

The NISS Affiliates Program together with the NISS-SAMSI Affiliates Program brings together statistical and mathematical science professionals from all sectors - academia, industry, government /national lab – to support research discussions, information dissemination, human resource development and networking.

Principal Benefits of Affiliate Membership

NISS and SAMSI Privileges

- Priority registration
 - o For **every** large NISS and SAMSI conference and workshop: one guaranteed acceptance for each Affiliate
 - o For small (<45 attendees) NISS or SAMSI conferences and workshops: two Affiliate acceptances per year guaranteed
- Registration fee waiver
 - o For all NISS conferences and workshops and SAMSI conferences with fees – waivers with guaranteed acceptances **plus** an additional waiver for one early career researcher with each senior Affiliate registrant
- SAMSI Program development
 - o Affiliates' Liaison on each SAMSI Program Leaders Committee
 - o Invitation to nominate Affiliate representative to SAMSI Program Leaders Committee
- Shared SAMSI postdoctoral fellows* (e.g., Year 1 at SAMSI; Year 2 at Affiliate, shared support)
 - *: see <http://www.samsi.info/opportunities/post-docs>

NISS-Affiliate Partnerships

- Tailored to meet Affiliate's needs, and goals
- Working directly with potential NISS or Affiliate partners: Projects either on-site at NISS or on-site at Affiliate

Annual Affiliates Meeting

- Held in conjunction with national society meeting or with a NISS or SAMSI hosted or sponsored conference
- NISS directly supports Affiliate Liaison's expenses - up to travel plus one night at hotel
- Program Planning - Affiliates' discussion of Special Topics for workshops with prioritization
- Preliminary NISS and SAMSI program development
- Cross-sector technical program
- Meeting with NISS Postdoctoral Fellows

NISS and/or SAMSI Special Topics Workshops

- Annually, Industry Affiliates propose topics and determine priorities for one or more Special Topics Workshops
 - o Explorations Workshops engage a small cadre of senior researchers with problem holders to discern the role of Statistics in a new or burgeoning area of primary interest to Industry Affiliates
 - o Hard Problem Days engage a collection of academic and other research statisticians in defining approaches to solving hard statistical problems at the core of specific Industry issues
 - o Typically, workshops are organized by NISS and/or SAMSI with leadership drawn from Industry Affiliates

Affiliate's Award Funds

- An Affiliate Award Fund for travel to NISS, SAMSI and NISS- or SAMSI- sponsored meetings is opened with \$2500 at membership and augmented by \$2500 at every renewal. (National professional society meetings, e.g., JSM, SIAM, IMS, ENAR, etc., are *not* eligible for travel support.)
- An Affiliate's Award can also (up to \$1,000) support a conference at the affiliate with NISS or SAMSI co-sponsorship
- Deposited funds are available for up to 24 months following deposit provided Affiliate remains active.
- Funds to be expended upon request by Affiliate's designated Liaison.

NISS and SAMSI Websites

- NISS Newsletter and NISS website highlight one Affiliate each quarter
- Affiliates Webpages – NISS website
 - o Calendar of SAMSI and NISS programming development cycle and current events
 - o Early notice of program opportunities
 - o Advertisement of Affiliate open positions
- Links to Affiliates' websites on NISS webpages

Industry Affiliate Program membership is \$10,000