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Become An Academic Underwriter TIME IS RUNNING OUT

Underwriters of the Grace Hopper Celebration are recognized as leaders in diversity.

Schools: Become an Academic Underwriter!

Benefits include:

- Exhibit space at the conference
- Interaction with a large, dynamic group of top technical women
- A place to showcase your senior women and your commitment to their success
- Affiliation with a scholarship program for young technical women
- The opportunity to send a strong recruitment message on your current and future needs
- Access to a resume database of conference attendees

[Download](#) the complete benefits. [Sign up online by August 11!](#)

Great Ways To Find A Job at GHC: Submit Your Resume Today

The Grace Hopper Celebration offers many ways for attendees to look for new jobs and internships. If that sounds appealing to you, just follow these simple steps.

1. Submit your resume to the Resume Database. Just fill out our [online form](#). Sponsors will begin accessing resumes on August 8th.

2. Sponsors will begin setting up interviews with GHC attendees in August. Submit your resume early so you don't miss this opportunity.
3. Registering for the Resume Clinic, sponsored by Thomson Reuters, is another important step. When you [register for GHC](#), sign up for a slot at the Resume Clinic. You will be able to have your resume reviewed by experienced human resource and staffing professionals. Bring at least two copies of your resumes use in editing. Not only will your resume be reviewed but the Resume Clinic is a great way to connect with recruiters from major tech companies and government labs.
4. When you are at GHC be sure to visit our sponsors in the exhibit area. You will be able to talk one on one with [GHC sponsors](#) and also set up interviews with representatives from some of the most acclaimed tech companies and academic institutions in the world.

With this list you are sure to make the most of your job search at GHC. [Submit your resume](#) today.



Resume Clinic sponsored by

Get Involved. Make a Difference:

A Case Study of a Successful Field Trip

Role models and field trips are key to encouraging girls in technology, science and engineering. They expand girls' career options and help them see how careers in technical fields can be compatible with their life goals and personal values. We encourage you to get involved and reach out to girls who could be the programmers of tomorrow-if only they knew more about the field.

On a field trip, 30 girls from Lincoln Elementary School in Oakland, California had the opportunity to visit Yahoo! These girls are part of Techbridge, an after-school program that encourages girls in technology, science and engineering. Sponsored by Chabot Space & Science Center, Techbridge serves 400 girls in grades 5-12 in schools in Oakland and surrounding communities.

The field trip to Yahoo! had all the elements for a successful field trip: keeping it personal and interactive and providing academic and career guidance. The day started with an official welcome from role models who led the girls in a "Hello Yahoo!" cheer and got the girls moving around with the icebreaker "Put Yourself on the Line" that highlighted fun facts about Yahoo!'s search engine and the services it offers users.

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Sponsor GHC Scholarships

This week, ABI awarded 134 scholarships to highly deserving students for the 2009 Grace Hopper Celebration. However, we had over 900 scholarship applications, and we still have a waiting list of 75 highly skilled students that seek a scholarship to the Grace Hopper Celebration. It is not too late to underwrite scholarships for some very deserving and talented women in computing--we are working hard to secure additional scholarship support. A scholarship for one US student to underwrite registration, hotel for 4 nights, and travel funds is \$1,650. If you are interested, please contact Jody Mahoney jodym@anitaborg.org

The CONNECT Project Returns to GHC

The [CONNECT project](#), sponsored by [ACM-W](#), will return to the Grace Hopper Celebration for the second year. With CONNECT, GHC 2009 attendees can set professional networking goals before the conference begins (meet recruiters, professors, computer

Why I'm Glad I Went to GHC

We want to share success stories from past Grace Hopper Celebration attendees. If you have a story please send it in to jerrib@anitaborg.org. We'll be sharing these stories in our upcoming newsletters.

Our third story is from Xiaoyuan (Vivian) Xu:

It was such an amazing experience attending Grace Hopper Celebration 2008. It brought me so many opportunities.

In the conference, I attended one session held by IBM, during which I got to talk with many IBMers and learned more about IBM's culture. Afterward, I signed up on their recruiting sheet and got a chance to talk to the recruiter in person.

Coming back to school after the conference, I started applying for co-op positions. Based on all that I learned about IBM, I felt it would be a very nice place to work. Thus I decided to give myself a try and submitted my resume on their website. Shortly after, I received an email from an IBM recruiter, in which she said she got my information from GHC2008 and also encouraged me to apply for a job in IBM. I replied the email saying that I have already applied the position in IBM Canada. To my surprise, she replied my email and asked for the my applicationID and promised that she would give me a reference. After emailing her back with my application ID, I got an interview opportunity very soon. And eventually, I got an 8-month co-op opportunity in IBM, Vancouver. Currently, I am experiencing such a nice co-op term at PDC, IBM, Vancouver.

Besides the connection that I established during GHC2008 that helped me to get this co-op position, volunteering for GHC2008 is a highlight added to my resume. It definitely helped me to win a Microsoft Scholarship 2009 and become a 2009 Google Anita Borg Memorial Scholarship Finalist.

Hopefully, my story will be used to inspire more attendees to GHC2009.

Thanks!

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scientists), and then receive assistance to achieve those goals throughout the conference. After the conference ends, all CONNECT participants receive the contact information of attendees that they connected with during the conference. The CONNECT system helps attendees meet an important documented benefit of GHC, creating a strong professional network.

When you register for GHC be sure to enroll in CONNECT.



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GHC Scholarship and Hopper Update

Scholarship decisions were emailed on Friday, July 17th. If you did not receive your email please check your [scholarship account](#).

If you didn't receive a GHC scholarship be sure to [apply to be a Hopper](#). GHC Hoppers are given free registration to the Grace Hopper Celebration and a GHC T-Shirt in exchange for 8 hours of your time during the conference. Hopper applications must be submitted by August 11th.

GHC Poster Session

The 2009 GHC Poster Session has become a record breaking event. We now have over 100 posters being exhibited on a wide range of topics that reflect the GHC conference theme: Creating Technology for Social Good. Come join us on Wednesday evening for the GHC Poster Session. Topics include:

- Building Free Software Tools to Help People with Disabilities Today
- Empowering Individuals to Change the World: Leveraging Technology to Make Employee Giving Easy
- Poetry and Prose Performances Project
- Using Clustering Techniques for Creating Accountable Health Care Groups

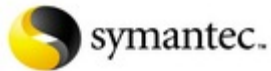
Free GHC Childcare Register by September 2nd

Once again, free childcare will be provided at GHC. We encourage attendees to take advantage of this valuable service which is sponsored this year by NetApp. We do ask that you [register for childcare](#) by September 2nd so we can have the appropriate number of staff. NetApp was ranked #1 in the Fortune 100 Best Places To

The GHC Poster Session is sponsored by Symantec.

The SRC Poster Competition is also changing this year. Participants in the Technical Executive Forum will be helping judge the SRC Poster Competition. Judges include Steve Bourne, former ACM President and the creator of the Linux Bourne Shell Script.

Don't miss the Poster Session on Wednesday September 30th.



Poster Session sponsored by

The JW Marriott Starr Pass Resort

This year's Grace Hopper Celebration will be taking place at the magnificent JW Marriott Starr Pass Resort and Spa. Nestled in the mountains of Tucson, the Resort presents unbelievable views along with the best in accommodations. Make this a family affair (don't forget we offer free childcare!) or an opportunity to relax with old and new friends. The Starr Pass Resort and Spa offers:

[Hashani Spa](#)

Come pamper yourself at this spa that combines ancient traditions and techniques with modern amenities. There are many treatments to pick from, including ayurvedic and regional Indian rituals. The Hashani Spa also provides a Fitness Center. You can choose from exercise equipment in their gym or from classes ranging from yogalates to meditation.

[Activities](#)

GHC is sure to fill your days with all kinds of new and fun activities. However, if you're interested in staying in shape or finding some time to unwind, the resort is surrounded by hiking and biking trails (bikes are available to rent) in the heart of the Tucson Mountain Park. In addition to that you might want to try geocaching. You will be given a GPS receiver and your task is to go find your treasure in the Mountains. If none of these sounds appealing you can spend your free time lazing in the pool, playing tennis, basketball, or enjoying the Starr Canyon River by inner tube.

[Food](#)

Starr Pass has the best to offer in cuisines from around the world and flavors representing the Southwest. Choose from four restaurants in your hotel and also don't forget to visit Salud, which offers a selection of more than a hundred tequilas.



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New GHC Group on LinkedIn

Announcing a new way to make professional connections with other GHC participants: the [Grace Hopper Celebration of Women and Computing group](#) on LinkedIn. Share tips, gather ideas, look for a roommate or network with other attendees before, during and after the conference.

Find Rides and Roommates for GHC

Looking to reduce your GHC travel costs? We've started Finding GHC09 Rides and Roommates discussions in the [Grace Hopper 2009 group on Facebook](#) and the [Grace Hopper Celebration group on LinkedIn](#).

Help Wanted: GHC Online Community Volunteers

Take an active role in the Grace Hopper online communities! Be one of our conference bloggers, note-takers, photo and video bloggers, or Twitterers. Or help out as a volunteer administrator or moderator on Facebook, LinkedIn, or the conference wiki. [Learn more!](#)

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Things To Do in Tucson

Now that you've decided to buy that plane ticket and make those hotel reservations, isn't it only fair that you enjoy a little of what Tucson, Arizona has to offer as well? Use this guide to pick out some other fun activities and destinations to visit on your trip to the Grace Hopper Celebration!

- [Sabino Canyon](#) Found in the Coronado National Forest, Sabino Canyon presents you with picturesque desert landscapes and wildlife you can discover by walking trails or during a guided tour at night. If you're a nature lover, this is the place for you!
- [Downtown Tucson](#) Your hotel is located just six miles east of downtown Tucson. This is the perfect area for enjoying the best the city has to offer in night life, food, and shopping. You can explore by taking a [walking tour](#) or just exploring () on your own. With its ten historical districts and numerous landmarks, you're sure to find something unforgettable.
- [Old Tucson Studios](#) Are you a movie buff? Love old westerns? Then you should plan a trip to Old Tucson Studios. Some call it Arizona's Hollywood in the Desert with its offerings of Old West entertainment such as cowboy gunfights, numerous rides, games, and a variety of western musicals and comedies.
- [Arizona-Sonora Desert Museum](#) Don't miss this zoo, botanical gardens, and natural history museum all in one. Showcasing the grandeur of the Sonoran Desert, this museum has 2 miles of paths that covers 21 acres of gorgeous desert landscape. It is a perfect destination to give you a feeling of the nature that surrounds you in Tucson.
- [Colossal Cave Mountain Park](#) For the perfect daytrip visit the Colossal Cave Mountain Park. Inside the Cave it is always around 70 degrees. There are a handful of tours to pick to explore the Caves including one after hours in candlelight and another that follows the footsteps of early explorers.



Be sure to make your hotel reservations today and come join us at the 2009 Grace Hopper Celebration of Women in

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