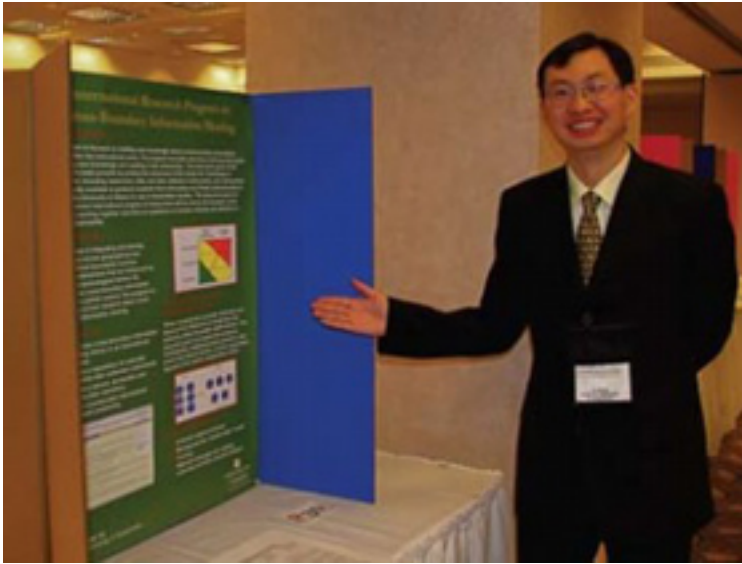


CTG's success depends heavily upon the collaborations we forge with researchers in the United States and around the world. The foundation of many of these partnerships begins with the high caliber students who work at CTG. Starting with the doctoral students who serve as graduate assistants, CTG has had the fortune of working with an international and multi-disciplinary cadre of aspiring researchers.



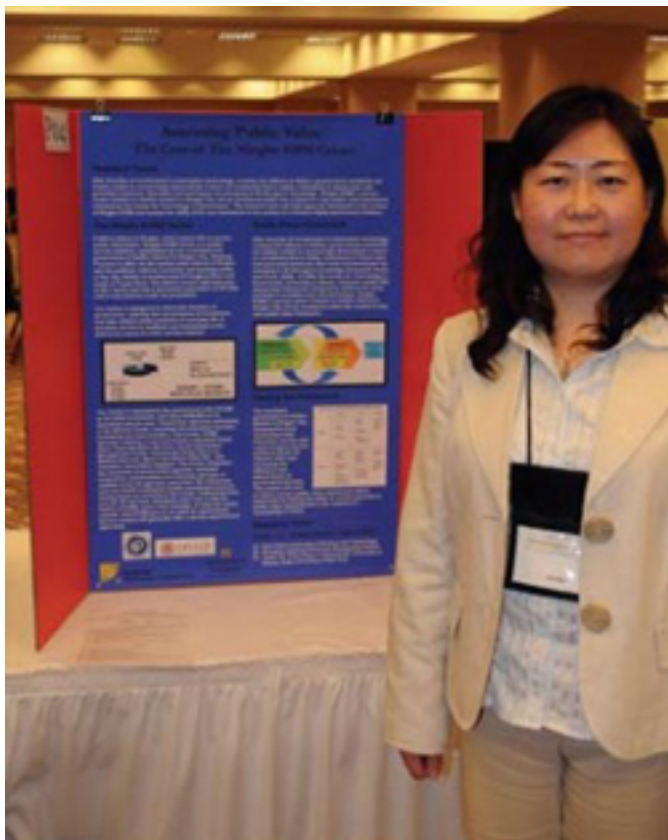
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In 2008, we had doctoral students from Jordan, China, Turkey, and the United States, representing UAlbany's Rockefeller College of Public Affairs and Policy, College of Computing and Informatics, and School of Criminal Justice. They brought their own perspectives, research interests, and expertise to many CTG projects, while at the same time honing their research skills and learning how to work with government agencies.

A number of UAlbany alumni continue to be important research partners with CTG, a pattern we strive to repeat with our current doctoral students upon their graduation. From faculty members at Clark University in Massachusetts and the University of Washington in Seattle to the Centro de Investigación y Docencia Económicas (CIDE) in Mexico City and the Universidad de las Americas-Puebla in Cholula, Mexico, our research network continues to grow and strengthen. These scholars have become respected researchers in their own institutions and important partners in our portfolio of domestic and international research projects.

CTG is also broadening its research partnerships through two additional programs. The first is our Faculty and Research Fellows program. This program allows CTG to work closely with additional researchers from UAlbany and internationally. In 2008, Senem Guney, assistant professor at the College of Computing and Information, Department of Informatics, joined CTG as a Faculty Fellow. Dr. Guney's expertise includes investigating social-organizational questions involved in creating and



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The second method CTG employs to expand our research network is the Visiting Scholar program. In 2008, Lin Zhu spent the year in residency at CTG as a Visiting Scholar. Dr. Zhu is an assistant professor at the Department of Public Administration of East China University of Science and Technology in Shanghai, where she specializes in research on e-government. At CTG, Dr. Zhu integrated herself as a member of various research project teams and was a co-author on several writing projects.

RESEARCH EXCHANGES AT CTG

Visiting researchers to CTG are always invited to give a public presentation to share their research-in-progress. In 2008, the following exchanges took place:



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Improving Citizen Access to Government Information in China Lin Zhu, visiting scholar, CTG, and assistant professor at the Department of Public Administration of East China University of Science and Technology, Shanghai

Electronic Governance at United Nations University and Programmable Messaging for Electronic Government Tomasz Janowski, founder and head of the UNU-IIST Center for Electronic Governance