

Candidate for Chair

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BIOGRAPHY

Academic Background:

Ph.D., Yale University, 1971, Engineering and Applied Science.

Professional Experience:

Assistant Professor, Georgia Tech, Atlanta, GA, 1971 – 1976;

Associate Professor, Professor, Chair, Wayne State University, Detroit, MI,
1976 – 2001;

Professor, Chair, University of Michigan – Dearborn, Dearborn, MI, 2001 – 2009.

Professional Interest:

Multimedia information systems; Content-based retrieval; Database systems; Information retrieval; Semantic web.

Membership and Offices in Related Organizations:

Editor-in-Chief, IEEE Multimedia, IEEE Computer Society, 1998 – 2001;

Steering Committee Member, IEEE Transaction on Multimedia, IEEE, 2000 – 2001;

Steering Committee Member, IEEE ICME, IEEE, 2001 – 2003.

Awards Received:

IEEE Senior Member, 1998.

STATEMENT

While SIGMM should be the premier organization supporting the classical multimedia research community, we must take care not to be too insular. It is important to develop contacts with and coverage of the various ancillary communities whose applications drive the various research questions in our field. These communities include those of information retrieval, the semantic web, web science, the arts, human-computer interaction, gaming, and instructional technology, among others. Without an appreciation of real-world problems tied to these vital applications, any area of study can turn inward, with empty theory substituting for content.

As the Editor-in-Chief for IEEE Multimedia Magazine from 1998-2001, I initiated the Artful Media column, which now has a spin-off Art Beat column. Also, as the current editor of the Media Impact column, I have facilitated the publication of multimedia application-oriented

articles from several ancillary research communities, ranging from social science-oriented virtual worlds to pen-centric computing.