



ACE ACADEMIC AND RESEARCH LC CALL FOR **POSTERS**

Deadline: 11:59 p.m., Friday, February 12, 2021

Submit posters to: Secretary Shannon Norris at norriss@nmsu.edu

The Association for Communication Excellence's Academic and Research Learning Community is pleased to announce the call for research poster abstracts for submission to the **2021 ACE Conference (held virtually) June 21 – 24**. Please share this call with others in your unit to ensure all interested colleagues are notified of this opportunity.

- This opportunity is designed to provide additional discussion of research at the conference and is distinct from the call for research *papers* distributed by the Academic and Research LC.

POSTER INFORMATION

Posters provide a unique and informal means for researchers, practitioners, and students to share their work and interests. There are two categories for posters:

- **Innovative idea posters** must be a new idea or the creative modification of an existing idea or process.
- **Research posters** must be related to a problem, demonstrate a need for research, and implement the research process.

SUBMISSION ELIGIBILITY

Any abstracts submitted that do not follow these eligibility criteria will automatically be rejected without review.

- Research poster narratives/abstracts must present **completed research** of potential regional or national significance focusing on the communication of agriculture, natural resources, life and/or human sciences topics.
- Poster abstracts that **have not been previously reported** at a national conference will be considered.
- Poster abstracts must not be concurrently in review for another conference.
- **Abstracts must be authored or co-authored by a current, dues-paying ACE member. Dues are owed Jan. 1 of each year.**
 - To join or renew: <http://www.aceweb.wildapricot.org/page-1720977>
- Abstracts must be formatted and submitted as two (2) separate PDF documents.
 - Details for the *separate* documents are outlined below.
- The PDF file names should follow the following convention:
 - Lead author last name, document type (cover or manuscript), and lead author last name
 - e.g., SmithCover.PDF, SmithPoster.PDF
 - If a lead author has more than one submission, add numerals to each filename.
 - e.g., SmithCover1.PDF, SmithPoster1.PDF
 - Your file name will be changed when sent to reviewers for the blind review process.
- At least one author must be willing to present the poster in person at the 2020 ACE Annual Conference.

ABSTRACT HEADINGS

The poster abstract should use these heading/sections, as appropriate:

Innovative Idea:

1. Introduction/need for innovation or idea
2. How it works/methods/program phases/steps

3. Results to date/implications
4. Future plans/advice to others
5. Costs/resources needed
6. References

Research:

1. Introduction/need for research
2. Conceptual or theoretical framework
3. Methods
4. Results/findings
5. Conclusions
6. Implications/recommendations/ impact on profession
7. References

DOCUMENT 1-COVERPAGE

- Includes poster title, name(s), phone numbers, and e-mail addresses of all authors.
 - If the abstract has more than one author, the lead author should be listed first.
- Author information should not appear on any page except for the cover page.

DOCUMENT 2-POSTER ABSTRACT

- Abstract should be a maximum of two pages long (including all tables and figures) with up to one additional page of references.
 - The abstract narrative must include the title of the poster as the first line of page 2.
- Abstract document must be formatted in 12-point font, Times New Roman, single-spaced, with 1" margins. Add a space between paragraphs; do not indent the first line of paragraphs.
- To facilitate the blind review process, the author's name and any other identifying information must not appear in the two-page abstract narrative.
- Maximum submission length is 4 pages: 1 cover page (submitted separately), 2-page abstract including all tables and figures, 1-page references.
- Submissions not conforming to the required formatting guidelines may be rejected prior to review.

EVALUATION & NOTIFICATION OF ACCEPTED POSTERS

Abstracts will be evaluated by a peer review panel. The evaluation form will follow the outlined headings and format described above. Authors will be notified of acceptance via email in April 2020 and will receive reviewer feedback at that time. The number of posters selected for presentation will be determined according to presentation space available and the number of poster abstracts submitted. Abstracts of accepted posters will be shared on the ACE Conference website following the conclusion of the conference.

Poster abstracts must be submitted no later than **11:59 p.m., Friday, February 12, 2021.**

OUTSTANDING POSTER PRESENTATION COMPETITION

Poster presentations will be evaluated during the conference poster session and outstanding presentations will be honored at the conference. Details on format for presentations will be given to those whose poster abstracts are accepted.

We look forward to seeing you online!

Jessica Holt, Chair

Laura Fischer, Vice Chair

Garrett Steede, Research Director

Shannon Norris, Secretary