

## EID Editor Candidates Sought

Are you interested in assisting in the dissemination of applied human factors/ergonomics work to practitioners and others involved in HF/E work? Would you like to be part of the Society's vital outreach efforts? The HFES Communications Subcouncil (David Post and Paul Green) invites applications from volunteers interested in becoming editor of *Ergonomics in Design* for the three-year term beginning January 1, 2004.

The editor is responsible for the quality of the magazine's content, with the objective of covering a wide variety of balanced and timely topics of interest to human factors/ergonomics practitioners. The editor works with an editorial board consisting of associate editors and department editors to monitor the quality and timeliness of reviews; invites articles or develops article ideas on a range of topics, especially underrepresented topics; helps the staff to set an editorial calendar each year; evaluates the submissions and their reviews and makes final accept/reject decisions; and collaborates with an editorial development team and the AEs to ensure a steady stream of submissions.

Currently *EID* receives 30-40 articles per year, though it is hoped this number can be increased through the efforts of the editor, development editors, and editorial board members. The editor receives an annual honorarium and is reimbursed for some expenses. All administrative and editorial production support is provided by the HFES Communications Department, which manages the peer review process (including forwarding all correspondence between the editor and authors) and is responsible for all production matters.

To apply, please go to the *EID* Web page, <http://hfes.org/publications/EID.html>, where you will find a list of questions for candidates. Send your responses to Lois Smith ([lois@hfes.org](mailto:lois@hfes.org)) by *July 11, 2003*, for forwarding to the subcouncil members. This will enable them to make a recommendation for the Executive Council's October meeting in Denver. The incoming editor will be asked to join the Editorial Board in October and assume responsibilities of the editorship on January 5, 2004.

Feel free to contact Lois (310/394-1811) if you have questions about the processes, scheduling, or other details of the job. We look forward to receiving your application. ☒

## Intent to Release ANSI Draft Standard for Trial Use

The Human Factors and Ergonomics Society (HFES) announces the intent to release parts of the HFES 200 project as an American National Standards Institute (ANSI) Draft Standard for Trial Use (DSTU). The title is *Human Factors Engineering of Software User Interfaces*. The Society plans to release Parts 1, 2, 3, and 5 as ANSI DSTUs by July 31, 2003.

The purpose of the HFES 200 standard is to define ergonomic design requirements and recommendations that facilitate the development of software user interfaces that are more usable, accessible, and consistent and that enable greater productivity and satisfaction.

The HFES 200 software user interface standard consists of five parts:

- HFES 200.1: Introduction – Guidance on the utilization of individual parts in the software development process.
- HFES 200.2: Accessibility – Recommendations for computer operating systems, drivers, and applications that increase the accessibility of applications for users with disabilities.
- HFES 200.3: Interaction Techniques – Ergonomic requirements for the design of user interaction including menu dialogs, form-filling dialogs, direct manipulation, command dialogs, and user guidance.
- HFES 200.4: Visual Presentation – Recommendations for use of color and visual design planned for release at a future date.
- HFES 200.5: Interactive Voice Response (IVR) – Ergonomic requirements for the design of voice-based user interfaces for IVR systems addressing input techniques, error handling, human operator access, prompting, messages, and output techniques.

Any person who objects to the release of these documents as DSTUs must contact HFES Executive Director Lynn Strother, P.O. Box 1369, Santa Monica, CA 90406-1369; 310/394 1811, fax 310/394-2410; [lynn@hfes.org](mailto:lynn@hfes.org). Please include an explanation of why you object. The cutoff date for receipt of objections is July 31, 2003. No objections can be accepted after this date. ☒

## PEOPLE

**Valerie J. Gawron** was recently named a 2003 Veridian Fellow in recognition of her exemplary dedication to the field of human factors engineering, and for demonstrating an extraordinary record of technical achievement and innovation in that field. As part of the Fellow designation, Dr. Gawron may devote 20% of her time on the job working on business-related projects of her choice for the remainder of the year. She may be contacted at 150 N. Airport Dr., Buffalo, NY 14225; 716/631-6916, fax 716/631-6990; [valerie.gawron@veridian.com](mailto:valerie.gawron@veridian.com)

**Robert Simon** recently began work at the Center for Medical Simulation in Cambridge, Massachusetts, as a senior scientist. His new address is Center for Medical Simulation, 65 Landsdowne St., Cambridge, MA 02139; 617/768-8902, fax 617/768-8915; [rsimon@harvardmedsim.org](mailto:rsimon@harvardmedsim.org). ☒



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