



ITS 2014 Interactive Tabletops and Surfaces

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Call for Participation: Doctoral Symposium

The ITS Doctoral Symposium is a forum in which Ph.D. students can meet and discuss their work with each other and a panel of experienced Interactive Surface researchers in an informal and interactive setting.

Students should submit a paper that describes: the problem that the thesis aims to address; the broad approach and how it builds upon and goes beyond the most central of relevant previous work; the work completed and the plan for the full dissertation work. Completed work may be presented as an overview or highlighting a particularly important part in depth.

Doctoral Symposium papers will be published in the ITS conference companion distributed at the conference.

Each submission will be reviewed by both DC chairs to assess its suitability for the DC, as well as additional expert reviewers when necessary. This will be based on whether the work is sufficiently mature to present but still early enough for the student to benefit from the feedback and experience.

Accepted authors will present their work to the DC chairs and expert reviewers and participate in an intensive workshop around ITS research. They will have free registration. The Doctoral Symposium will take place at the conference venue on Sunday, November 16, 2014 (for accepted authors and invited experts only!).

Important Dates

- July 21, 5:00 p.m. PDT: Deadline for submissions
- August 22: Notifications
- September 17: Final Manuscript submission deadline

Submission

Every submission should include both an extended abstract (no more than six pages in ACM landscape format) and a draft poster design. You may also submit a video and you are encouraged to do so if this clarifies the work, as is often the case in ITS interfaces. The extended abstract should be in the SIGCHI extended abstract format. You can download Word and LaTeX templates from the [sigchi website](#).

Submissions should be converted to PDF and uploaded to the Precision Conference system at <https://precisionconference.com/~sigchi/> by 5:00 p.m. Pacific Daylight Time on July 21st.

Submissions must include a draft poster design, also in PDF format. This does not need to be a complete final version, but should give a sense of what is to be presented and allow for constructive feedback on the design and content. The doctoral symposium posters are intended for display along with the other posters at the conference, and so should follow the same guidelines as described here: <http://its2014.org/authors/posters/>. Posters will be shown during the main ITS poster session, and will not be used during the doctoral symposium itself.

Submissions (both abstract and poster) should not be anonymised for review.

Doctoral Symposium Co-Chairs

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Panel of Experts

Our panel of experts will include senior tabletop researchers, some with significant experience supervising PhD students in an academic environment, and others with significant industry research experience. The panel will be able to provide advice both about completing a doctorate degree, and about the job search which follows.