

AIS SIGHCI One-Year Report: 7/2005 - 6/2006

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with the Assistance of SIGHCI Advisors and Officers

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<http://sigs.aisnet.org/sighci>

SIGHCI is the Special Interest Group on Human-Computer Interaction affiliated with the Association for Information Systems (AIS).

1. MISSION & TOPICS

SIGHCI provides a forum for AIS members to discuss, develop, and promote a range of issues related to the history, reference disciplines, theories, practice, methodologies and techniques, new developments, and applications of the interaction between humans, information, technologies, and tasks, especially in the business, managerial, organizational, and cultural contexts.

SIGHCI's mission is twofold:

- To facilitate the exchange, development, communication, and dissemination of information among AIS members;
- To promote research related to human-computer interaction within business, managerial, and organizational contexts among AIS members and to the larger community of practitioners and scholars.

To fulfill our mission, SIGHCI is involved in several conferences and workshops. In the past year, SIGHCI has held an HCI track at HCII, AMCIS, the pre-ICIS workshop, ICIS, ECIS, and PACIS. The SIG has also been approved to have an HCI minitrack at HICSS2007.

2. OFFICERS, GOVERNANCE, AND BYLAWS

The office from July 2005 to June 2006 was as follows:

Advisory Board

Izak Benbasat, University of British Columbia
Jane Carey, Arizona State University West
Dennis Galletta, University of Pittsburgh
Sirkka Jarvenpaa, University of Texas-Austin
Joe Valacich, Washington State University
Jane Webster, Queen's University
Ping Zhang, Syracuse University

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Scott McCoy, College of William & Mary

Past Chair

Fiona Fui-Hoon Nah, Univ. of Nebraska-Lincoln

Chair-Elect

Traci Hess, Washington State University

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Vice Chair for Research Resources

Richard Downing, Rockhurst University

Vice Chair for Sponsorship

Tom Roberts, University of Kansas

Vice Chair for Teaching Resources

Jinwoo Kim, Yonsei University

Newsletter Editor

Na (Lina) Li, Syracuse University

Conf. Planning Chair: pre-ICIS HCI Workshop 2006

Traci Hess, Washington State University

Conf. Planning Chair: ECIS 2006

Scott McCoy, College of William and Mary

Conf. Planning Chair: PACIS 2006

Mun Yi, University of South Carolina

Conf. Planning Chair: AMCIS 2006

Matt Germonprez, U. of Wisconsin - Eau Claire

Conf. Planning Chairs for HICSS 2007

Joe Valacich, Washington State University

John Wells, Washington State University

Conf. Planning Chair: HCII 2007

Fiona Fui-Hoon Nah, Univ. of Nebraska-Lincoln

Webmaster

Veena Parboteeah, Washington State University

Listserv Manager

Ping Zhang, Syracuse University

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3. ACTIVITIES & ACCOMPLISHMENTS

Thanks to the high level of interest and support from enthusiastic SIG members, and the hard work of the organizing team, SIGHCI continues to be one of the largest and most active SIGs. In this limited space, we report the activities and accomplishments over the past year (July 2005 to June 2006).

3.1. Identity and Community Building

In keeping with the reporting manner of previous reports, our membership has grown to 458 members since the SIG's inception. However, only 153 of those members have current membership with AIS. In order to continue the success this SIG has experienced, it is important that all non-active members renew as soon as possible. The membership has a global impact representing over 30 countries and six continents. Our discussion listserv is also open to non-members and has 500+ subscribers (as of June 2006) from across the world.

3.2. Communications and Outreach and SIGHCI Sponsored Conferences/Meetings

In the past year, we have continued to promote the awareness of SIGHCI, to extend the identity and reputation of SIGHCI, and to promote dialogs with the MIS community and other related external parties. These activities were carried out using four levels of communications (see last year's report for more info): SIG-wide communication, promotion of HCI in the MIS community, dialog with other HCI associations, and connections with industry. For a summary of the meetings sponsored by SIGHCI, see table 1.

Table 1 summarizes these conferences/meetings.

Table 1. Summary of Meetings	
Pre-ICIS 2005, Las Vegas, NV	
Format	Workshop (1 day)
Chairs	McCoy, Hess
Program Chairs	Yi, Houston, Lowry
Local Committee	Jones, Hong
Advisors	Benbasat, Carey, Galletta, Jarvenpaa, Nah, Zhang, Zwass
# PC/reviewers	72
# Submissions	42
# Accepted	14
Acceptance Rate	33%
# Participants	70
Special events	Best paper and best reviewer awards, lunch & reception
Pre-ICIS 2006, Milwaukee, WI (under planning)	
Format	Workshop (1 day)
Chairs	Hess, Loiacono
Program Chairs	Lowry, Saeed, Wiedenbeck

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Pre-ICIS 2006, Milwaukee, WI (under planning)	
Local Committee	Jones, Germonprez
Advisors	Benbasat, Galletta, Lyytinen, McCoy, Nah, Valacich, Zhang,
# PC/reviewers	70
# Submissions	TBA
# Accepted	TBA
Acceptance Rate	TBA
# Participants	TBA
Special events	Best paper and best reviewer awards, lunch & reception
AMCIS 2005, Omaha, NE	
Format	Track with 7 minitracks (the main minitrack was the 2 nd largest at AMCIS)
Chairs	McCoy, Nah, Yi
# Submissions	56
Acceptance Rate	~67% as required by AMCIS
# Final Sessions	13
Special events	Business meeting
AMCIS 2006, Acapulco, Mexico	
Format	Track with 10 minitracks
Chairs	Germonprez, Hess, McCoy
# Submissions	71
Acceptance Rate	~60% as required by AMCIS
# Final Sessions	14
Special events	Business meeting/reception
PACIS 2006, Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia	
Format	Track
Chairs	Kim, Yi
# Submissions	16
Acceptance Rate	31%
# Accepted	5
HCI 2005, Las Vegas, NV	
Format	2 Sessions
Chairs	Nah, McCoy
# Accepted	13

3.3. Special Issues of Refereed Academic Journals

We are continuing the tradition of fast-tracking best completed research papers presented at SIGHCI sponsored meetings to top IS and HCI academic journals. The authors of best completed research papers were invited to submit expanded versions of their papers for consideration in these special issues. Papers that had successfully undergone the rigorous review process were selected for inclusion in these special issues.

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Table 2 shows the journals and special issues completed, in progress, or under planning over the past year.

Journal	Based on	Editors	Status
IJHCS	AMCIS 2005, PACIS 2005	Nah, Zhang, McCoy, Yi	Complete, September 2006
ISJ	AMCIS 2006, ECIS 2006, PACIS 2006	Russo, Germonprez, Hess, McCoy	In progress
JAIS	Pre-ICIS 2005	Galletta	In progress

3.4. Third Election of SIGHCI

Jane Carey, Dennis Galletta and Ping Zhang were appointed as the nominating/election committee by SIGHCI Chair, Scott McCoy, to help administer the third SIGHCI election for the position of SIG Chair-Elect. The election was completed in time for the third SIGHCI office to take effect on July 1, 2006. Weiyin Hong was elected as the new Chair-elect. Traci Hess became Chair for the new term.

4. SERVICES TO MEMBERS & COMMUNITIES

SIGHCI provides a range of services to its members (see <http://sigs.aisnet.org/sighci> for these services). In addition, the website has information about every aspect of SIGHCI, including the mission, bylaws, membership, listserv, conferences, newsletters, photo gallery, HCI related journals, research resources, teaching resources, other HCI associations, and SIG officers and contacts.

A special note about membership should be made. In a continued effort to expand our global reach, SIGHCI has established free membership for all PhD students and AIS members from non-rich countries. See the SIG website for more details.

5. SPECIAL ACKNOWLEDGEMENT & LOOKING FORWARD

It has been five years since the inception of SIGHCI. Due to the support of so many people, SIGHCI continues to be successful.

A special thanks to everyone who has contributed to SIGHCI in various ways, especially the officers and advisory board members. Under the leadership of Traci Hess and Weiyin Hong, SIGHCI will continue to provide excellent service to its members. We look forward to having more people come forward to contribute and increase their level of participation in the SIG.

Welcome New Officers and Advisors

Please welcome Fiona Fui-Hoon Nah as a new member of the SIGHCI Advisory Board, Weiyin Hong as Chair-Elect, and Robin Poston as Vice Chair for Sponsorship. Fiona assumes a position on the advisory board after five years of dedicated, outstanding service to SIGHCI. Both Weiyin and Robin have been actively involved with SIGHCI and will bring experience and enthusiasm to their new positions.

For a list of AIS SIGHCI officers and advisors, please see page 19 or visit http://sigs.aisnet.org/sighci/sig_officers/.

Special Acknowledgement

We are very grateful to Fiona Fui-Hoon Nah and Tom Roberts for their service to SIGHCI as they step down from their positions of Past-Chair and Vice Chair for Sponsorship, respectively.

Fiona co-founded SIGHCI in 2001 and has been instrumental in planning and implementing many SIGHCI events and activities for the past five years. She has served in the following positions: Executive Vice-Chair 2001-2004, Chair 2004-2005, AMCIS HCI Track Co-Chair 2004-2006, Program Co-Chair of the HCI/MIS workshop 2002-2004, organizer of the first SIGHCI sessions at HCII (2005), and co-editor of numerous SIGHCI sponsored special issues. Fiona continues to serve SIGHCI as member of the Advisory Board and as Conference Planning Chair for the HCI sessions at HCII 2007 to be held in Beijing, China. We thank you Fiona for your many contributions to SIGHCI and are very pleased that you will continue to serve as a SIGHCI leader.

Tom served as Vice Chair for Sponsorship from 2005-2006, and prior to holding this position he served as Vice Chair for Membership from 2003-2005. As Vice Chair for Sponsorship, Tom recruited several new sponsors for the SIGHCI workshop, securing increased financial support for the workshop and other SIGHCI activities. We have been fortunate to have Tom serving in these specific officer roles and as an active member and enthusiast for SIGHCI.

Traci Hess

On behalf of SIGHCI