

New Affiliates

NISS and SAMSI welcome the following organizations to the affiliates program:

- Bayer HealthCare; Allen Heller is representative.
- The Department of Biostatistics, Bioinformatics, and Biomathematics at Georgetown University; Françoise Seillier-Moiseiwitsch is representative.
- The Department of Statistics at Indiana University; Karen Kafadar is representative.

Affiliates Events

Exploration Workshop on Agent-Based Modeling: November 20-21, 2008 at NISS. *ARA ELIGIBLE.*

Details: http://www.niss.org/affiliates/agent-based-modeling200811/abm_home.html

Exploration Workshop on Financial Risk Modeling and Banking Regulations:

February 5-6, 2009, Washington DC. *ARA ELIGIBLE.*

2009 Affiliates Annual Meeting: Friday, April 24, 2009 in Storrs, CT.

The Department of Statistics at the University of Connecticut is hosting this event. The meeting will be followed on Saturday, April 25, by the 23rd New England Statistics Symposium.

2010 Affiliates Annual Meeting: April 2010 in Chicago, IL. The meeting is hosted by SPSS and other organizations.



SAMSI Events

2007-08 Program on Environmental Sensor Networks:

Transition Workshop—Progress and Challenges, October 20-21, 2008 at SAMSI. *ARA ELIGIBLE.*

Details: <http://www.samsi.info/workshops/index.shtml>

Registration Deadline: October 10, 2008

Blackwell-Tapia Conference:

November 14-15, 2008, at the Radisson Hotel RTP. *ARA ELIGIBLE.*

Details: <http://www.samsi.info/workshops/2008Blackwell-Tapia.shtml>

Registration and hotel deadline: October 31, 2008

2008-09 Program on Algebraic Methods in Systems Biology and Statistics:

Workshop on Discrete Models in Systems Biology, December 3-5, 2008 at SAMSI. *ARA ELIGIBLE.*

Details: <http://www.samsi.info/workshops/2008algebraic-discrete200812.shtml>

Registration Deadline: November 21, 2008

SAMSI Director Search

The search committee for the next director of SAMSI is beginning its work, with the goal that the new director will be in place by July 2010, in order to lead preparation of the proposal to renew SAMSI funding for 2012-17. The Directorship carries a tenured faculty position at one of

the SAMSI partner universities: Duke University, North Carolina State University, or the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill.

Members of the committee are: Stephen Fienberg (chair); Mary Ellen Bock; George Casella; Carlos Castillo-Chavez; Richard Durrett; Alan Karr; Thomas Manteuffel; Daniel Solomon; and Bin Yu. *The committee welcomes nominations from affiliates of candidates with vision, energy and experience.* These may be sent in confidence to Alan Karr (karr@niss.org), who will forward them to the committee chair.

NISS Events

Opening Ceremony for Building Addition: Ribbon-Cutting and Open House, 5:00-7:00 PM, Friday November 7, 2008, at NISS. *ARA ELIGIBLE.*

ITSEW 2009: The Concept of Total Survey Error—Uses and Abuses. June 14-17, 2009 in Tällberg, Sweden. *ARA ELIGIBLE.*



NISS Board of Trustees Affiliates Committee

In recognition of the centrality of the affiliates to NISS, the Board of Trustees maintains a standing Affiliates Committee.

Members are John Eltinge (Bureau of Labor Statistics), Jon Kettenring (Drew University), James Landwehr (Avaya Labs Research), Keith Soper (Merck), Cliff Spiegelman (Texas A&M) and Roy Whitmore (RTI International), with Lee Wilkinson (Systat) as chair. Regular NISS participants in the committee's monthly teleconferences are Alan Karr, Nell Sedransk and Jamie Nunnelly.

The committee plans to focus this year on NISS-affiliate communications, forming "clusters" of affiliates with common interests, selective expansion of the program and the 10th anniversary of the program, which takes place in 2010. Affiliates are welcome to suggest items for discussion by the committee: send e-mail to [Alan Karr](mailto:Alan.Karr) (karr@niss.org).

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