

ICSA Member News September 2014

ICSA September Announcements

1. New Appointment of ICSA Springer Book Series Co-Editor

Professor [Ding-Geng \(Din\) Chen](#), Ph.D., of University of Rochester School of Nursing, has been appointed by the ICSA President as a co-editor for the ICSA Springer Book Series along with Dr. Jiahua Chen for the period of September 2014 to August 2019.

2. Registration for the Memorial Workshop for Professor Chin Long Chiang of UC Berkeley Opens Now

Professor [Chin Long Chiang](#), a pioneer in Biostatistics and ex-permanent ICSA member, passed away on April 1, 2014, seven months away from his 100th birthday on Nov. 12, 2014. The Berkeley Biostatistics Program, International Chinese Statistical Association, and ASA Bay Area Chapter are organizing a memorial workshop on **Nov. 15, 2014** to celebrate his life and contributions to biostatistics at Berkeley, California. Registration website opens now at <http://www.sfasa.org/DrChiangWorkshop/index.html>. Further information of the workshop can be found in the ICSA meeting announcements section.

3. 2015 Joint ICSA and Graybill Conference in Fort Collins, Colorado

The Joint ICSA Applied Statistics Symposium and Graybill Conference will be held from Sunday, June 14 to Wednesday, June 17, 2015 at Fort Collins, Colorado. Please send any inquiry to naitee.ting@boehringer-ingelheim.com. Further information can be found at <http://www.stat.colostate.edu/graybillconference/>.

4. ICSA Call for Nomination of 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.

The first Pao-Lu Hsu Award was announced in 2012 and presented in the 9th ICSA International Conference in Hong Kong, 2013. Professor [Jianqing Fan](#) (Princeton), Professor [Xiao-Li Meng](#) (Harvard), and Professor [Bin Yu](#) (UC Berkeley) shared the first ICSA Pao-Lu Hsu Award.

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

For the next PL Hsu award which will be given in the 10th ICSA International Conference in Shanghai, P.R. China in 2016, an individual is eligible if he/she was born on or after January 1, 1965.

Nomination Process

Send the following materials to Award Committee Chair, Professor Heping Zhang, via email to the ICSA office 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, 2015**. Subsequent deadlines will be announced by the ICSA.

Additional Information http://icsa.org/awards/pl_hsu.html

5. Applications for 2015 Lingzi Lu Memorial Award Opens Now

Through the Lingzi Lu Memorial Award, the ASA and the ICSA will support the studies of similarly dedicated people who are in master’s programs in statistics or who have recently earned their master’s degree in statistics. The hope is that in so doing, the award will honor not only the memory of Lingzi, but also the talented statistician she would have become. The award will

provide support for travel to the ASA's annual Conference on Statistical Practice (New Orleans, Feb 19-21, 2015). Visit the [ASA website](#) for information and an application form.

Nominations should be sent to the ASA office at pamela@amstat.org or 732 N. Washington Street, Alexandria, VA 22314 attention Award Nominations. The nomination deadline is October 15, 2014. If you have questions, please contact the committee chair.

Ivan Siu Fung Chan
Chair, Lingzi Lu Memorial Award
ivan_chan@merck.com

A Chinese version of the Lingzi Lu Memorial Award is in the following link: <http://cos.name/2014/08/lingzi-lu-memorial-award/>. Please feel free to distribute it to your colleagues in China.

6. Technometrics Special Issue on Big Data

Technometrics is organizing a special issue on Statistical Analysis of Big Data. This special issue will publish original high-quality papers that deal with all aspects of the statistical analysis of big data, including but not limited to (i) data visualization and exploratory data analysis, (ii) statistical computation, (iii) statistical modeling and inferences, and (iv) innovative applications.

Papers need to be prepared in accordance with the Technometrics standards and guidelines. All papers will be reviewed following the regular review procedure of Technometrics. Please submit your manuscript through the on-line Manuscript Central at <http://mc.manuscriptcentral.com/amstat>. Please select *Special Issue* under Manuscript Type of your submission. If you have difficulties, contact Editorial Coordinator Ms. Janet Wallace at

technometrics.office@gmail.com. The deadline for paper submission is November 1, 2014. The special issue is expected to publish in May 2016.

7. 2014 Quantitative Science Forum: Quantitative Drug Evaluation in and Beyond Clinical Trials

October 31- November 1, 2014, Beijing, Xinjiang Plaza, China

DIA and China Clinical Trial Statistics (CCTS) Working Group will hold the second "quantitative science forum" in 2014. The program Co-chairs are Professor Chen Feng and Dr. William Wang. Detailed information and online registration in the following link, <http://cn14957.eventdove.com/> or Contact DIA Project Manager: FEI Shu [010-57042653](tel:010-57042653) | Shu.fe@diachina.org

8. The World of Statistics

The world of statistics is the continuous campaign after the highly successful and world popular International Year of Statistics (Statistics2014). The latest News from the World of Statistics

newsletter is available at <http://www.worldofstatistics.org/>. Past newsletters can be reviewed at <http://www.worldofstatistics.org/participant-newsletter-archive/>.

ICSA 2014 Meeting Announcements

BASS XXI, 3-7 November 2014 in Rockville, MD

The Twenty First meeting of Biopharmaceutical Applied Statistics Symposium (BASS XXI) will be held 3-7 November, 2014, at the Crowne Plaza Washington D.C.- Rockville, 3 Research Ct., Rockville, MD 20850. At least 16 one-hour tutorials, on diverse topics pertinent to the research, clinical development and regulation of pharmaceuticals, will be presented 3-5 November, 2014, by speakers from academia, the pharmaceutical industry and the Food and Drug Administration (FDA). Two parallel, two-day short courses will be presented 6-7 November, 2014. Popular features of BASS XX are the keynote address, on Tuesday, 4 November, 2014, with reception following, and the Wednesday morning, 5 November, 2014, FDA Biometrics session.

BASS is a nonprofit entity established for the purpose of raising funding to support graduate studies in biostatistics. To date BASS has provided support to over 50 Master's or Doctorate degree graduate students in Biostatistics. For further information, contact the BASS registrar at Rewhitworth@gmail.com, Andreas Sashegyi at [317-532-7414](tel:317-532-7414), email aisasheg@lilly.com, or Karl Peace, [912-681-6980](tel:912-681-6980), email peacekarl@frontier.com. The BASS Webpage may be viewed at www.bassconference.org.

Memorial Workshop for Professor Chin Long Chiang's 100th Birthday, November 15, 2014 in Berkeley, CA

The Graduate Group in Biostatistics and the [International Chinese Statistical Association](#) (ICSA), joint with the [ASA San Francisco Bay Area Chapter](#), are proud to host an exciting event in celebration of the life and work of [Chin Long Chiang](#), one of the world's leading biostatisticians, and a UC Berkeley Professor Emeritus. The celebration will be held in the [University Club](#) at the California Memorial Stadium (located at 2227 Piedmont Ave, Berkeley, CA 94720) from 10:00am–6:00pm on Saturday, November 15, 2014.

Dr. Chiang was born in Ningbo, Zhejiang Province, China, on November 12, 1914. He received his doctorate in statistics from the University of California, Berkeley in 1953. He served on the U.C. Berkeley faculty for 36 years. For his “distinguished achievement” when he retired in 1987, the University honored him with “The Berkeley Citation” award, one of the highest honors that the Berkeley campus bestows. He continued to teach and lecture after his retirement.

In the 1950s, Professor Chiang was a pioneer in recognizing biostatistics as a separate discipline from statistics. He began to apply statistical methods to the world of health care and the study of diseases. One of his chief contributions was to develop a statistical method that could be applied to life tables, which measure life expectancy and mortality rates.

Professor Chiang's innovative use of statistics helped transform the health care field. He worked with the World Health Organization (WHO), the National Institutes of Health (NIH) and other national and international agencies. He was a Fellow of the American Statistical Association, of the Institute of Mathematical Statistics and of the Royal Statistical Society of London.

In addition to his many scientific articles, he authored four published books, two of which are about stochastic processes. Three of his books have been translated into Chinese and one into Japanese.

The memorial workshop features distinguished speakers, including of Stef Bertozzi (Dean, SPH, Berkeley), Steve Selvin (Berkeley), Grace Yang (U Maryland), David Brillinger (Berkeley), Alice Whittmore (Stanford), Mei-Ling Ting Lee (U Maryland), Colin Wu (NIH), Brad Biggerstaff (CDC), Xiao-Li Meng (Harvard), Ji-Qian Fang (Sun Yet-Sen Univ. China), and Nicholas Jewell (Berkeley). Harriet Chiang, Dr. Chiang's daughter, will also give a presentation in the workshop.

Registration site opens at <http://www.sfasa.org/DrChiangWorkshop/index.html>. A \$60 registration fee covers lunch, refreshments, and reception.

We also call for donations to support this event as the registration fee will not be sufficient to support the cost and we would like to support Berkeley students and Professor Chiang's family members to attend the event for free. Instruction for event donation can be also found at <http://www.sfasa.org/DrChiangWorkshop/index.html>.

Pacific Rim Statistics Conference on Production Engineering, December 12-13, 2014 in Fudan University, Shanghai, P. R. China

Pacific Rim Statistics Conference on Production Engineering will be held in Fudan University, Shanghai, P. R. China, which will be organized jointly with Shanghai Center for Mathematical Science of Fudan University and ICSA. For further information, please contact Yunxiao Chen (yunxiao@stat.columbia.edu), Yingying Cai (caiyy@fudan.edu.cn) and Yanchen Jin (jinyyc@fudan.edu.cn).

ICSA Sponsored and Co-Sponsored Publication

Statistic Sinica

Forthcoming Papers from Statistica Sinica

Forthcoming papers' information is available at <http://www3.stat.sinica.edu.tw/statistica/>. Those papers appeared in Volume 25, Number 1, January 2015.

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.

Statistics in Biosciences

The journal is growing and now and has published new issue, Volume 6 Number 1, in May 2014. The number of author initiated submissions has increased rapidly. Recent articles can be found at the journal website <http://alerts.springer.com/re?l=D0In5qpbxI6hkzma5Ik>

A link for submitting your article to SIBS online is below

<http://www.editorialmanager.com/sibs/>

<http://www.springer.com/statistics/life+sciences%2C+medicine+%26+health/journal/12561?changeHeader>

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International Press and Tsinghua University Mathematical Science Center are pleased to announce open online access (free of charge) to the journal *Statistics and Its Interface* (SII) which includes five volumes.

SII is available to the public online at <http://intlpress.com/SII>

Job Listings

1. Statistician or Chemometrician, BASF Shanghai (Shanghai City, China)

We are the world's leading chemical company because we offer intelligent solutions for our customers and for a sustainable future. We link and develop people with diverse talents all over the world. For you, this means a variety of ways to advance. Not only your performance but also your personality matter to us. At BASF, careers develop from opportunities.

Working area: Research & Development

Location: BASF Auxiliary Chemicals Co. Ltd, Shanghai

Working Hours: Full-time

Contract Type: Permanent

Contact Information

Tel: 00800 33 0000 33

Emial: jobs@basf.com

More Information: <http://www.icsa.org/job/index.html>

2. Biostatistics Director, APAC Shanghai (Shanghai City, China)

Job Description

Biostatistics Director, APAC

Location: Shanghai, China (APAC HQ)

Report to: Global VP, Biostatistics

Our client is one of the TOP4 global CROO, with strategic expansion in APAC region currently.

Please kindly contact via jonathan.g@kohsearch.com for more information.

Additional Information

Type: Full-time

Experience: Senior level

Functions: General Management

Industries: Pharmaceutical

Employer Job ID: K140110

More Information: <http://www.icsa.org/job/index.html>

Upcoming Workshops and Meeting

The 70th Deming Conference on Applied Statistics
December 8-12, 2014 at Atlantic City, New Jersey, USA
<http://demingconference.com/>

Memorial Workshop for Professor Chin Long Chiang's 100th Birthday
November 15, 2014, University of California Berkeley School of Public Health, Berkeley, CA,
USA.

<http://www.sfasa.org/DrChiangWorkshop/index.html>.

International Statistical Institute Regional Statistic Conference 2014 (ISI-RSC 2014)
November 16–November 19, 2014, Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia

<http://www.isi-rsc2014.my/>

NIMBioS Investigative Workshop: Heart Rhythm Disorders
December 3–December 5, 2014, Knoxville, TN, USA

http://www.nimbios.org/workshops/WS_cardiac

International Conference on Theory and Applications of Statistics: Statistics for Population and
Development

January 2-4, 2015 at the Senate Building, University of Dhaka, Bangladesh, India.

<http://www.dusdaa.org/conference2015>

2015 ICSA Applied Statistics symposium

June 14–June 17, 2015, Fort Collins, CO, USA

<http://www.stat.colostate.edu/graybillconference/>

2015 International Conference on Health Policy Statistics

October 7-9, 2015, Providence, RI

<http://www.amstat.org/meetings/ichps/2015/sessionproposals.cfm>

2016 ICSA Applied Statistics symposium

June 12–June 15, 2016, Atlanta, GA, USA

2016 ICSA International Conference

December 19–December 22, 2016, Shanghai Jiao Tong University, P .R. China