

International Chinese Statistical Association

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## NEWS FOR ICOSA

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**ICSA calls for nomination of Pao-Lu Hsu award**

### About Pao-Lu Hsu Award :

The Pao-Lu Hsu Prize is presented every three years by the International Chinese Statistical Association (ICSA), usually at an ICSA conference, to an individual under the age of 50, who makes influential and fundamental contributions to any field of statistics and probability, and exemplifies Hsu's deep involvement in developing statistics and probability research with significant impact on education.

Hsu, who was born in 1910, was as a pioneer and founder of the newly formed discipline of statistics and probability in china. Hsu was best known for his rigorous research with depth and breadth, and for his profound impact on younger generations. He became the first professor of statistics and probability, Beijing University, in 1940. In 1948, he was elected to the very first class of Academicians of the Chinese Academy of Sciences. He published about 40 articles; see ``Pao-Lu Hsu Memorial Collection'' published by Peking University Press for more details.

The prize is open to all nationalities. Priorities are given to the candidates whose work contributes greatly to the research and education of Chinese statisticians. The award recipient will speak at an ICSA International Conference. The award includes \$3000 in cash prize.

### Eligibility:

An individual is eligible if he/she has not reached 51 years of age by January 1 following the year of nomination.

### Nomination Process:

Send the following materials to Award Committee Chair, Professor Xiaotong Shen, via email to the ICSA office [oicsa@icsa.org](mailto:oicsa@icsa.org) with the subject entitled "PL Hsu Award Nomination". Items below can be sent as pdf, ps or plain text attachments.

(A) Nomination letter which include the following information: nominator's name, mail/email address and phone number; nominee's name, date of birth, title, institutional affiliation, and contact information; a summary of the supportive evidences that are the basis for the nomination. The length of the nomination letter should not exceed 3 pages.

(B) Nominee's current CV.

(C) Three letters of recommendation.

**Deadline:**

All nominations must be received by February 28, 2012. Subsequent deadlines will be announced by the ICOSA.

**Additional Information:**

The ICOSA Pao-Lu Hsu Award Committee will review nominations. Nominators and the recipient will be notified by August 2012.

**ICOSA 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. Further information is not available as of the date of this posting. Please refer to the ICOSA website for information as it becomes available.

Information is available at <http://www.icsa.org/2012/>

**\*News from Statistics in Biosciences (SIB)**

We are happy to announce the publication of the 2011 first issue of Statistics in Biosciences (SIB), Special Issue on Statistical Methods for Comparative Effectiveness Research. This issue contains 7 articles of leading researchers in this area. Attached please find the Table of Contents (TOC) of the Issue. We would be grateful if you can forward the TOC to the colleagues in your institutes.

SIB is available online in many university libraries. ICOSA members can have free online access to SIB through the ICOSA website. You can also find the issue at <http://www.springerlink.com/content/1867-1764>.

As always, we encourage you to consider submitting papers to SIB. Thank you for your support.

**The December Issue Has Been Released!**

Statistics in Biosciences has released the on-line version of the December issue. The newly-published articles are available for subscribers when clicking on Current Issue. ICSA members please access those articles via the website at [:http://SpringerLink](http://SpringerLink).

### **Call for paper submission for Statistics in Biosciences Special Issue on Analysis of Next Generation Sequencing Data**

Next generation sequencing (NGS) technologies have generated unprecedented amounts of data that have the potential to lead to better understanding of fundamental biological processes, dissection of common human diseases, and diagnostic and prognostic methods. Despite these great opportunities, the analysis and interpretation of NGS data present many computational and statistical challenges. In the past several years, many statistical methods have been developed to address these challenges and the applications of some of these methods have led to some breakthroughs in biological and biomedical research. With very rapid advances in sequencing technologies, it is conceivable that the complete human genomes will be routinely collected in the near future and the very dynamic nature of transcriptome, protein-DNA interactions, protein-RNA interactions, and epigenetic changes will be analyzed at many time points and involving many different types of molecules. To facilitate exchanges of ideas and methods in this fascinating field, Statistics In Biosciences is planning a special issue on the statistical methods for NGS data. We welcome submissions on the development and applications of statistical methods for NGS data. Authors can submit their papers at the SIB website

The deadline is January 1, 2012. Please email the co-editor Hongyu Zhao if you have questions about this special issue.

#### **\*News from Statistica 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 1, January 2012

#### **The October Issue Has Been Released!**

Statistica Sinica has released the on-line version of the October issue. The newly-published articles are available for subscribers when clicking on Current Issue. ICSA 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](mailto:ss@stat.sinica.edu.tw).

#### **\*Senior Instructor of Rank Comparable to Associate Professor**

The Hong Kong University of Science and Technology (HKUST) invites applications for the position of a senior instructor in Business Statistics, beginning January 1, 2012. The Department of Information Systems, Business Statistics and Operations Management (ISOM) will accept applications until the position is filled. A PhD in statistics or a related area is required. Applicants with experience in teaching in MBA programs are particularly welcome. Applicants with less experience may be considered for appointment at the rank comparable to that of an Assistant Professor.

The successful applicant is expected to play an important role in teaching and developing business statistics courses for undergraduate and MBA programs of the School of Business and Management. Furthermore, the successful applicant will have opportunities to teach in various executive education programs and EMBA programs for additional income. Salary depends on qualifications/ experience and is comparable to that of an Associate Professor.

Special Instructions to Applicants: Applicants must submit a letter of application and curriculum vitae. Please arrange for three current letters of reference to be sent to: Search Committee (Statistics), Department of ISOM, School of Business and Management, HKUST, Clear Water Bay, HONG KONG. For inquiries, please email: [stat11@ust.hk](mailto:stat11@ust.hk).

### \*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.

## **UPCOMING WORKSHOPS AND MEETINGS**

### **Mathematical and Computational Approaches in High-Throughput Genomics**

September 12– December 16, 2011, Institute for Pure and Applied Mathematics, Los Angeles, CA, USA

<http://www.ipam.ucla.edu/programs/gen2011/>

### **The 67th Deming Conference on Applied Statistics**

December 5– December 9, 2011, Atlantic City, New Jersey, USA

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

**International Statistics Conference 2011**

December 28– December 30, 2011, Waters Edge, Capital City, Sri Lanka

<http://www.asasl.lk/>

**International Conference on Advances in Probability and Statistics - Theory and Applications: A Celebration of N. Balakrishnan's 30 years of Contributions to Statistics**

December 28– December 31, 2011, Hong Kong, China

<http://faculty.smu.edu/ngh/icaps2011.html>

**22nd Annual Conference of The International Environmetrics Society**

January 1– January 6, 2012, Hyderabad, INDIA

<http://www.ties2012.com/http://www.isical.ac.in/~cias/>

**Contemporary Issues and Applications of Statistics**

January 2– January 4, 2012, Kolkata, INDIA

**FEDERAL COMMITTEE ON STATISTICAL METHODOLOGY (FCSM) RESEARCH CONFERENCE**

January 10– January 12, 2012, Washington, DC, USA

<http://www.fcsm.gov/events/>

**Workshop on Casual Inference & Graphical Models**

January 13– January 14, 2012, Gainesville, Florida, USA

<http://www.stat.ufl.edu/symposium/2012/index.html>

**5th Annual Bayesian Biostatistics Conference**

January 23– January 25, 2012, Houston, Texas, USA

<http://biostatistics.mdanderson.org/BBC2012>

**2012 Conference on Statistical Practice**

February 16– February 18, 2012, Orlando, Florida, USA

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

**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/>

**Joint Statistical Meetings 2012**

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

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