Local Information

Click here for a detailed map of the locations mentioned in the conference proceedings, nearby food, parking, and public transportation sections below. Click on each map item for more information.

Conference Proceedings:

The meeting is being held at McCormick Tribune Campus Center (MTCC) on the campus of Illinois Institute of Technology. Talks will take place in the MTCC auditorium. The poster session and refreshment breaks will be held in the MTCC ballroom. The conference dinner will be held in the Hermann Hall ballroom.

The Rettaliata Engineering Center is located across State Street from the MTCC and on the north side of the first floor of the building there is a lounge space (plenty of seating and a large whiteboard wall, plus classrooms) for discussions.

Nearby Food:

There is a 7-Eleven located inside the MTCC. Chinatown offers over 20 restaurants (see here and here for recommendations) is accessible from IIT via the CTA Red Line (take the Red Line from Sox-35th St. station one stop north to the Cermak-Chinatown station; allow 10-15 minutes for travel).

Below are some options for lunch that are within a 10-15 minute walk from the MTCC:

- Jimmy John’s
- Starbucks
- Ferro’s Italian Beef
- Dragon Bowl
- Rocky’s
- Turtle’s Bar and Grill
- New Furama Restaurant

Parking & Public Transportation:

Visitor meter parking is available at the following locations:

Note: The daily cost for parking in these lots is $12.

- Lot A4 on the north side of the MTCC at 32nd St. and State St.
- Lot B5 on the west side of Hermann Hall on Federal St.
- Lot D5 on State St. between 34th St. & 35th St.

There is also some free street parking available along Michigan Ave. and Indiana Ave. on the east side of IIT campus.
IIT is accessible via the following public transportation options:

CTA Red Line (Howard-95th/Dan Ryan) to Sox-35th station

Note: The Sox-35th St. station has two entrances, one on 33rd St. and one on 35th St. CTA fare cards can only be purchased at the 35th St. entrance.

CTA Green Line (Ashland-63rd or 63rd-Cottage Grove) to 35th-Bronzeville-IIT station

CTA Bus #29 State & 32nd St. Stop

CTA route information and details about purchasing fare cards can be found here.

**Travel & Accommodations:**

The IIT travel webpage has information on location and travel directions, including a list of recommended hotels.

For local travel, we recommend Transit App. Cabs and the ride-sharing services Uber and Lyft are also available.

**Exploring Chicago:**

Click here for an overview of things to experience in Chicago.

IIT campus is renowned for its buildings and architecture, and those interested should consider taking one of the following tours:

Mies van der Rohe Society and IIT: An Architectural Tour
Mies and Modernism: The IIT Campus Tour

Food lovers will have no shortage of options. See the following links for more information:

Chicago Reader
LTH Forum
Michelin Star Restaurants