SIGUCCS 2013

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WELCOME...

In less than two weeks, we will convene in Chicago to celebrate the 50th anniversary of SIGUCCS and attend the 41st annual SIGUCCS conference. As always, the conference will be packed with discussion sessions and presentations given by colleagues offering you opportunity to learn new things and develop new skills. The program committee has developed an exciting offering with many topics from which to choose. From world-renowned plenary speakers to session topics that meet the most immediate needs of our ever-changing organization; there is something for everyone.

Be sure to participate in the end-of-day "Birds of a Feather" sessions where you can have candid conversations about very specific topics. And this year visit one of our vendor BOFs where you can hear specifically from some of our corporate contributors. Check the BOF Board to see what topics will be offered or start one of your own.

If you are attending the Services & Support conference, don't miss our poster and vendor showcase on Thursday after lunch. This is a great opportunity to ask specific questions of presenters and have in-depth conversations. You will also find more information about various SIGUCCS opportunities at the poster session, including the 2014 conference.

Finally, I hope you will take the time to meet new people and network with others in similar positions from across the world. Higher education is an industry where we don't have to compete in order to be successful. We can always share ideas and learn from each other, at the conference, and every day thereafter. SIGUCCS isn't just about a conference, it's about the people with whom you connect .

Lisa Brown
2013 SIGUCCS Conference Chair

Things to remember...

The conference is only 2 weeks away and we just wanted to remind you of a few things...

- Dress is business casual, but often the rooms are cool, so bring a sweater or light jacket.
- It is autumn in Chicago, the leaves are changing and the warm weather is gone! Daily temps are in the 50s with nights in the mid-30s. Nights are cold!
- Bring some business cards and don't be afraid to ask for a card. It helps to write a note on the back so you remember what you discussed or needed to share with your colleague. If you don't have any cards, create something on your computer, print and cut into card-sized pieces!
- The program is available online at http://www.siguccs.org/Conference/2013/program.html Plan your experience ahead of time. Check out the sessions so you can mark the ones that sound most interesting.
- Use EventBoard if you are using a mobile device. Download the app and then you can create your schedule. The most up-to-date information will be in EventBoard.
- Check out transportation to the hotel. Know if you are using a taxi, van or commuter train from the airport. It helps to know where to go when you land! Check here for info.
- Check in at the registration desk after you get settled in the hotel so you won't miss anything! Check the daily newsletter, EventBoard, Twitter, email and notes by the desk for daily updates. Sometimes rooms and activities change...
- The lobby is on the 15th floor! When you enter the building from the street, head to elevators and the Holiday Inn lobby is located on 15. The conference rooms are located on floor 14.



Hospitality Suite!

This is a room or suite in a hotel set aside as a place for socializing especially for business purposes. This is a great place to get to know others, continue discussions, and play board games. Our HS is located in the LaSalle room and you can take drinks in from the bar...

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Volunteers Needed!

Please check out the volunteer sign up sheet located at the registration desk or dare to sign up now. This is a great way for those new to the conference to get involved and meet people; you don't have to know anything except great customer service!

FALL BACK!

Chicago will be on Central Standard Time! Make adjustments to your watches and schedules so that you are in the right time zone! Clocks go back at 2AM on Sunday, November 3rd, so we will be on CST for the conference!

Intense Learning :)

On Tuesday, 10:30-12pm, you will be able to participate in a speed-dating-type activity for IT topics. By joining a discussion, you will be able to have some productive sharing with colleagues and then move on to another topic. It's intense and a great time for ideas!

What is a BOF?

BOF represents "Birds of a Feather" which is a term used for informal gatherings at conferences to have discussions on a specified topic. We provide BOF opportunities and rooms almost every day of the conference. You can create your own topic or join a session already organized.

Workshops -$150 members

There are still spaces available in the four workshops offered during the S & S part of the conference. The workshop fee has been reduced to the "early bird" prices. Workshops are a great investment in your personal and professional development!

50 Years of SIGUCCS!

Established in 1963, SIGUCCS was formed to meet the needs of supporting computing in higher education. Visit the museum room located near the registration desk during your conference experience.

Arriving Early?

Museums on Us is a Bank of America program which provides free general admission to some Chicago museums on the first weekend of each month. Check out:

http://
museums.bankofamerica.com

LOOKING AHEAD...	SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY
	4:00-6:30 50th Anniversary Museum Room 6:30-7:30 Management Gathering	1:30 Management Plenary-Dr. Jay Dominick 5:00-6:00 BOF 9:00-Midnight Hospitality Suite	10:30-12:00 Hot Topics in IT! Round table discussions 6:00-7:00 Welcome Reception	ALL DAY 50th Anniversary Activities 1:30 Strategic Futures 7:00-10:00 Fulton's On The River GALA