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# CALL FOR PRESENTATIONS

## SUBMISSION DEADLINE: May 5, 2023

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## 20TH ANNUAL RESEARCH SYMPOSIUM

### OCTOBER 12, 2023 • VIRTUAL

The North American Association for Environmental Education (NAAEE) seeks compelling proposals for our 20th Annual Research Symposium that address the conference theme, *Together We Thrive*. Researchers, policymakers, and practitioners at all stages of their careers from North America and beyond are invited to share their insights, ideas, and findings.

We strongly encourage proposals about in-progress research projects or discussion topics related to the research process. We also welcome submissions on completed evaluations or studies for the Research Symposium or the “Linking Research and Practice to Increase Impact” strand of the general NAAEE Conference.

Submissions should promote dialogue around challenges ranging from climate change to environmental, economic, and racial injustices. Presenters may address methods and theory (e.g., postcolonialism, posthumanism, new materialism, ecopsychology, narrative inquiry, participatory action research) or pedagogy and programming (e.g., climate change education, community-based learning, culturally sustaining pedagogy, civic engagement), or even their intersections.

# DELIVERY OPTIONS AND SESSION FORMATS

This year's Research Symposium will be virtual. There are two delivery options: Live Sessions and Prerecorded Sessions.

## Live Sessions:

- Live Sessions will last approximately 60 minutes, with at least 20 minutes devoted to interaction and discussion with the audience.
- Live Sessions will be scheduled once during regular symposium hours on October 12 (11:00 AM–6:00 PM EDT).
- Submissions for Live Sessions can be (1) panel proposals that include multiple presenters, (2) individual proposals, which we may group with others to create a 60-minute session; or (3) workshop proposals that are intended to develop competencies related to EE research.
- Live Sessions may include one or two prerecorded segments, particularly to help accommodate international presenters in different time zones.
- Live Sessions will be recorded for on-demand viewing after the symposium.

## Prerecorded Sessions:

- Prerecorded Sessions are short (up to 10 minutes) presentations submitted in advance and available for on-demand asynchronous viewing during and after the symposium.
- Prerecorded Sessions do not have a scheduled presentation time.
- Presenters will need to submit prerecorded mp4 files by September 12 to allow time for processing.
- Presenters must be registered conference participants but do not need to be in attendance.

## Session Formats:

- Live Session—Panel
  - 60 minutes
  - Multiple presenters included in the proposal
- Live Session—Individual
  - 10–15 minutes
  - Single presenter listed on the proposal
  - Will likely be grouped with others to create 60-minute sessions
- Live Session—Workshop
  - 60 minutes
  - Interactive, skill-building sessions intended to develop competencies related to EE research
- Prerecorded Session
  - 10-minute maximum
  - Submitted in advance by September 12 as mp4 files
  - May include posters (saved as PDF files) with a recorded narrative

## REVIEW CRITERIA

A peer review team will evaluate and rate all session proposals. The Research Symposium co-chairs will select proposals based on reviewer scores, balancing a range of topics and paying particular attention to sessions that advance justice, equity, diversity, inclusion, and accessibility in EE.

Reviewers will apply the criteria below when evaluating proposals. Please address each bullet in your proposal(s), providing enough detail for reviewers to fully understand your plans.

### Proposals will be assessed and selected by how well they:

- Summarize the content of the session, including goals or learning outcomes
- Identify theoretical frameworks and cite relevant literature related to the topic
- Explain how the session will inform and advance EE research and/or practice
- For Live Sessions, indicate as specifically as possible how you will engage the audience on Zoom (e.g., the questions you will use to engage the audience in dialogue, the tools you may use like polls, shared documents)

## HOW TO SUBMIT A PROPOSAL

**Proposals must be submitted online by 11:59 p.m. PST on Friday, May 5, 2023.** You may find it helpful to [download a blank form](#) from the NAAEE website and use it to draft your proposal before entering the information online.

Each individual or team of individuals is limited to three proposals to maximize the number and diversity of presenters and perspectives on the symposium program.

**Important: Please use the same email address for submitting your proposal and registering for the research symposium.**

1. Proposals must be submitted online through All Academic, our proposal management system.
  - We have simplified the submission process. You will now log in directly on the All Academic site without needing to be logged in on the NAAEE website.
  - You can [click here](#) to enter All Academic or find the link on the conference or research symposium home page or from the menu on NAAEE's conference website.
  - If you've been part of a proposal in the past, you likely already have an All Academic account and will simply need to click on the reset password link to update your record. Use your email address as your user name.

- If you do not have an All Academic account, you'll need to create one by clicking on the new user link. Use your email address as your user name.
  - You will immediately receive an email message from Do\_Not\_Reply@AllAcademic.com with further instructions. Check your filters if you do not receive the message.
2. On your home page in All Academic, click "Submit a Proposal." Select "Conference" or "Research Symposium" and complete the online submission form.
  3. Click the "Accept and Continue" button on each page until you reach the final confirmation page.
  4. When your proposal is successfully submitted, you will receive a confirmation email from Do\_Not\_Reply@AllAcademic.com. This email address is often caught by sensitive filters. If you haven't received it, check your junk folder and **make sure the "@allacademic.com" domain is in your safe sender list.**
  5. You can edit any information in your proposal until the May 5 submission deadline by logging in to your All Academic account and selecting the proposal from the list on your All Academic home page.

## IMPORTANT NOTES ABOUT RESEARCH SYMPOSIUM REGISTRATION

All presenters and co-presenters (whether live or prerecorded) are required to register and pay published fees for the research symposium.

NAAEE depends on registration fees to cover symposium expenses and cannot provide waivers or discounts to presenters. There are typically more than 500 presenters on the conference program.

NAAEE has not yet finalized fees, but we expect conference registration for current NAAEE members to be about \$150 for a professional and \$100 for a student. Nonmember rates will be about 30% higher than member rates, and we hope to provide lower-cost options for those with limited funding. There is a separate registration fee for the NAAEE Annual Conference.

All presenters must confirm their participation by registering for the research symposium by the September 1, 2023 early bird deadline.

If your proposal is accepted, you will have an additional opportunity to finalize session information after receiving your acceptance notice.

## QUESTIONS?

As a first step, check the [Frequently Asked Questions](#) on the NAAEE website for assistance with submitting your proposals. If you need additional help, please contact us at [conference@naaee.org](mailto:conference@naaee.org).

If you have questions about the content of your proposal, contact symposium co-chairs [Scott Morrison](#), Elon University, or [Marijka Hecht](#), Ohio State University.