From The Chair

Greetings,

Speaking on behalf of the Student Working Group Executive Committee, we are looking forward to seeing you at our Student Working Group events at the AMIA 2011 Annual Symposium October 22-26. We are eager to meet each of you and we have planned events to facilitate you making connections with your student-colleagues. We hope you make the most of these opportunities to get together with like-minded students to discuss your work, your career development, and new ideas in informatics.

We look forward to seeing you at the Student Working Group events and we expect you will find these events informative. Lead by Rupa Valdez, a dedicated group of Student Working Group members have been planning these events for this year’s Symposium. More information about these events is on the back page of this newsletter. We would like you to join us at these events and consider contributing your time and expertise to the Student Working Group in the coming year. We look forward to meeting you!

Best regards,
Paulina
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From The Editors

We would like to announce the change in the editorial team. After serving one year as the editor-in-chief, Mustafa Ozkaynak hands over his position to our deputy editor, Edmond Ramly. Effective 2012, Edmond will be the editor-in-chief. We will continue bringing you high quality newsletters. Please remember to send us your contributions so that we can share your experiences and ideas with the rest of the readership! You can reach Edmond at ramly@wisc.edu.

Stay informed!

The Editors

Member Contributions

Launching a Health Informatics Organization

In February 2011, students at the University of Michigan founded the Health Informatics Society. The Health Informatics Society (HISO) is a student organization that serves as a forum for community-building, skill development, networking, and student projects in the growing field of health informatics. HISO is open to current students, faculty, staff, and alumni across the University who share an interest in health informatics. Thus far, we have held a well-attended panel on the future of health informatics. During this event, practitioners in consumer informatics, clinical informatics, community health informatics, bioinformatics, and health librarianship spoke about their work to students and staff. This year, we will plan and host numerous additional events.

The founding of the Health Informatics Society is part of a larger effort by the University of Michigan’s School of Information and School of Public Health to found a graduate program in health informatics. The program was developed in response to the growing demand for
individuals with fundamental knowledge and skills in both information science and public health. It joins the expertise of the School of Public Health’s faculty in population health, health policy, and individual health behaviors with the School of Information’s expertise in human-centered design and the development, implementation, and evaluation of information resources.

The members and leadership of HISO are interested in hearing from students in the AMIA student working group who participate or have participated in organizations similar to HISO. We are eager to learn from you and share our experiences! Perhaps there are opportunities to collaborate, share resources, and grow from each other’s expertise. To contact HISO, please email hiso-admin@umich.edu.

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AMIA Educational Meetings

**2012 Joint Summits on Translational Science**
http://www.amia.org/jointsummits2012
Parc 55 Hotel
San Francisco, California

**Nursing Informatics 2012**
http://www.ni2012.org/
June 23-27, 2012
Hilton Montreal Bonaventure
Montreal, Canada

**AMIA 2012 Annual Symposium**
November 3-7, 2012
Hilton Chicago
Chicago, Illinois

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**AMIA 2011 Annual Symposium**

**Student Working Group Activities**

Come get involved with the student working group! We're looking for students at any level with any amount of time to give. We have several activities planned for the symposium. Please join us!

Sunday, October 23
7:30pm Business Meeting
9:00pm Drinks and Conversation Veritas Wine Bar (2031 Florida Avenue NW) We'll walk over together after the business meeting)

Monday, October 24
12:15pm Lunch and an informal continuation of the business meeting Thaiphoon (2011 S Street Northwest) Meet in the front lobby at 12:00pm if you'd like to walk there with us

Wednesday, October 26
8:30am Panel: Outlook for Student Informaticists in the era of HITECH

We'd also love any pictures that you take of student working group members during the symposium. Please take pictures and email them to the STWG National Meetings Chair, Rupa Valdez at rvaldez@wisc.edu.

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**2011 Fall Symposium STWG Business Meeting**

7:30-7:35 – Welcome and Introductions
7:35-7:40 – “A few words from our sponsor …”
7:40-7:45 – AMIA Student Recruitment/Outreach Plans
7:45-7:55 – Chair Report – State of the Working Group
7:55-8:05 – Report from Student representative to the AMIA Board
8:05-8:15 – Overview of AMIA for Students with testimonials from couple of STWG members regarding their involvement in other WGs
8:15-8:30 – Getting involved with the student working group
8:30 – Walk to social gathering.