

SIG ANNUAL ACTIVITIES REPORT
and SIG-OF-THE-YEAR CRITERIA AND CHECKLIST

Please use this form and checklist to file your SIG Activities Report and to apply for SIG-of-the-Year. SIGs wishing to be considered for SIG of the Year and/or requesting funds rollover must submit this form by August 15th; all other SIGs must submit by September 15th.

Submit this form online: http://www.softconf.com/asist/SIG_of_the_Year/submit.html

SIG NAME (and acronym): History and Foundation of Information Science

REPORT SUBMITTED BY (name):Michael Buckland (office) Chair

ACTIVITY PERIOD: 2009-2010

CURRENT OFFICERS:

Chair (required): Michael Buckland

Other Officers: Vice Chair & Chair-Elect: Julian Warner

Secretary: Christine Angel

Immediate Past Chair: Robert V. Williams

Other SIG positions:

Webmaster: Thomas Haigh

Communications Officers: Kathryn La Barre and Jonathan Furner

1. Did your SIG hold a planning meeting at the last annual meeting? Yes No

2. Who represented your SIG at the SIG Cabinet meeting at the last ASIS&T annual meeting?

Name Julian Warner Office Vice Chair- Chair-Elect and Trudi Hahn

3. Who attended the All-SIGs Planning Lunch at the last ASIS&T annual meeting?

Name Michael Buckland Office Chair

4. Please list the names of new leaders in your SIG who may be interested in getting involved in other areas of ASIS&T:

5. Describe any efforts your SIG made especially designed to recruit new members or retain members (e.g., welcome letters, calls or visits, etc.).

Participation in the SIG rush event;
Design and distribution at registration of a SIG logo sticker.
Maintaining the SIG listserv to keep members informed.

6. What programs, including those presented at ASIST Annual, did your SIG sponsor or cosponsor during the activity period? (e.g, continuing education programs, regional meetings, promotional activities for your SIG or ASIS&T, career guidance, ongoing services, etc.). Please list the name of the program, speakers involved, date and location, estimated attendance, revenue and expenses, a brief description of each program, and other participating organizations or ASIS&T units, if applicable.

SIG HFIS organized three panel sessions

- Documentation and Communication in Aboriginal/Indigenous Cultures
- New Directions in Information History
- Narratives, Facts, and Events in the Foundations of Information Science

SIG HFIS also co-sponsored two panel sessions:

- Towards Positive Information Science?
- Panel session on on Metatheoretical Snowmen

SIG HFIS also organized two panel sessions accepted for the 2010 Annual Meeting:

- Repositioning Information Science
- Trends and Issues in the History of Information Science and Technology and the ASIS&T History fund Awards Showcase

7. Describe the publications your SIG produced during the activity period (e.g., newsletters, technical publications, pathfinders, joint publications, etc.). Briefly describe those publications here, indicate the publication frequency and intended audience, and enclose a copy of each publication (or provide the URL) with this report.

8. Describe your SIG's participation in other noteworthy activities during the period (e.g., participation in a public effort, such as, legislative hearing, standards committee, representation at meetings of other organizations, etc.).

9. Please include any other comments you would like to make about your SIG's activities during the period.

Although neither activity is strictly speaking a SIG activity, the leaders of SIG HFIS have played prominent roles in two activities that promote the SIG's interests:

1. Establishing and maintaining the ASIST History Fund and organization of the competition for two awards: The ASIST History Fund Research Grant Award and the ASIST History Fund Research Paper Award; and
2. Assisting the development of the MIT Press monograph series *History and Foundations of Information Science* which has been modeled in this SIG's interests.