

# CIT Session Formats and Presentation Ratings

## Session Formats:

1. Presentations (30 minutes in length)
2. Panels (45-60 minutes in length and more than 2 presenters)
3. Posters (60 Minutes in length)
4. Birds of a Feather (60 minutes in length)
5. Conference Workshops (60 - 90 minutes)
6. Vendor Presentation (30 minutes in length and for participating vendors only)

## Session Format Descriptions

### Presentations

Presentations are 30 minutes in length. Presentations could consist of academic paper and/or demonstrations. Q & A is strongly encouraged. Each presenter will receive feedback forms from the audience after his/her presentation. It is recommended that there are no more than 2 speakers for this format.

### Panels

Panels are 45-60 minutes in length and consist of a coordinated presentation of related paper and/or discussion by three or four speakers, each offering a perspective on a common issue(s) with time for Q&A. A panel should include a coordinator who submits an abstract describing the common theme and listing the individual presenters and their topics. Use of supporting technology, audience participation, and state of the art topics are strongly encouraged.

### Posters

Poster Gallery will be available throughout the conference. A 30-minute session will be scheduled for presenters to share information and answer questions from the attendees.

### Birds of a Feather (BOF)

Birds of a Feather sessions are 60 minutes in length. Participants share problems and solutions regarding topics or products of broad general interest to the academic community. This session should be such that it will stimulate considerable audience participation. BOF participants should be ready to share experiences, learn best practices, and discuss topics of common interest. Facilitated by the session proposer, BOF's are small group sessions, guided discussions, and spur informal group interactions.

### Conference Workshops

Conference workshops are 60 - 90 minutes in length and include the participation of a limited number of pre-registered attendees in learning activities designed to develop their expertise in a specific area.

Hands on activities are highly encouraged. For longer workshops, feel free to break up into more than one part. Workshops may be scheduled for the week prior to or the week following CIT.

### Vendor Presentation

Vendor Track presentations will be 30 minutes in length and will ideally tie into one of the conference themes. Vendors who wish to present must submit an abstract of their presentation that includes, or is in conjunction with, an institute of higher learning, who has used the product / service in an innovative manner to improve the teaching and learning environment. We invite you to present the innovation, its development, implementation, outcome, and the effectiveness of the technology in higher education.

### Presentation Ratings:

#### \* - Introductory

This session will present concepts that require either no knowledge or a basic level of computing/technology knowledge. Participants will understand concepts without having discipline-specific knowledge.

#### \*\* - Intermediate

This session will present concepts that require an introductory to intermediate level of computing/technology knowledge. Discipline-specific concepts may be presented.

#### \*\*\* - Advanced

This session will present concepts that require an advanced understanding of computing and technology. Discipline-specific knowledge will be presented.