awards

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Overview

INFORMS-Sim and ACM-SIGSIM award two Best Student Paper prizes among students close to graduation, and participating in the Ph.D. colloquium at WSC 2009. There will be two winners, and each award includes a sum of \$200. To qualify, your full paper must be accepted or invited for presentation in any of the regular conference sessions, and you must be the presenting author. Co-authorship is allowed, but the student must be the primary co-author (first author). Additionally, you must participate in both the presentation session, and the poster session. This will facilitate the judging process.

Eligibility of Candidates and Judging Criteria

Candidate papers will come from those submitted and accepted through the regular submission process for WSC 2009. In order to be qualified for the best student paper awards, you must be:

1. a student at the WSC conference dates. For example, you will qualify for the WSC 2009 awards if you graduate in December 2009 or later, but not if you graduated, say, in May 2009.
2. the primary and presenting author at the conference. You may be disqualified if the judges determine that you are not familiar enough with the work to be its primary author.
3. willing to participate in the Ph.D. colloquium, and showing your work in both the presentation session, and the poster session.

Judging

The judges of the awards will be the I-SIM and ACM-SIGSIM Ph.D. Colloquium committee members, and possibly others as determined by these committees. Input from colloquium audience members may also be sought.

The judges will attend the Ph.D. Colloquium and rank the finalists based on their papers and poster presentations. Candidates will be judged on the quality of the papers, as well as their interactions with the judges at the colloquium. A clear and concise presentation at the poster session establishing the relevance, importance and depth of the work will carry high weightage. The judges will jointly determine the two winners shortly after the conclusion of the Ph.D. Colloquium, and make appropriate notifications, including to the WSC General and/or Program Chairs.

Award Announcement

The announcement of the winners of the awards will be made at the WSC plenary session on Monday.

Questions

Please contact WSC 2009 Ph.D. Colloquium Chair Durk-Jouke van der Zee, University of Groningen, at d.j.van.der.zee@rug.nl with your enquiries.