



**EXTENDED PROPOSAL DEADLINE: JUNE 3, 2009**

**SIGDOC 2009 Call for Papers**  
**27th International ACM SIGDOC 2009 Conference**  
**School of Informatics, Indiana University**  
**Bloomington, Indiana, USA**  
**October 5-7, 2009**

**About SIGDOC 2009**

The 27th International ACM SIGDOC 2009 Conference will be held at Indiana University's School of Informatics, recently listed as one of Computerworld's "Top IT Schools to Watch 2008." Indiana University (IU) is renowned for its ground-breaking interdisciplinary research in science, technology, education, and the humanities and social studies, with a mission that stresses ingenuity, involvement, innovation, inquiry, insight, and inspiration. SIGDOC, with its emphasis on communication and information and its strong links to library and information science, design studies, and cognitive and computer science, aims to build on IU's creative interactions and energies.

Research papers, workshops, experience reports, and posters are invited that emphasize the following thematic challenges:

- What do we mean by disciplinary, intradisciplinary, interdisciplinary, cross-disciplinary, multidisciplinary? Why do we maintain that this is a strength of ACM SIGDOC? How can your unique expertise or design experience contribute to a compelling future for the developing discipline of communication design?
- Role of disciplinary expertise in problem solving, innovation, communication design and business process design, knowledge creation and management for the 21st century.
- New economic realities and geopolitical issues for communication designers.
- Preparing the next generation communication designer: abilities, attributes, prior knowledge and backgrounds, tasks and activities, competencies and contexts.
- State of the field: past reflections and historically significant developments, accelerated environments and artifacts, unrealized potentials.
- Emerging studies on personalization, mediation, work and genre ecologies and activities, technical and educational opportunities and challenges of sustainability and sharing.

**Important Dates (revised)**

- June 3, 2009 - Proposals (500 word) for papers, reports, workshops, and posters due.
- June 20, 2009 - Authors will be notified of acceptance.
- July 15, 2009 - Full versions of technical papers and workshop descriptions due.
- July 29, 2009 - Authors will be notified of revisions.
- August 3, 2009 - Final versions of technical papers and workshop descriptions are due.

**Guidelines for Submission Types**

- **Research Papers** — Proposals should not exceed 500 words. Final papers should not exceed 5,000 words, approximately 8 pages in ACM SIGDOC conference format (available at the site), including figures and references. The results described must not be under consideration for publication elsewhere.
- **Workshops** — Workshop proposals should not exceed 1,000 words. The proposal should describe the workshop's theme, leader(s), structure, expected length, and participant selection criteria.
- **Experience Reports** — Proposals should not exceed 500 words. Experience reports present project- or workplace-focused summaries of important process or product processes and should not exceed 3,500 words. The experience report is a standalone, six-page extended abstract that

describes a design experience and its lessons for other designers of communication. The experience report must include the title, names and affiliations of the authors, an abstract of up to 150 words, and keywords.

- **Posters** — Poster proposals should not exceed 1000 words. Posters provide an opportunity to present late-breaking results and new ideas in an informal, visual, and interactive format. Accepted poster submissions will receive a one page description in the conference proceedings. The submission should be formatted according to the ACM guidelines for paper submissions, but the length must be only one page.

### **Submission process**

To submit your proposal, go to <http://www.sigdoc.org/2009/submit.html>. Acceptance for publication is contingent on registration for the conference. (In the case of multiple authors, at least one must register.) If you cannot attend the conference, a publication fee equivalent to the event registration will be charged.