CALL FOR PARTICIPATION

Early Career Colloquium, to be held Saturday, November 15, 2025

88th Annual Meeting
Association for Information Science and Technology
November 14-18, 2025
Washington, DC, USA

Important Dates: Deadline for submission: 9 June 2025 | Decisions made: 11 August 2025

We invite early career faculty (Assistant Professors and Postdoctoral researchers) to participate in the 2025 ASIS&T Early Career Colloquium, which will take place as part of the 2025 Annual Meeting of the Association for Information Science and Technology on Saturday morning, November 15. This Early Career Colloquium will facilitate an invigorated discourse with peers and a panel of experienced faculty serving as mentors. This half-day event is intended for early career faculty whose work align with ASIS&T-related research area. Early career faculty working in these areas are encouraged to apply. The Early Career Colloquium is free, but all accepted participants **must register during the early bird registration period** to participate in the Early Career Colloquium.

The Early Career Colloquium is designed to cultivate a nurturing environment that encourages the growth and development of early career faculty in the information field. Its overarching goal is to build a supportive community where early career faculty can network and learn from senior faculty (mentors) that are outside of their own institution, strengthen professional networks with one another and with mentors, and gain insights into balancing academic responsibilities of research, teaching, and service. This Early Career Colloquium will facilitate the sharing of best practices to navigate the complexities of academia, emphasizing the importance of interdisciplinary research, innovation, and societal impact. The Early Career Colloquium seeks to attract early career faculty members who are not only passionate about their research but are also looking to develop their teaching skills and explore service opportunities within the academic community. Mentors will be invited after the selection of colloquium participants are finalized, aiming to ensure a wide range of mentors' experiences, career trajectory, as well as diversity of geography, race, and gender that is representative of the ASIS&T community. Prior to the conference, a few preparatory activities are required to enable organizers to plan the colloquium. More information and agenda for the colloquium will be forthcoming once participants are selected.

The colloquium aims to create a safe space for all participants to share and discuss what can be at times very personal experiences. Participants and mentors will be asked to commit to confidentiality in order to ensure everyone is comfortable during the colloquium. Submissions by participants will not be posted publicly and will not be shared with anyone outside of the colloquium.

How to apply?

To apply, please submit the following two documents in PDF format using the ASIS&T conference submission system by June 9, 2025. All materials must be in English.

- (1) A single document (maximum of 3 pages single spaced, 12 point font) describing:
 - a. Your name, current institution and position, how long have you been in this position
 - b. Educational background
 - c. Current research (brief overview, problem statement, research questions, etc.)
 - d. Career and professional goals for the next 3-5 years
 - e. A list of career-related questions/challenges that you hope to discuss at the Early Career Colloquium
 - f. What you hope to gain from participating in the Early Career Colloquium
- (2) Your current CV, including links to your websites, blog or other public web presence (if available)

We will need your written permission to share your submission above with the mentor(s) that will be working with you during the Early Career Colloquium.

Chairs:

Dr. Mega Subramaniam, University of Maryland, College Park, USA

Dr. Diane Kelly, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, USA