



ASIS&T McGill Student Chapter Townhall

Open to all students and faculty

Tuesday February 16, 2021

9:30 AM (EST)

Online via Zoom

TOWNHALL: We are pleased to have Prof. Naresh Agarwal, President-Elect of ASIS&T & Professor at Simmons University, SLIS, Prof. Sam Chu, Director of Chapter Assembly, Terrence Curtiss, Lead for Chapters at ASIS&T headquarters join us in a virtual Townhall, and Dr. Aylin Imeri, SIG Cabinet Deputy Director.

This Townhall is aimed at bringing all ASIS&T members and alumni, as well as prospective members together to learn more about the [ASIS&T McGill Chapter](#) and [ASIS&T International](#).

Our invited speakers will speak about ASIS&T success stories, particularly how getting involved in ASIS&T can help to **strategically position students to stand out in the LIS Job market**, either as academics or as professionals. Come with any question you have regarding ASIS&T McGill and ASIS&T International and be better informed about the opportunities that abound for you as a member of the association, both locally and internationally.

GIVEAWAY: Two ASIS&T membership fees worth \$60 each! You must attend the event to enter the drawing.

JOIN ZOOM MEETING

<https://mcgill.zoom.us/j/89494221433?pwd=Z0NOZGovSE51QjVLTfY3ZnRCQjBoUT09>

Meeting ID: 894 9422 1433 Passcode: 910183

NO REGISTRTION FEE: Free and open to all master's, doctoral students, and faculty, including ASIS&T members, Alumni, and non-members.

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SPEAKERS:

Naresh Agarwal

Naresh Agarwal is an Associate Professor and Director of the Information Science & Technology Concentration at the School of Library & Information Science at Simmons University, Boston, USA. He received his Ph.D. from the National University of Singapore. Naresh's research area is information behavior and knowledge management. His first book 'Exploring Context in Information Behavior' was published in 2018. His second book, 'You know the glory, not the story: 25 Journeys towards Ikigai' is coming out in 2021. He has been a keynote/invited speaker at workshops and conferences in the U.S., Japan, France, India, Pakistan, Bangladesh, and South Africa. Currently the President-elect of ASIS&T, Naresh has been a member of its Board of Directors, Director of the Chapter Assembly, Conference Co-Chair, Chair of multiple SIGs, and founder of the South Asia chapter. He was awarded the James M. Cretsos Leadership Award in 2012. Prior to his PhD, Naresh worked in the industry for six years in technology roles, and likes to paint in watercolor and oil. You can learn more about him at web.simmons.edu/~agarwal and projectionessworld.com.

Sam Chu

Dr. Chu is an Associate Professor at the Faculty of Education, The University of Hong Kong (HKU). He was the Head of Division of Information and Technology Studies (2013-16). He has obtained 2 PhDs in Education – one focusing on e-Learning from University College London, Institute of Education and another one focusing on Information and Library Science from HKU. His areas of expertise include gamified learning, 21st Century Skills, and Social Media in Education. He has been involved in over 60 research projects with a total funding of US\$ 9,375,918. He has published more than 390 articles and books, and appeared in over 90 international academic journals. This includes key journals in the area of e-Learning, information and library science, school/academic librarianship and knowledge management. Furthermore, Dr. Chu is the Co-Founder and Co-Editor for the journal Information and Learning Sciences. He is also a Member of the Humanities and Social Sciences Panel of the Research Grants Council of HK and a Member of Curriculum Development Council Committee on Learning Resources & Support Services, Education Bureau. He has received many awards including the Faculty Outstanding Researcher Award in 2013, Faculty's Knowledge Exchange Award in 2016 and Excellent Health Promotion Project Award from Food and Health Bureau in 2017. He is the world's 66th highest contributor to publications in library and information science between 2007-12 and has achieved an h-index of 35 over the years. He has been a Consultant for UNESCO Bangkok, EDB, Oxford University Press, Pearson Education Asia, and is currently serving as the ASIS&T Director of Chapter Assembly (2020-2021). He is also an Advisor for EdTech startups at HK Science and Technology Parks and the Founding Chairman of Academy 22 Education for All Foundation.

Aylin Imeri

Dr. Aylin Imeri (Ilhan) is head of the Information Science Department at the Heinrich Heine University Düsseldorf, Germany. She is working on activity- and fitness tracker, health information behavior, and social media. She teaches bachelor and master courses (e.g., social media marketing, statistics, scientific writing). She guest-edited two special issues of the *Aslib Journal of Information Management* (e.g., *Emerging Perspectives on Health Information Needs*), she (co-chaired) several sessions in respect to health information behavior and activity tracking technologies, including the Health Information Behavior and Activity Tracking Technologies minitrack at HICSS-53, and Self-Quantification with Activity Tracking Technologies: Opportunities and Threats (HICSS-54) last year. She organized together with international colleagues, Dr. Yuanyuan Feng, Professor Dr. Elizabeth V. Eikey, and Dr. Kaja J. Fietkiewicz a panel at the Annual Meeting of the Association for Information Science and Technology (2020). She also reviewed submissions for the ASIS&T Annual Meeting several years. She is the recipient of the Association for Information Science and Technology (ASIS&T) James M. Cretsos Award 2020 and one of the co-founders of the ASIS&T Special Interest Group of Social Media (SIG SM). She was awarded as Chapter Member of the year (2021) and is still active as webmaster (SIG Social Media) and Past-Chair within the European Chapter. This year, she is serving as SIG Cabinet Deputy Director.