

International Chinese Statistical Association

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ICSA Member News May 2012

NEWS FOR ICSA

*ICSA Meeting and Announcement

ICSA 2012 Applied Statistics Symposium

International Chinese Statistics Association 2012 Applied Statistics Symposium will take place in Boston, June 23-June 26, at the Westin Waterfront, Boston, Massachusetts. Three world renown researchers, Bradley Efron (Stanford University), Andrew Lo (MIT) and Richard Simon (NCI), will be giving keynote presentations. The symposium will offer seven exciting short courses covering a variety of important areas including (1) Adaptive Clinical Trials (Sue-Jane Wang, FDA & Cyrus Mehta, Cytel and Harvard), (2) Causal Inference (James Robin, Harvard), (3) Analysis of Biomarker for Prediction (Patrick Heagerty, University of Washington), (4) Statistical Learning (Hao Helen Zhang, North Carolina State University), (5) Bayesian Clinical Trial Design (Peter Thall, M. D. Anderson), (6) Comparative Effectiveness Research (Constantine Gatsonis, Brown, and Sharon Lise Normand, Harvard), and (7) Analyses of Next Generation Sequence Studies (Xihong Lin, Harvard). **Deadline (April 30, 2012) for early registration has passed.** More information can be found at <http://www.icsa.org/2012/>

Members Meeting and Banquet at JSM in San Diego

The ICSA will hold the annual members meeting on August 1 (Wed) around 6 pm in San Diego Convention Center. During the meeting, the 2012 ICSA awards will be presented and the 2012 election results will be announced. An ICSA banquet will follow the members meeting at a local restaurant with a banquet speech and entertainment. Details will be available in the near future.

*Award and News

Board of Regents Announces Karl E. Peace recipient of Hall of Fame Alumni Award

The Jiann-Ping Hsu College of Public Health of Georgia Southern University (GSU) biostatistics professor and Georgia Cancer Coalition Distinguished Cancer Scholar, Karl Peace, Ph.D. was presented with the 2012 University System Board of Regents' Hall of Fame Award on March 31, 2012 in Atlanta. Peace was one of only three recipients to receive the honor.

The award was established by the Board of Regents to honor those who exemplify superb leadership and support of higher education in the state of Georgia. Recipients are nominated by their alma mater and are selected by an external panel based on their outstanding accomplishments and contributions to their institution.

ASA Announces the Karl E. Peace Award

The Karl E. Peace Award for Outstanding Statistical Contributions for the Betterment of Society, established in 2012, recognizes statisticians who have made substantial contributions to the statistical profession and to society in general. The award was established by Christopher K. Peace, son of Karl E. Peace, on behalf of the Peace family to honor the life work of his father.

Biopharmaceutical Applied Statistics Symposium to Offer Tutorials, Short Courses

The biopharmaceutical applied Statistics symposium, BASS XIX, will be held November 5–9 at the Mulberry Inn Suites in historic Savannah, Georgia. At least 16 one-hour tutorials on diverse topics pertinent to the research, clinical development, and regulation of pharmaceuticals will be presented from November 5–7 by speakers from academia, the pharmaceutical industry, and the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA). Four parallel two-day short courses will be presented November 7–9. Highlights of the symposium include the keynote address and reception on November 5 and the FDA biometrics session on November 7.

BASS is a nonprofit entity, sponsored by the department of biostatistics at Virginia Commonwealth University and the Jiann-Ping Hsu College of Public Health at Georgia Southern University. Its purpose is to raise funds for graduate fellowships in biostatistics. For more information, contact the BASS registrar at bass@georgiasouthern.edu or Karl E. Peace at kepeace@georgiasouthern.edu.

***ICSA Co-Sponsored Publications**

Statistics and Its Interface

Statistics and Its Interface is an international statistical journal promoting the interface between statistics and other disciplines including, but not limited to, biomedical sciences, geosciences, computer sciences, engineering, and social and behavioral sciences. The journal publishes high-quality articles in broad areas of statistical science, emphasizing substantive problems, sound statistical models and methods, clear and efficient computational algorithms, and insightful discussions of the motivating problems. Visit SII's web page

at <http://www.intlpress.com/SII/SII-BrowseJournal.php> for more information.

News from Sinica

All newly accepted Statistica Sinica manuscripts can now be referred to via their DOI numbers.

Forthcoming Papers from Statistica Sinica

Forthcoming papers' information is available at <http://www3.stat.sinica.edu.tw/statistica/>. Those papers are expected to appear in Volume 22, Number 3, October 2012

The April Issue Has Been Released!

Statistica Sinica has released the on-line version of the April issue. The newly-published articles are available for subscribers when clicking on Current Issue. ICOSA members please access those articles via the "membership only area" at <http://www.icsa.org/> . If you have any problems for subscription, please contact the editorial office through ss@stat.sinica.edu.tw.

***Job Listings**

The Hong Kong Polytechnic University

The Hong Kong Polytechnic University is the largest government-funded tertiary institution in Hong Kong in terms of student number. It offers programmes at various levels including Doctorate, Master's and Bachelor's degrees. It has a full-time academic staff strength of around 1,200. The total consolidated expenditure budget of the University is in excess of HK\$4 billion per year. Committed to academic excellence in a professional context, PolyU aspires to become a world-class university with an emphasis

on the application value of its programmes and research. Its vision is to become a leading university that excels in professional education, applied research and partnership for the betterment of Hong Kong, the nation and the world.

DEPARTMENT OF APPLIED MATHEMATICS

Head of Department of Applied Mathematics (Ref: 12022701)

The Department of Applied Mathematics (AMA) is part of the Faculty of Applied Science and Textiles. The Department offers undergraduate programmes in Investment Science, Actuarial Science and Statistics and Computing, and makes a significant contribution to most of the other academic programmes of the University by providing service teaching. It also offers a master programme in Applied Mathematics for Science and Technology with specialism in decision science and actuarial science. Members of the Department have expertise in applied optimization and optimal control, engineering mathematics and computational mathematics, operational research, financial mathematics and applied statistics. There are currently 43 academic staff and about 20 research personnel in the Department. Please visit the website at <http://www.polyu.edu.hk/ama> for more information about the Department.

Applicants should have (a) academic qualifications at doctoral level in Applied Mathematics / Mathematics / Statistics / Financial Mathematics or a closely related field, and evidence of eminent scholarship and substantial relevant experience in a senior academic position; (b) attainment of an academic rank of full professor or above at an internationally recognized university; (c) an international reputation in research and scholarship, including refereed publications and external grant application, in any one or more of the specialist areas of applied mathematics, computational mathematics, operations research, engineering mathematics, applied statistics and financial related mathematics; (d) a strong record in attracting research funding; (e) a demonstrated commitment to excellence in teaching; (f) a global perspective, proven qualities of academic leadership, and substantial administration/management experience

as well as the demonstrated ability to build up a strong team of faculty members with different research and cultural backgrounds; (g) effective interpersonal communication and resources management skills, and excellent adaptability to changes and challenges; and (h) good knowledge of the higher educational environment, preferably including Hong Kong.

Experience in fund-raising will be an additional advantage.

Remuneration and Conditions of Service

Terms of appointment and remuneration package are negotiable and highly competitive.

Application

Applicants are invited to send detailed curriculum vitae with names and addresses of three referees and direct any enquiries to the **Human Resources Office, 13/F, Li Ka Shing Tower, The Hong Kong Polytechnic University, Hung Hom, Kowloon, Hong Kong** [Fax: (852) 2764 3374; E-mail: hrscama@polyu.edu.hk], quoting position applied for and reference number. **Recruitment will continue until the position is filled. Initial consideration of applications will commence in May 2012.** Candidature may be obtained by nomination. The University reserves the right not to fill this post or to make an appointment by invitation. General information about the University is available on the University's Homepage <http://www.polyu.edu.hk> or from the Human Resources Office [Tel: (852) 2766 5306]. The University Personal Information Collection Statement for recruitment can be found at <http://www.polyu.edu.hk/hro/jobpics.htm>. More information can be found at <http://www.icsa.org/job/2012.html>.

Assistant, Associate, and Full Professor in Statistics or Econometrics

Located in downtown Beijing, the capital of China, Central University of Finance and Economics (CUFE), under the leadership of the Ministry of Education, is one of the leading comprehensive universities covering extensive disciplines in law, arts, sciences and engineering, and it is also distinguished in economics and management. It is one of the 100 universities to which the Chinese government has attached top priority for the 21st Century (211). Please visit <http://www.cufe.edu.cn> for more information.

School of Statistics, CUFE

School of Statistics was founded in 2006 at CUFE, while the special training and research programs in Statistics were introduced in 1951. School of Statistics has two national key disciplines, Statistics and Quantitative Economics. The School offers Bachelor, Master and Ph.D. programs in Statistics, and master and Ph.D. programs in Quantitative Economics. Please visit the website at <http://stat.cufe.edu.cn> for more information.

School of Statistics at CUFE invites applications for full-time tenure-track positions of all ranks (Assistant, Associate, and Full Professor) in all areas of statistics or econometrics to begin in the fall of 2012. Salary and benefits are competitive and commensurate with qualifications and experience.

Candidates are required to have a Ph.D. degree by September 2012 and should show outstanding research and teaching ability. Candidates for senior ranks should have a proven research record.

Application: Interested applicants should visit the webpage at <http://www.cufe.edu.cn/xyxx/zcggzt/28967.htm> , and upload his/her materials accordingly, or send curriculum vitae, letter of application, three letters of reference, and representative papers or publications by email.

Contact: Binghuan Mao, email: maobinghuan@gmail.com, phone: (8610)-62289149.

Academic Positions in Mathematics

The University of Macau is a leading higher educational institution in Macao and is making strides towards becoming internationally recognized for its excellence in teaching, research and service to the community. The university is growing rapidly with a number of new strategic initiatives including the relocation to a new campus. The new campus will be 20 times larger than the present one with a projected increase of 40% in student intake and faculty size. English is the University's working language.

The Department of Mathematics of the Faculty of Science and Technology invites applications for positions at all ranks and for all areas in **pure mathematics, applied mathematics and statistics**. More information can be found at <http://www.icsa.org/job/2011.html>

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The appointee will be required to (a) teach and contribute to curriculum development at undergraduate and postgraduate levels and supervise research students; (b) engage in scholarly research leading to publications in refereed journals and award of research grants; and (c) take part in the Department's administration and consultancy. The Department has established a Joint Research Institute with the Academy of Mathematics and System Sciences of the Chinese Academy of Sciences. The appointee is expected to be

actively involved in the activities of the Institute. Applicants should have (a) a doctoral degree in Statistics or a closely related field; (b) an established track record in research and scholarship, including refereed publications and external grant applications; (c) expertise in applied statistics; and (d) a demonstrated commitment to excellence in teaching and proven qualities of academic leadership. More information can be found at <http://www.icsa.org/job/2011.html> .

*Upcoming Workshops and Meetings

Conference on New Statistical Methods for Next-Generation Sequencing Data Analysis

May 11, 2012, Iowa State University, Ames, IA, USA

<http://www.stat.iastate.edu/Conference2012/>

Southeastern Probability Conference

May 14– May 15, 2012, Duke University & UNC Chapel Hill, NC, USA

<http://www.math.duke.edu/~rtd/SEPC12/SEPC2012.html>

Workshop on Analysis of High-Dimensional and Functional Data

May 19– May 20, 2012, Davis, CA, USA

<http://www.stat.ucdavis.edu/~mueller/peterhall2012/>

Thirty-Fifth Annual Midwest Biopharmaceutical Statistics Workshop (MBSW)

May 21– May 23, 2012, Muncie, IN, USA

<http://www.mbswonline.com/>

IMS FPS 2012: Workshop on Probability and Statistics in Finance

May 30– May 31, 2012, Berkeley, CA, USA

<http://ieor.berkeley.edu/~xinguo/IMSworkshop-FPS2012/>

Quality and Productivity Research Conference (QPRC)

June 4– June 7, 2012, Long Beach, CA, USA

<http://www.qprc2012.com/index.html>

IMS/ASA Spring Research Conference 2012: Enabling the
Interface between Statistics & Engineering

June 13– June 15, 2012, Boston, MA, USA

<http://www.stat.harvard.edu/SRC2012/>

The Second International Biostatistics Workshop of Jilin
University

June 17– June 20, 2012, Changchun, Jilin, China

<http://math.jlu.edu.cn/?mod=info&act=view&id=1391>

International Symposium on Business and Industrial Statistics
2012

June 17– June 21, 2012, Bangkok, Thailand

<http://www.isbis2012-thailand.org/>

The Second IMS Asia Pacific Rim Meetings

July 2– July 4, 2012, Tsukuba, Japan

<http://www.ims-aprm2012.org/>

Second Joint Biostatistics Symposium

July 7- July 9, 2012, Beijing, China

<http://icsa.org/meetings/co-sponsorship/AnnoucementEnglish10-22-11.pdf>

2012 International Pharmaceutical Statistics Workshop

July 10- July 12, 2012, Shanghai, China

<http://www.sfs.ecnu.edu.cn/2010SIBW/SIBW2010.html>

Joint Statistical Meetings 2012

July 28– August 2, 2012, San Diego, CA, USA

<http://www.amstat.org/meetings/jsm/2012/index.cfm>

Computational Advertising Summer Program

August 6– August 17, 2012, Research Triangle Park, NC, USA

<http://www.samsi.info/workshop/computational-advertising-august-6-17-2012>

Data-Driven Decisions in Healthcare Program Opening Workshop

August 26– August 29, 2012, Research Triangle Park, NC, USA

<http://www.samsi.info/workshop/2012-13-program-data-driven-decisions-healthcare-opening-workshop-%E2%80%93-august-26-29-2012>

Statistical and Computational Methodology for Massive Datasets Program Opening Workshop

September 9– September 12, 2012, Research Triangle, NC, USA

<http://www.samsi.info/workshop/opening-workshop-massive-datasets-program-september-9-12-2012>

BASS XIX 2012

November 5–November 9, 2012, Savannah, GA, USA

<http://bass.georgiasouthern.edu/>