

GRADUATE STUDENT WORKSHOP

to be held as part of the

2006 GENETIC AND EVOLUTIONARY COMPUTATION CONFERENCE (GECCO-2006)

July 8-12, 2006 (Saturday-Wednesday)

Renaissance Seattle Hotel

Seattle, Washington, USA

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The graduate student workshop is an opportunity for students pursuing research in some aspect of evolutionary computation to present their research and to receive feed back from both the general evolutionary computation community and a 'mentor' panel of established researchers in evolutionary computation.

Graduate Student Workshop Deadlines:

Submission deadline: Friday, March 17, 2006

Acceptance notification: Friday, March 31, 2006

Camera ready deadline: Friday, April 14, 2006

Details:

This all day workshop will involve presentations by approximately 12 selected students pursuing research in some aspect of evolutionary computation. Preference will be given to graduate students, but undergraduates pursuing research in evolutionary computation are also encouraged to submit papers and attend. Students will make 15-20 minute presentations to an audience that will include a 'mentor' panel of established researchers in evolutionary computation. Presentations will be followed by a 10 minute question and discussion period led by the mentor panel.

The goal of this workshop is to assist students regarding their research: research methodology, goals, and plans. Students will also receive feedback on their presentation style. Other attendees will benefit by learning about current research, engaging in technical discussions and meeting researchers with related interests. Other students are encouraged to attend as a means of strengthening their own research.

The group of presenting students will be chosen with the intent of creating a diverse group of students working on a broad range of topic areas. You are an ideal candidate if your thesis topic has already been approved by your university and you have been working on your thesis or dissertation for between 6 and 18 months.

Submissions:

Submissions should be made electronically to tsoule@cs.uidaho.edu with the subject "GECCO 2006 Graduate Student Workshop Submission". Submissions should be in PDF or PostScript format and follow the formatting rules for GECCO submissions (see <http://www.sigevo.org/gecco-2006/submitting.html>). In addition, submissions should be accompanied by a brief cover email including the student's current enrollment status (undergraduate, M.S. student, or Ph.D. student) and information regarding the extent of their research to date (e.g. number of months on the project, whether they've completed a proposal defense, or some similar indication of progress). Accepted papers will be included with the other workshop papers on the GECCO Workshops CD. Awards will be presented for best paper and best presentation.

Presentations:

Keeping in mind that the goal of the workshop is to supply advice and suggestions on both the current status of their research and on their planned future research directions; presenters should plan to present both their current research results and their future research goals and plans.

For more information:

For more information on GECCO 2006 go to www.sigevo.org/GECCO-2006 .

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