SOCIETY FOR COMPUTERS IN PSYCHOLOGY

Editorial

This issue of *Behavior Research Methods* comprises, in part, articles based on presentations at the 36th Annual Meeting of the Society for Computers in Psychology (SCiP) held in Houston. SCiP is a society that brings together psychologists interested in techniques and issues surrounding the use of computers in all facets of psychology. The annual meeting is held the day before the Psychonomic Society meeting, at the same location. Over the years, many ground-breaking techniques on the use of computers in psychological research and teaching have been first presented at this conference. These studies often later find their way into this journal, either in this special issue or as regular contributions. Anyone with an interest in the use of computers in psychology who is going to the Psychonomic Society Annual Meeting can benefit from arriving a day early to take in this important conference. For more information about SCiP, see www.scip.ws/.

The 2006 Annual Meeting

The 1-day conference was held at the Hilton Americas in Houston on November 16, 2006. The program included a wide range of presentations in seven paper sessions and one poster session. The papers topics included Web-based research, computer modeling, quantitative methods, discourse methods, educational methods, and multimodal expert systems. The program chairs for the 2006 meeting were John Williams and Curt Burgess. Ulf Reips delivered the Presidential Address, "Internet-Based Psychological Research. See More. Do More." The 2006 Castellan student paper award winner was Jessica M. Ray, of the University of Central Florida. The title of her paper (with co-author Roger D. Ray, at Rollins College) is "Train-To-Code: An Adaptive Expert System for Training Systematic Observation and Coding Skills."

The SCiP articles included in this issue were submitted to *BRM* and were reviewed by the journal's consulting editors, members of the steering committee of the SCiP conference, and ad hoc reviewers who have expertise in each paper's area. I thank all of the reviewers for their important contribution to the quality of these papers.

At this meeting, the officers for the next year were announced. Roman Taraban, Texas Tech, assumes the presidency, and Gary Bradshaw, Mississippi State, is president-elect. Kay Livesay, Linfield College, is the secretary treasurer. The steering committee for 2007 comprises Gary L. Bradshaw, Mississippi State; Curt Burgess, University of California, Riverside; Michael N. Jones, Indiana University; Ping Li, University of Richmond; Joseph P. Magliano, University of Northern Illinois; Bill Maki, Texas Tech; Ulf-Dietrich Reips, Universität Zürich; Jonathan Vaughan, Hamilton College; Katja Wiemer-Hastings, University of Northern Illinois; and John Eustis Williams, University of Northern Iowa.

The 2007 Annual Meeting

The 37th Annual Meeting of SCiP will be held at the Hyatt Regency Hotel in Long Beach, on Thursday, November 15, 2007, just before the annual meeting of the Psychonomic Society. The Call for Papers may be found at www.scip.ws. Presentations geared for all levels are appropriate, including introductory tutorials, new ways of teaching or collecting data, and technical information for researchers and programmers. Individuals interested in suggesting a topic for a symposium or submitting a paper for the 2007 meeting are urged to contact the program chair, Gary Bradshaw, with questions or comments.

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As in the past, papers presented at the SCiP conference may be considered for the issue of *Behavior Research Methods* published in the following May. The deadline for submitting the manuscripts online at mc.manuscriptcentral.com/psychonomic/brmic is November 19, 2007. If you have any questions, contact me, krantzj@hanover.edu, as the proceedings editor.

About the Society for Computers in Psychology

Membership in SCiP and participation at the meeting are open to all who are interested in the uses of computers in psychological research, teaching, and applications. Information about joining SCiP or participating in its meetings may be obtained from the Web page (www.scip.ws) or from secretary-treasurer Kay Livesay, Linfield College (klivesa@linfield.edu). Students are welcome to join the society and participate in its meetings. The John Castellan award is given for the best student paper presented at the conference.

In addition to its officers, SCiP has several other people formally associated with the society. Gary Bradshaw, Mississippi State, is program chair; Kim-Phuong Vu, California State University, Long Beach, is program co-chair; Xiangen Hu, University of Memphis, is Webmaster; Chris Wolfe is the coordinator for the SCiP Experts; and Joseph Young is the representative to the Federation of Behavioral, Psychological, and Cognitive Sciences.

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