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SOIS Appoints Assistant Professor Thomas Haigh

The School of Information Studies (SOIS) of the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee is pleased to announce the appointment of Dr. Thomas Haigh to the position of Assistant Professor. He holds a Ph.D. from the University of Pennsylvania in the History and Sociology of Science, and a B.Sc. and M.Eng. in Computer Science from the University of Manchester.

Dr. Haigh's areas of expertise are social and organizational informatics. He has published articles on the history of the software industry, the origins of the database management system, the historical relationship of computing to corporate management, and the creation of the data processing department, and is working on turning this material into two books on the history of corporate computing.

His current research projects include the social history of the personal computer and the origins of open source software in the scientific computing field. He serves as Biographies Editor of IEEE Annals of the History of Computing, and is a member of the Committee on ACM History. Among his awards are a Fulbright Award to study in the United States, the Tomash Fellowship of the Charles Babbage Institute, the Summer Research Fellowship of the Software History Center, and the IEEE Life Member Fellowship in Electrical History.

Dr. Haigh is a welcome addition to the diverse faculty of the School of Information Studies which presently offers courses leading to a Bachelor of Science in Information Resources (BSIR), a nationally-accredited Master's Degree in Library and Information Science and a post-graduate Certificate in Information Science. Furthermore, in collaboration with the School of Education's Urban Education Doctoral Program, the SOIS offers an area of concentration in Educational Media Technology.