Greetings MWAIS members,

Happy New Year MWAIS members! It has been an honor to serve as the President of MWAIS for the 2022-2023 academic year. In the first part of the year, the Executive Committee has worked on a few fun projects, such as updating our website (find us here: https://communities.aisnet.org/mwais/), analyzing our member data (we currently have active members from 40 states and 19 countries), and making plans for our upcoming MWAIS conference events.

The executive team is looking forward to seeing everyone at the 18th annual MWAIS conference in St. Paul, Minnesota on May 19th and 20th. The Conference Co-Chairs Queen Booker (Metropolitan State University) and Dahui Li (University of Minnesota Duluth) and Program Co-Chairs Jordan Barlow (University of St. Thomas), Simon Jin (Metropolitan State University), and Ivy Yuan (Iowa State University), along with the rest of the program team, have been hard at work on preparing a valuable and exciting conference. The conference theme for this year is “Thriving with Agile!” For everyone interested in participating in MWAIS 2023, full details about the submission deadlines and conference events can be found online: https://mwais.metrostate.edu/

As a part of the conference, we will be holding an MWAIS business meeting for the election of new officers (President-Elect, Treasurer, and At-Large Director). If you or someone at your university is interested in one of these open positions, please get in touch with a member of the MWAIS executive committee. Details on the 19th annual MWAIS conference will also be shared at our conference in May, so look forward to hearing more details about MWAIS 2024 which will be held in Peoria, Illinois and hosted by Bradley University and be ready to mark your calendars.
Apart from our conference activities, MWAIS has the Journal of the Midwest Association for Information Systems (JMWAIS) which is a great outlet to publish our research. JMWAIS is a double-blind, peer-reviewed, quality focused, and open access AIS-affiliated journal with articles published in the AIS electronic library and on its own site at [http://jmwaais.org/](http://jmwaais.org/). Thank you to Editor in Chief, Joey George (Iowa State University) and Managing Editor, Rassule Hadidi (Metro State University) for their leadership and dedication to the journal. The JMWAIS call for papers can be found in the newsletter. Please note, JMWAIS also welcomes proposals for special issues from the MWAIS community which is a great opportunity for tenure-track faculty and researchers to demonstrate leadership in their fields.

As always, MWAIS accomplishments are thanks to the hard work of our MWAIS leadership and members. Thank you to the work of the executive board members and the conference committee as well as the participation and support of our members. We rely heavily on our leadership and chapter members to make sure that we host our annual conference, work on exciting MWAIS research collaborations, review papers, serve as session chairs, and participate in all of the events that we host. Thank you to everyone who is involved in these efforts!

On behalf of the MWAIS executive team, I would like to thank everyone for their engagement this past year. We hope to have another strong year in 2023 and we look forward to seeing you at MWAIS 2023 in St. Paul, MN!

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The 17th conference of the Midwest AIS was held in Omaha, Nebraska, and sponsored by Berkshire Hathaway Homestate Companies, National Indemnity Company, First National Bank of Omaha, Prospect Press, Gallup, Creighton University Heider College of Business, Marquette University College of Business Administration, and the College of Information Science and Technology, University of Nebraska Omaha. The conference was held Scotts Conference Center, Omaha Nebraska home of the University of Nebraska Omaha College of Information Science and Technology. MWAIS 2022 provided an intimate environment in order to facilitate the sharing of ideas, and close interaction among participants.

Overall, about 70 paid attendees attended the conference. Attendees were welcomed to the conference by Peter Wolcott, Chair Information Systems and Quantitative Analysis Department, University of Nebraska Omaha and Deepak Khazanchi, MWAIS 2022 General Chair. Suprateek Sakar, President-elect of the AIS was the academic keynote speaker while Matt Spyers, CIO, First National Bank of Omaha was the industry keynote speaker. More about conference can be found here (https://www.unomaha.edu/college-of-information-science-and-technology/mwais2022/index.php)

Deepak Khazanchi and Dustin Ormond presented award for best paper to Mark Freyhof, George Grispos, Santosh Pitla and Cody Stolle “Towards a Cybersecurity Testbed for Agricultural Vehicle and Environments”

Excerpt below:
Photos from MWAIS Conference 2022
Journal of the Midwest Association for Information Systems (JMWAIS) is a double-blind, peer-reviewed, quality focused, SCOPUS indexed, and open-access online journal. JMWAIS (pronounced jĕm way or say each letter "J" "M" "W" "A" "I" "S") publishes original articles related to Information Systems (IS), Information Technology (IT), and Management Information Systems (MIS). The editorial emphasis is on interdisciplinary research involving IS/T and MIS from organizational and individual perspectives. JMWAIS strives to be unique, in both its interdisciplinary Information Systems focus and its commitment to authors of an expedited and constructive review process. Specifically, our editorial policy encourages authors from various business user and technical tools disciplines to submit interesting IS/T and MIS related manuscripts. The Editorial Board emphasizes a balanced vision between rigor and relevance. Both academic scholarly-oriented and more practitioner-oriented submissions are welcomed. Articles that are published in JMWAIS are also available from the AIS eLibrary.

The Journal is published semi-annually in January and July.

Editor-in-Chief Joey George, Iowa State University

Managing Editor Rassule Hadidi, University of Illinois Springfield

Best Paper Awards: The annual MWAIS conference program committee will select three papers for best paper awards. Authors of these papers who choose to submit an expanded version of their papers to JMWAIS will receive an expedited review process and upon acceptance of their paper will receive monetary prize from MWAIS.

History

Journal of the Midwest Association for Information Systems was initially proposed at the September 13, 2013 meeting of the MWAIS executive committee and was approved at the October 18th meeting of the committee. The inaugural issue was published in January 2015.
AMCIS 2023 will be held in Panama City, Panama. The conference brings together information systems researchers from around the world to discuss cutting-edge research.

Dates: August 10-12, 2023

Website: https://amcis2023.aisconferences.org/

Call for Papers

The latest issue of the Journal of the Midwest Association for Information Systems (JMWAIS) was published in January 2022. Submission deadline for the July 2022 issue is closed. We invite you to submit a manuscript for review for the next issue to be published in January 2023. JMWAIS is a double-blind, peer-reviewed, quality focused, and open-access journal. JMWAIS publishes original articles related to Information Systems (IS), Information Technology (IT), and Management Information Systems (MIS). The editorial emphasis is on interdisciplinary research involving IS/T and MIS from organizational and individual perspectives. JMWAIS strives to be unique, in both its interdisciplinary Information Systems focus and its commitment to authors of an expedited and constructive review process. Specifically, our editorial policy encourages authors from various business users and technical tools disciplines to submit interesting IS/T and MIS related manuscripts. Case studies with case teaching notes as well as practitioner-oriented manuscripts are also considered for publication in the journal. The Editorial Board emphasizes a balanced vision between rigor and relevance. Both academic scholarly-oriented and more practitioner-oriented submissions are welcomed.

Submission Guidelines

• Submissions may be between 7 and 20 pages long, single-spaced.
  1) For an empirical article, the target length is 5,000 - 7,000 words.
  2) For a review article, the target length is 4,000 - 5,000 words.
  3) For a viewpoint article, the target length is 3,000 - 4,000 words.

• Submissions should be in MS Word file format using 10-point Times New Roman font.

• Please follow APA citation style.

• Authors may include hyperlinks in their manuscripts.

• Submissions should include a 100 - 200 word abstract and 3-4 key words.

• Except on the title page, authors should not identify themselves or their affiliation in their manuscripts.

• Submission deadlines: September 15th for January issue and March 15th for July issue. Please visit www.jmwais.org for additional information.
The 18th Annual Conference of the Midwest United States Association for Information Systems (MWAIS) will be held in the College of Management at Metro State University in St. Paul, MN.

Dates: May 19-20, 2023  
Theme: Thriving with Agile!  
Submission system opens: January 16, 2023  
Deadline for Paper Submissions: March 4, 2023, 11:59PM CST

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On behalf of the MWAIS 2023 Conference Committee and the MWAIS Executive Committee, we take great pleasure in inviting you to plan on submitting a paper, panel, extended abstract, big idea (lightning talks), or a doctoral proposal for workshopping in the 2023 MWAIS annual meeting. We would urge you to encourage your graduate students and colleagues to participate in this opportunity to showcase their work to a small, focused group of researchers while enjoying Saint Paul hospitality.

The Agile Manifesto turns 20 in 2022! Much of the manifesto remains important to systems development although Agile is not without its detractors. Some claim that the manifesto needs updating given the new normal as realized by the pandemic. What have we learned about Agile during the past 20 years? Please submit your papers on how companies are experiencing agile developments, best practices, and/or lessons learned.
Papers will also be accepted on the major IS themes, including, but not limited to, IS Curriculum and Pedagogy, IS Ethics, Data Analytics, Decision Support and Expert Systems, Enterprise Systems (ERP), Information Security and Privacy, AI, Internet of Things, and Big Data. We also call for research and pedagogy papers that address diversity, equity, and inclusion (DEI).

Full-length papers, abstracts, panel proposals, workshop proposals, and symposia proposals are welcome. All submitted papers will be reviewed by qualified individuals through a double-blind peer-review process. We also welcome the submission of up to one-page single-spaced research abstracts (150-300 words). Acceptance of papers and abstracts are subject to final approval by the Program Committee. Accepted papers, abstracts, panels, workshops, and proposals of authors who have registered for the conference by the close of online registration will be scheduled for presentation at the annual meeting. Abstracts will have the option of regular presentations or poster presentation. Presented papers and abstracts will be published in the Proceedings. Paper submission acknowledges that the author(s) will register for and attend the conference and personally present the accepted paper at the time specified in the conference program.

**Submission Policy:**

The submission of a paper or abstract means the author certifies it is not copyrighted, has not been accepted for publication in a journal or proceedings, has not been presented at another professional meeting, has not been accepted for presentation at another professional meeting, and is not under review for a journal, proceedings, or presentation at another professional meeting. Concurrent submission and/or presentation of the same or similar paper at another conference is considered a breach of professional ethics. AIS has a code of ethical conduct accessible at https://aisnet.org/page/MemberCodeOfConduct.

**Program Participation:**

Paper reviewers and session chairs are needed for the program to be a success. Please contact one of the Program Chairs by December 15th, 2022, if you are interested in serving as session chair or reviewer. Authors who submit papers should expect to be asked to review at least one paper for the conference. Please contact a Program Chair concerning proposals for workshops, panels, and symposia.

**Distinguished Paper Awards:**

Distinguished paper awards will be presented to outstanding papers including an award for the best paper that incorporates the conference theme and diversity, equity and inclusion (DEI). Distinguished papers will also be invited for submission to the MWAIS journal.

**Student Paper Awards:**

Up to three cash awards for student papers will be presented. Papers submitted in the student track must be either solely authored by students or co-authored where a student is the lead author.
Past MWAIS conferences

Past MWAIS conferences have been great successes, hosted by:

2022 – College of Information Science and Technology, University of Nebraska Omaha – Omaha, NE
2021 – Foster College of Business, Bradley University, Peoria, IL
2020 – College of Business, Drake University, Des Moines, IL
2019 – College of Business, University of Wisconsin, Oshkosh – Oshkosh, WI
2018 – College of Business Administration, University of Missouri St Louis – St. Louis, MO
2017 – College of Business and Management, University of Illinois, Springfield – Springfield, IL
2016 – School of Information Studies, University of Wisconsin, Milwaukee – Milwaukee, WI
2015 – Kelce College of Business, Pittsburg State University – Pittsburg, Kansas
2014 - College of Business, Iowa State University – Ames, Iowa
2012 - Austin E. Cofrin School of Business, University of Wisconsin – Green Bay, Green Bay, Wisconsin.
2011 - College of Information Science and Technology, University of Nebraska at Omaha – Omaha, Nebraska.
2010 - School of Business, Minnesota State University Moorhead – Moorhead, Minnesota.
2009 - College of Business and Information Systems, Dakota State University – Madison, South Dakota.
2008 - College of Business, University of Wisconsin – Eau Claire – Eau Claire, Wisconsin.
2007 - College of Business and Management, University of Illinois Springfield – Springfield, Illinois

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