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PANEL 11

CURRENT RESEARCH BY IS DOCTORAL STUDENTS: A FORUM AND REPORT FROM THE ICIS DOCTORAL CONSORTIUM

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Panelists: Suzanne Rivard, Ecole des Hautes Etudes Commerciales, Canada
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This panel is based upon the assumption that the future of academic information systems will be shaped by current doctoral students. Therefore, it seems appropriate that more should be known about who they are, their research plans, and their thinking about the linkage of these plans with their academic futures. The panel will explore current trends in research by IS doctoral students. It will provide an overview of the key topics being studied and methods being used to study them. It will also address the topics and methods not being researched and explore why. Finally, the panel will provide an overview of the doctoral consortium results through the comments of faculty and students that participated.

The panel will actively involve the audience in discussion of these issues and related ones. Faculty from the ICIS Doctoral Consortium will be in the audience as will the Consortium doctoral students. All doctoral students are invited to attend this panel because it may significantly alter, or reinforce, your plans and thinking about IS research and your career.

Three questions will be addressed to the audience.

1. What topics and methods are being addressed in dissertation research and why? What topics and methods are not being addressed and why not?
2. What is the linkage between the choice of dissertation topics and expectations about future career paths or opportunities? Is this linkage leading the field in fruitful directions?
3. What topics and methodologies would help doctoral students the most in their future careers and what would most enhance IS as a field of study?