

# CALL FOR PROPOSALS

**2019 Annual Conference**  
**October 10-11, 2019**  
Holiday Inn Denver –  
Cherry Creek Hotel  
Denver, CO



The 2019 Annual Conference of the **Northern Rocky Mountain Educational Research Association**, which will be NRMERA's 37<sup>th</sup> annual conference, will be held October 10-11, 2019 in Denver, Colorado. The conference sessions will begin Thursday morning and end Friday by 5:00 pm. We invite you to submit a proposal to share your educational research with your colleagues at this conference. A link to the online submission site will be available at [www.nrmera.org](http://www.nrmera.org).

Proposals must be submitted electronically by **Sunday, June 30, 2019**.

## Conference Theme

The theme for this year's conference is **Ed Research 3.0: Qual, Quan, and Mixed**. This theme invites researchers to share their educational research and think about the role of the various research methods in advancing their respective field. We particularly invite and encourage submissions related to this theme, but we will consider proposals related to any area of educational research.

## Session Formats for Presentations

There are four different session formats for which you may submit proposals. Each of these is described below.

**Paper Presentation:** These sessions are intended for reporting research results or analyzing issues of policy and practice. These will most often be reports of research studies that have concluded. This session format will be approximately 60 minutes with 15 minutes dedicated to each paper.

**Poster Presentation:** These sessions are also intended for reporting research results or analyzing issues of policy and practice. They would include the same information as a research presentation. Presenters should have a professional poster prepared for display. There will be one or two sessions following typical poster session format lasting approximately 60 minutes.

**Roundtable (Learn at Lunch):** These sessions are particularly conducive for new presenters and graduate students to allow greater interaction and less formality. Individual presenters are assigned tables in a large meeting room where interested persons may gather for "Learn at Lunch" discussions with the presenter about chosen topics. This session format will be approximately 45 minutes.

**Symposium:** Symposium differs from the other types of research presentations in that symposiums encourage discussion. A panel of experts will present or deliver their opinions or viewpoints on a chosen topic of discussion. This session format will be approximately 60 minutes.

All presentation rooms will be equipped with screens and projectors. Presenters will need to provide computers and relevant adaptors. Internet access will be available to presenters and attendees in all conference areas.

## Submitting Proposals

All proposals should be prepared using the Publication Manual of the American Psychological Association: Sixth Edition (APA, 2010) and submitted through the 2019 NRMERA Conference Submission Portal found at [www.nrmera.org](http://www.nrmera.org). The following information will be needed to complete the submission:

- 1) **Presenter Information:** This includes information for all presenters, including name, affiliation and position, and email address.
- 2) **Session Format:** Based on the four options presented above.
- 3) **Session Keywords:** Provide up to three keywords that specify the session topics and connections.
- 4) **Title:** This should be **blinded** for review and no more than **15 words**. Titles longer than 15 words will be edited.
- 5) **Session Abstract:** This will be included in the conference program. It should also be **blinded** for review and no more than **50 words**. Abstracts longer than 50 words will be edited.
- 6) **2-3 Page Proposal:** This should also be **blinded** for review. Proposals should be in word or pdf format, double-spaced, 12 pt. font, with 1-inch margins. ***Proposals longer than three pages (including references) and/or not blinded will not be reviewed.*** Please upload your proposal as an attachment to the submission form.
  - a. *Proposals for Paper Presentations and Poster Presentation* should include the title, relevant background information, the purpose of the study, a short review of relevant literature, research methodology, results and/or conclusions, discussion of the educational importance of the study, and references.
  - b. *Proposals for the Roundtables (Learn at Lunch) and Symposiums* should include the title, purpose of the presentation, short review of relevant literature, learning outcomes for attendees at the presentation, a discussion of the educational importance of the topic being presented, and references. If your presentation includes a research study, include research methodology and results and/or conclusions in your proposal.

## Proposal Review

The 2019 program staff, NRMERA Executive Board members, and interested members will conduct a blind review of all submitted proposals. If interested in becoming a reviewer, please indicate so on the submission form.

Evaluation criteria includes:

- 1) Relevance and Currency
- 2) Background, Purpose, and Rationale
- 3) Review of Relevant Literature
- 4) Research Methodology (including relevant data analyses)
- 5) Results and Conclusions
- 6) Educational Significance,
- 7) Fit with Presentation Format

*Remember that proposals are due by Sunday, June 30, 2019. Proposal submitters will be notified of the status of their proposal by the middle of August. Registration for the conference will also be open at that time. All presenters must be registered for the conference by September 15, 2019, or their session will be canceled.*

## Questions

Please contact Courtney McKim ([cmckim3@uwyo.edu](mailto:cmckim3@uwyo.edu)) or Suzanne Young ([syoung@uwyo.edu](mailto:syoung@uwyo.edu)), with any questions regarding a proposal topic, a session format, or the submission process.



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