Greetings MWAIS members,

Happy spring (at least it feels like it) to MWAIS members. Last year held many exciting opportunities for our chapter and we look forward to the coming calendar year.

The executive team is anticipating seeing everyone at the 19th annual MWAIS conference hosted by Bradley University in Peoria, IL this coming May 16th and 17th, 2024. The conference chair Jacob Young and program co-chairs Angelica Fanti, Tyler Smith, and Shawn Zheng, along with the many others involved have been preparing since 2021 (when they weren’t able to host due to COVID) to host this conference. Information on the conference is available at the website https://mwais2024.com/ including links for submitting papers, panels, workshops, and tutorials. The deadline of March 1st is coming soon, so be sure to submit your work and join us in Illinois.

As part of the conference, we will hold the MWAIS business meeting, which will include an election for new officers. The openings will be for president-elect, secretary, and membership/publicity/newsletter executive board members. If you or someone you know is interested in one of these positions, feel free to contact me.

In addition to our upcoming conference, the Journal of the Midwest Association for Information Systems (JMWAIS) published another issue in January including research on the future of work, longitudinal impacts of self-efficacy in high school education, and the impacts of gender, emotional intelligence, and need for popularity on online posting behavior. JMWAIS offers a double-blind, peer-reviewed outlet to publish research in an AIS-affiliated journal available on its site (https://jmvais.org/).
Thank you to Barbara Klein and Rassule Hadidi for their leadership on the journal, as well as the many editors and reviewers for their work. This newsletter has a published call included and the journal is always open to special issue proposals from faculty and researchers wanting to demonstrate leadership in the field.

As always, none of this is possible without the hard work of our members, The leadership team would like to thank all those involved including the conference committee, reviewers, session chairs, and many others for their involvement with the chapter. We encourage everyone to take part as this is what allows the chapter, journal, and conference to be successful.

Again, thank you for all you do, and I look forward to seeing you in Peoria in May.

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Greetings from Rasule Hadidi, Managing Editor, JMWAIS

On behalf of the editorial board of JMWAIS and myself, would like to sincerely say thank you to Joey George for his significant contributions and leadership for the JMWAIS over the last three years as Editor-in-Chief, author, recipient of the best paper award from this journal, and co-author of several articles published in JMWAIS. Joey also hosted one of our annual conferences at Iowa State University in 2014, sponsored and attended several other annual conferences. We will miss his significant contributions over the years and wish him the best for his retirement.

We are pleased to announce that Barbara Klein, Professor of Management Information Systems and Information Technology Management at the University of Michigan-Dearborn will be our next Editor-in-Chief. She has served as senior editor of this journal since its inception and has authored and co-authored a number of articles published in JMWAIS, and has made significant contributions to the journal for her always comprehensive and timely review of manuscripts, we have received. In addition to her significant academic experience, Professor Klein has also worked in the information systems field at IBM, Exxon, and AMP.

We are pleased to announce publication of the January 2024 issue of the journal. This issue includes an enhanced version of an articles by Qinhui Wang, Andy Luse, and Julie Rursch titled “The Longitudinal Impact of IT Self- Efficacy and Interest on Intent to Major” that received one of the best paper awards at the 2023 annual conference held at Metro State University.

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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 jēm 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.

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.

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

Editor-in-Chief  Barbara Klein, University of Michigan, Dearborn

Managing Editor  Rassule Hadidi, Metro State University

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 a monetary prize from MWAIS.
Call for Papers

The latest issue of the Journal of the Midwest Association for Information Systems (JMWAIS) was published in January 2024. Submission deadline for the January issue is closed. We invite you to submit a manuscript for review for the next issue to be published in July 2024. 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 19th Annual Conference of the Midwest United States Association for Information Systems (MWAIS) will be hosted by the Foster College of Business at Bradley University in Peoria, IL.

Dates: May 16-17, 2024  
Website: [www.mwais2024.com](http://www.mwais2024.com)  
Conference Chair: Jacob Young, jayoung@bradley.edu

**Deadlines:**

Submission system opens: January 1, 2024  
Full-length and Research-in-progress papers: March 1, 2024  
Panels, Workshops, and Tutorial Proposals: March 8, 2024  
Peer Reviews Due: March 29, 2024  
Notification of Acceptance/Rejection: April 1, 2024  
Author(s) Registration Deadline: April 16, 2024  
Final Submission Deadline for Camera-Ready Copy: April 26, 2024

AMCIS 2024 will be hosted in Salt Lake City, Utah. It aims to address the pressing challenges surrounding digital equity and social entrepreneurship. In an increasingly interconnected world, the issue of digital equity remains a critical concern, with significant disparities in access to technology and digital resources, particularly in marginalized communities. Ensuring equal opportunities for all individuals to
participate in the digital age becomes crucial to foster inclusive growth and social progress. Additionally, as we delve into the realm of social entrepreneurship, we confront the complexities of creating sustainable business models that prioritize social impact, aiming to effect positive change in local and global communities. By acknowledging these challenges and collectively exploring solutions, this conference seeks to pave the way for a more equitable and socially conscious digital future. Visit amcis2024.aisconferences.org for more.

Past MWAIS conferences

Past MWAIS conferences have been great successes, hosted by:

2023 – College of Management, Metro State University – St. Paul, MN
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.
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