



ANNOUNCEMENT AND CALL FOR PAPERS

**“Distributed Cognition: Teams, Technology, Family, and the Individual”
Annual Mid-Year Symposium
March 6-7, 2008, George Mason University, Fairfax, Virginia**



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**AMERICAN PSYCHOLOGICAL ASSOCIATION
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The **theme** of the 2008 symposium is **“Distributed Cognition: Teams, Technology, Family, and the Individual.”** The aim is to explore the challenges in understanding and predicting human behavior given the growing trend towards shared work and coordination across time and space. The keynote address will be given by **Dr. Eduardo Salas**, a Professor of Psychology at the University of Central Florida where he also holds an appointment as Principal Scientist for human factors at the Institute for Simulation and Training. Research contributions supporting the theme of Distributed Cognition are encouraged. Potential presentations and posters will be selected with respect to how well subtopic areas including but not limited to: soldier deployment issues, stress and decision-making, human automation interaction, training, culture, leadership, and clinical issues support the overall theme of “Distributed Cognition: Teams, Technology, Family, and the Individual.”

In addition, we will be inviting specific presentations for a **poster session** to showcase work in progress as well as a **simulation session**. For the simulation session, we invite labs to showcase experimental platforms that may be of interest to other research organizations. A submission for both the poster and simulation sessions is still required and should follow the general symposium submission format.

Single page submissions must contain the following information:

- 1) Submission title (not to exceed 12 words)
- 2) Author(s) and affiliation(s) with student authors clearly identified
- 3) 250-word abstract concisely describing the presentation or poster
- 4) Preferred format (oral presentation, poster, or simulation)
- 5) Primary point of contact information (email address, phone)

Send submissions via email by 23 January 2008 to apa.programchairs@gmail.com

Please note: Awards will be given for best undergraduate and graduate papers and posters. Registration and local arrangement information will be available at the Div 21 web site in early December <http://www.apa.org/divisions/div21/homepage.html> under the Meetings tab. The Potomac Chapter will again sponsor a dinner meeting with a guest speaker on Thursday Evening 6 March 2008. Acceptance notices will be sent by 8 February 2008. A preliminary agenda will be available at the Div 21, Div 19, and Potomac Chapter web sites in early February. Please address questions to your program chairs Joe McLaine and Ericka Rovira at apa.programchairs@gmail.com

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