ACSP Announcements

#ACSP2021
CONFERENCE UPDATE

The 2021 ACSP Annual Conference (#ACSP2021) will be Hosted Virtually and In Person!

The ACSP National Conference Committee, Florida Local Host Committee and Executive Committee have deliberated and decided that the most responsible direction to take for the 2021 Miami Annual Conference is to pivot to offer two conference opportunities - a virtual only or a combination virtual plus in-person conference.

We will host a virtual research conference on October 7-9, which will be primarily paper presentations in tracks 1-16, focal event sessions, keynote, plus virtual networking opportunities. We will also host the in-person conference in Miami, October 21-23, Thursday-Saturday. The in-person conference will flow from the virtual meeting, allowing continued discussion of the research papers presented virtually, plus networking, focal event sessions, roundtables for tracks 1-16, special sessions, in-person meetings, curated content, mobile tours, and posters and paper presentations in sessions where all presenters commit to attend in-person.

Persons can attend both the virtual and in-person events, or you can attend only the virtual conference. In-person registration will include the virtual conference attendance, but we will offer a standalone "virtual only" registration for persons who cannot or do not wish to travel. We believe that this format is "the best of both worlds" - broadening access to persons who cannot travel while maintaining an in-person meeting option.

This decision was informed by our analysis of the financial models and discussions with contractors necessary to host both events. We determined that in light of the finances, our general welfare, and current foreign travel restrictions, a two-part event is the option that will provide our colleagues all over the world with the opportunity to share their research, network with their peers, and learn from each other, giving the ACSP conference team a manageable way forward.
Decisions for abstract submissions will be delivered later this week directly to your email. If you receive an offer to present your paper, or participate in a roundtable discussion at the 2021 conference, your acceptance is conditional, and requires a response of whether you will attend in-person, or attend only the virtual portion of the conference. The event schedules cannot be created without this response from you. Paper sessions have already been created by track chairs as is our standard process for the conference, however if all presenters in the session indicate they will attend in Miami, the session will be scheduled for the in-person event. Otherwise, the majority of paper presentations will be hosted virtually. Roundtable discussions, and additional curated content will be developed for the in-person portion of this conference. Much more information will be shared regarding this conference and your participation.

More than 600 people indicated interest in attending an in-person event at the time of abstract submission. While we feel confident moving forward with this two-part event, if in-person registration falls well below this number, ACSP may have to consider cancelling the in-person portion of this conference, hosting only the virtual conference. Your response to whether you will attend in-person or virtual, sent to us by June 22, is critical to our moving forward with both events. ACSP will announce any change by July 1.

Marlon G. Boarnet, University of Southern California
ACSP President 2019-2021

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**ACSP Dates & Deadlines**

**MAY**

TODAY - May 25: [Intent to Submit Deadline for the Best Paper Award Sponsored by the Ewing Marion Kauffman Foundation](#)

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**JUNE**

June 1: [ACSP2021 Award Nominations Due](#)

June 15: [ACSP - AESOP Panel & Proposal EXTENDED Deadline](#)

June 22: Deadline to Notify ACSP of Virtual or In-Person Presentation for Accepted Abstract Authors

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**JULY**

July 11-13: [JPER Writing Workshop for New Scholars, Texas A&M University - Virtual](#)

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**AUGUST**
OCTOBER

October 7-9: ACSP Virtual Research Conference - Online

October 21-24: ACSP Annual Conference - In-Person

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