

Message from the Workshops' & Program Chairs



Welcome to the 2012 Graduate Student Workshop! This full day workshop will take place on July 7th, 2012, and will comprise of presentations by selected students pursuing research in some aspect of evolutionary computation. The intention of the workshop is to give students an opportunity to hone their presentation skills, to get important feedback on their research and to network with other researchers in the evolutionary computing field.

Students will present their work to an audience that will include a 'mentor'

panel of established researchers in evolutionary computation. Presentations will be followed by a question and discussion period led by the mentor panel. Students with papers accepted for the workshop should prepare 30 minute oral presentations, with 15 minutes for questions and discussion immediately following the presentation. The presentations should discuss the material presented in the papers, but can also discuss larger research goals and plans for input from the workshop participants. Students are encouraged to use this opportunity to not just present the results of a single experiment, but to use the opportunity to get feedback on their larger research goals.



The goal of the workshop is to assist students with their overall research: methodology, goals, and plans. Students will also receive feedback on their presentation style. Other attendees will benefit by learning about current research, engaging in technical discussions and meeting researchers with related interests. Other students are encouraged to attend as a means of strengthening their own research.

Students are also invited present their work as a poster at the evening Poster Session - an excellent opportunity to network with industry and academic members of the community.

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