Call for Papers
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Global Reach and Diverse Impact
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The Joint Conference on Digital Libraries is a major international forum focusing on digital libraries and associated technical, practical, and social issues. JCDL encompasses the many meanings of the term “digital libraries,” including (but not limited to) new forms of information institutions; operational information systems with all manner of digital content; new means of selecting, collecting, organizing, and distributing digital content; digital preservation and archiving; and theoretical models of information media, including document genres and electronic publishing.

The intended community for this conference includes those interested in aspects of digital libraries such as infrastructure; institutions; metadata; content; services; digital preservation; system design; implementation; interface design; human-computer interaction; performance evaluation; usability evaluation; collection development; intellectual property; privacy; electronic publishing; document genres; multimedia; social, institutional, and policy issues; user communities; and associated theoretical topics.

Participation is sought from all parts of the world and from the full range of disciplines and professions involved in digital library research and practice, including computer science, electrical engineering, information science, information systems, librarianship, archival science and practice, museum studies and practices, technology, education, medicine, intelligence analysis, social sciences, and humanities. All domains – academia, government, industry, and others – are encouraged to participate as presenters or attendees.

CONFERENCE THEME: GLOBAL REACH AND DIVERSE IMPACT
In addition to the listed digital library research topics, JCDL 2004 encourages submission of papers that illustrate digital library’s global reach and diverse impact. Examples include (but are not limited to): major national or cross-regional digital library projects; case studies exemplifying successful international collaboration and impact; innovative cultural preservation and dissemination projects aimed at preserving unique and indigenous knowledge; the development and use of digital library technologies for national (and international) security; digital library research for intelligence and security informatics; digital library techniques, content, and services based on cyberinfrastructure; digital library research for enhancing e-learning and education; and other novel and high-impact digital library projects.

IMPORTANT DATES
January 15, 2004: Full papers, panel, and tutorial proposals due
February 10, 2004: Short papers, posters, proposals for workshops and demonstrations due
March 31, 2004: Final submissions due

PAPER SUBMISSION
Full and short papers will be included in the conference proceedings and will be presented at the conference. Papers must be in English with a limit of 10 pages (approximately 5000 words) for full papers and 2 pages for short papers. All papers must be original contributions (i.e., not have been previously published or currently under
review for publication elsewhere). All contributions are to be submitted in electronic form via the JCDL conference web site, following ACM format guidelines and using the template provided http://www.acm.org/sigs/pubs/proceed/template.html). Preferred submission formats are PDF or Microsoft Word. The conference will award the Vannevar Bush Award to the best full paper.

PANELS, POSTERS, AND DEMONSTRATIONS

Panels and posters provide opportunities to present work-in-progress, late-breaking results, or other efforts that would benefit from discussion with the community. Successful panel proposals should involve a controversial or emerging topic and articulate and entertaining panelists. Panel proposals must consist of a title, a 1-page extended abstract explaining the topic and goals of the session along with a list of titles of individual presentations and/or viewpoints and contact information for the organizer, moderator, and panelists. Posters permit presentation of late-breaking results in an informal, interactive manner. Poster proposals should consist of a title, a 1-page extended abstract, and contact information for the authors. Accepted posters will be displayed at the conference and may include additional materials, space permitting. Abstracts of panels and posters will appear in the proceedings.

Demonstrations will allow attendees to have first-hand views of innovative digital libraries technology and applications and to talk informally with system developers and researchers. Demonstration proposals should consist of a title, a 1-page extended abstract, and contact information for the authors. Abstracts of demonstrations will appear in the proceedings. All contributions are to be submitted in electronic form via the JCDL conference web site.

TUTORIALS AND WORKSHOPS

Proposals for tutorials and workshops are also solicited. Tutorials are intended to present a single topic in detail over either a half-day or a full day. Tutorial proposals should include: a tutorial title; an abstract (1-2 paragraphs, to be used in conference programs); a description or topical outline of tutorial (1-2 paragraphs, to be used for evaluation); duration (half- or full-day); expected number of participants; target audience, including level of experience (introductory, intermediate, advanced); learning objectives; a brief biographical sketch of the presenter(s); and contact information for the presenter(s). Tutorial proposals should be emailed directly to the tutorial chair. For further information please contact the tutorial chair.

Workshops are intended to draw together communities of interest in a new or emerging issue and provide a forum for discussion and exploration. Submissions should include: a workshop title and short description; a statement of objectives for the workshop; a topical outline for the workshop; identification of the expected audience; a description of the planned format, duration (half- or full-day), and expected number of attendees; information about how the attendees will be identified, notified of the workshop, and, if necessary, selected from among applicants; as well as contact and biographical information about the organizers. Finally, if a workshop has been held previously, information about the earlier sessions should be provided -- dates, locations, outcomes, attendance, etc. Workshop proposals should be emailed directly to the workshop chair. For further information please contact the workshop chair.

CONFERENCE LOCATION

JCDL 2004 will be held in Tucson, Arizona on June 7-11, 2003. Warmed by an abundance of desert sunshine, the meeting will be held in a rejuvenating resort environment inspired by the beauty of its pristine natural surroundings. Home to an amazing variety of birds, plants and wildlife, Tucson is an ideal choice for nature lovers, families, or those simply seeking a serene escape from daily pressures. It also is an inspiring setting for productive professional meetings. Outdoor enthusiasts may enjoy horseback riding, hiking, biking, birding and swimming, plus golf nearby. Weather in early June in Tucson is warm, but comfortable and pleasant. The Hilton El Conquistado will be the JCDL 2004 conference hotel. It is a 4-Star, 4-Diamond resort nested at the base of the Catalina Mountains. It features 428 newly renovated guest rooms with upscale southwestern décor and private balconies with gorgeous mountain views. There are additional 90 rooms (also Hilton) available nearby for overflow guests. This hotel has a spacious, open lobby that is perfect for networking. Many activities including horseback riding, jeep tours, and bicycle rentals, are available on site.

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