

## Candidate for Chair

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### **BIOGRAPHY**

#### Academic Background:

Ph.D., University of Minnesota, 1990, Business Administration-MIS concentration.

#### Professional Experience:

Shaughnessy Professor of MIS, Saint Louis University, Saint Louis, MO,  
2004 – Present;

Shaughnessy Associate Professor of MIS, Saint Louis University, Saint Louis, MO,  
1999 – 2004;

Associate Professor of MIS, University of Baltimore, Baltimore, MD, 1995 – 1999.

#### Professional Interest:

IS Personnel; Global information systems; Management of IS; Collaboration and virtual teams; Qualitative methods.

#### ACM Activities:

Chair, Special Interest Group on Computer Personnel Research, 1999 – 2002;  
Conference co-chair, SIGMIS Computer Personnel Research Conference, 2007;  
Conference chair, SIGCPR Computer Personnel Research Conference, 1998;  
Program chair, SIGCPR Computer Personnel Research Conference, 1997.

#### Membership and Offices in Related Organizations:

Co-program Chair 2010 ICIS, Association for Information Systems, 2007 – 2010;

Program chair, St. Louis chapter SIM, 2005 – 2008;

Originator and co-facilitator, Jr. Faculty Consortium ICIS, Association for Information Systems, 2000 – 2004.

#### Awards Received:

"Circle of Compadres", KPMG Ph.D. Project, 2006; Most distinguished faculty member, Beta Alpha Psi, 2002.

### **STATEMENT**

SIGMIS has excellent assets with one of the oldest MIS publications, DATABASE, and one of the oldest conferences, Computer Personnel Research. Both have been successful and can be enhanced with continued investment of resources.

Areas that should be investigated for future growth of SIGMIS include: (1) co-locating the CPR conference with other “stand alone” events such as DESRIST for design science; (2) development of a program for providing practice oriented annotated bibliographies and other working papers for Digital Library users; (3) development of an award for development of teaching resources, perhaps in coalition with IAIMS or another teaching-oriented organization; (4) a return to special issues of DATABASE drawn from the best of sponsored conference papers; and (5) an open leadership group to propose new programs and provide a mechanism for implementing them.

SIGMIS serves as an important link between MIS faculty and the history-laden traditions of computer science oriented ACM. I would work to encourage collaboration with groups like AIS and SIM as well as more specialized groups working in narrower areas of focus. My overall goal would be to create opportunities for research, scholarship and collaboration.