

## CFP: iConference 2012 (Culture/Design/Society)

**Date :** August 4, 2011

The [iConference](#) is an annual gathering of a broad spectrum of scholars and researchers concerned about critical information issues in contemporary society. The iConference pushes the boundaries of information studies, explores core concepts and ideas, and creates new technological and conceptual configurations -- all situated in interdisciplinary discourses. These issues will be tackled during our four-day event in downtown Toronto, February 7-10, 2012. The conference theme is: Culture \* Design \* Society.

Please join us for a multitude of high quality papers, posters, workshops, along with interactive alternative events that will frame the conversation. In addition to these activities, there will be a Doctoral Colloquium and an Early Career Workshop at the conference, lots of social events, and many opportunities to mingle.

The iConference series is sponsored by the iSchools, a growing association of more than 30 Schools, Faculties and Colleges in North America, Europe and Asia -- however, affiliation with the iSchools is not a prerequisite, and we encourage everyone to participate.

\* Conference: <http://www.ischools.org/iConference12/2012index/>

\* iCaucus: <http://www.ischools.org/site/>

\* Last Year's Proceedings: <http://portal.acm.org/citation.cfm?id=1940761>

Submission types:

\* Papers: We're looking for original research, six to eight pages; papers will be refereed in a double-blind process, and accepted papers will be published in the ACM Digital Library.

Submission deadline: Monday September 12, 2011

Notification: Early November

Final version due: Monday December 5, 2011

\* Posters: We're interested in posters presenting new work, preliminary results and designs, or educational projects. Poster abstracts will undergo a blind review, and accepted posters will have their abstracts published in the ACM Digital Library.

Submission deadline: Monday September 26, 2011

Notification: Mid November

Final version due: Monday December 5, 2011

\* Workshops: These can be half- or full-day and can focus on any area within information.

Submission deadline: Monday September 19, 2011

Notification: Early October

Final version due: Monday October 31, 2011

\* Alternative Events: These can include panels, fishbowls, performances, storytelling, roundtable discussions, wildcard sessions, demos/exhibitions, and more. All should be highly participatory, informal, engaging and pluralistic.

Submission deadline: Monday September 19, 2011

Notification: Mid November

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\* Doctoral Colloquium: This year's colloquium will be organized around the theme of "inquiry." Applicants will submit a 1,000 word abstract addressing the question, "What is the nature of inquiry in the information field, what makes it similar to or different from other areas of research, and what challenges have you met in your own research in this regard?" Visit our website for details.

Application deadline: Friday September 30, 2011

Notification: Late November

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