



**Journal of the Southern Association of Information Systems (JSAIS)**

**Special Call for Papers**

**“IS in the Time of Covid-19”**

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**Deadlines**

<b>March 1, 2021</b>	Submit Extended Abstract for Presentation in JSAIS Virtual Research Workshop at <a href="https://papers.southernais.org">https://papers.southernais.org</a>
<b>March 26, 2021</b>	JSAIS Virtual Research Workshop
<b>June 1, 2021</b>	Submit Full Paper at <a href="https://aisel.aisnet.org/jsais/">https://aisel.aisnet.org/jsais/</a>
<b>August 1, 2021</b>	Notification of Expedited First Round review – Workshop Participants
<b>September 1, 2021</b>	Notification of First Round review – General Submission
<b>October 1, 2021</b>	Revised manuscript submission
<b>Fall 2021</b>	Notification of Final decisions for publication in JSAIS Special Issue

**Description**

Advances in Information Systems (IS) are constantly changing the way we work, live, and learn. IS has impacted the way we communicate and collaborate for decades. However, the critical importance of IS was brought to the forefront by the COVID-19 pandemic.

The COVID-19 pandemic suddenly and dramatically impacted all aspects of human life, most notably the traditional workday and education. Organizations found themselves in a situation where they were racing to rework traditional face to face situations and experiences using IS.

While we are all ready for the pandemic to come to an end, some of the changes and effects of COVID-19 will likely remain. This special call of papers seeks to explore how IS supports work, life, and learning during a pandemic.

Example topics include, but are not limited to:

- **Tools for remote work/education:** working from home, meetings with remote teammates
- **New ways of getting work done:** techniques or IS artifacts used to allow for remote work
- **Technologies for the future of work/future of education:** networking, augmented reality, virtual reality, wearable devices, and human-robot collaboration
- **Supporting worker well-being:** maintaining work-life boundaries, supporting physical movement, and facilitating work attachment and detachment – mindfulness, student/worker remote support
- **Creating new skills needed for remote work:** opportunities to learn new skills
- **Inclusion and accessibility:** technology that is built for equality and technology that supports all abilities
- **Security and privacy:** protecting work situations from malicious actors and maintaining privacy
- **Novel ways of measuring outcome:** new types of assessment for remote work
- **IS applications** that support future jobs, work practices, and education
- **Software adoption:** adoption and continued use new software tools

### **Research Workshop Extended Abstract Submission**

Authors that participate in the research workshop will have their papers reviewed and considered for acceptance into JSAIS Special Issue on an expedited schedule. Workshop presentations should focus on the research proposal for the Special Issue. Extended abstracts **should not exceed 2 pages** and presentation should not exceed 10-15 minutes.

### **JSAIS Special Issue Submission**

Articles submitted to **should not exceed 8 or 12 pages**, including all text, the abstract, keywords, bibliography, biographies, and table text. An article should have no more than 20 references. The abstract should be no more than 150 words and should describe the overall focus of your manuscript.

Articles should be accompanied by a short biographical sketch containing, in the following order: your current position and affiliation; current research interests; highest academic degree, area of study, and institution; professional affiliations; and postal and email addresses.

<b>JSAIS Virtual Research Workshop Friday March 26, 2021 9a-12p Eastern</b>	
<b>Time</b>	<b>Activity</b>
900-930a	Guest Speaker
930-940a	Break
940-1040a	Breakout Sessions (4-5 with 3-4 papers in each session) - Research Proposal Presentations and Peer Discussion
1040-1050a	Break
1050a-1200p	Overview of Breakout Sessions Next Steps for JSAIS Special Issue Submission