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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 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 ICSA.

**Additional Information:**

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

**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 for early registration is April 30, 2012.** More information can be found at [http://www.icsa.org/2012/](http://www.icsa.org/2012/)

*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](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**


**The January Issue Has Been Released!**

Statistica Sinica has released the on-line version of the January 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/](http://www.icsa.org/). If you have any problems for subscription, please contact the editorial office through ss@stat.sinica.edu.tw.

*Job Listings*

[Assistant, Associate, and Full Professor in Statistics or Econometrics](mailto:ss@stat.sinica.edu.tw)
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/zcggtz/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: Binhuan 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

**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. 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. Please visit the website at polyu.edu.hk/ama for more information about the Department.

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.

**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.

*Upcoming Workshops and Meetings*

2012 Conference on Statistical Practice
February 16–February 18, 2012, Orlando, Florida, USA
http://www.amstat.org/meetings/csp/2012/index.cfm

The Second International Biostatistics Workshop of Jilin University
June 17–June 20, 2012, Changchun, Jilin, China

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
More Information

Joint Statistical Meetings 2012
July 28–August 2, 2012, San Diego, California, USA
http://www.amstat.org/meetings/jsm/2012/index.cfm