



Title: Gender Dimensions of the Digital Divide

Date/Time: Thursday, July 31, 1:30 PM – 2:15 PM

Location: Renaissance Austin Hotel

Description: This session addresses the imbalances between women's and men's access to and participation in information and communications technologies (ICT) and what needs to be done to ensure that women equally enjoy the benefits arising from the global knowledge-based economy at all levels of ICT policy and practice.

Presenter:

Kim Smith has a Bachelor of Science in Telecommunications and Wireless Communications degree from THE CUNY BACCALAUREATE PROGRAM, the home college being New York City College of Technology, where she is presently working as a teaching assistant. She is continuing her education at City College of New York, working towards a Ph.D. in the area of Earth and Atmospheric Sciences. As a member of the Communication Society of the New York Region 1 section, IEEE, she has played an active role in organizing their seminars in the New York City Region. Kim has over five years experience handling technology, engineering and networking projects. She is proficient using CES Instruments and testing security devices. Kim previously worked with the New York City Transit Authority in the Electronics Maintenance Division, where she worked with Communications Based Train Control (CBTC) using Visual Basic 6 to program signal fixtures. She analyzed circuits and wrote software for test equipment used to monitor and operate signals.