



2022 CALL FOR ABSTRACTS & SESSIONS

Association of Collegiate Schools of Planning
62nd Annual Conference, November 3-6, 2022



Hosted by: University of Toronto, Ryerson University, and York University

The ACSP cordially invites faculty, researchers, and students to submit proposals for abstracts for the 2022 ACSP Annual Conference. We anticipate an in-person conference in Toronto, but as with the 2020 and 2021 conference, we will keep you apprised of any change in plans.

Website Open for Submissions (five weeks):	February 28, 8:00am EST
Abstract submission deadline:	April 5, 11:59pm EST
Notification of Accept or Reject:	Late May

2022 Focal Theme: (Re) Shaping the Inclusive City: Engaging Indigenous and Immigrant Voices, Histories, and Lived Experiences

As planners and policymakers, our field and profession explicitly acknowledge the need to engage with stakeholders. For far too long, however, the definition of stakeholders has been narrowly framed, sometimes for pragmatic or political reasons, creating feelings of alienation and exclusion. Many individuals and groups feel left out of community conversations about space and place, and in addition, both indigenous communities and new immigrant communities fear marginalization and erasure when professional planners develop policies, projects, programs, and processes that ignore equity concerns.

ACSP is inviting pre-organized sessions and or roundtables that can engage with this focal theme. Papers and sessions can address the histories and geographies of marginalization and inclusion. Sessions can also share case studies and best practices of community engagement. Explorations about the impact of the pandemic that is now endemic in affecting participatory processes, and efforts to create inclusive and community-oriented practices are also relevant to be presented in these focused sessions. Authors of individual paper submissions will also be given the opportunity to indicate their willingness to participate in a track-created focal-themed session. All focal-themed sessions will be weaved throughout the conference schedule and highlighted in the conference program.

If you have a question about whether the abstract or session you are putting together fits within this focal theme, please contact Jennifer Minner, National Conference Chair, j.minner@cornell.edu.

AESOP-ACSP Joint Sessions

We invite pre-organized sessions or roundtables that include scholars from both the Association of European Schools of Planning (AESOP) and the Association of Collegiate Schools of Planning (ACSP) on any topic. Such proposals should highlight the advantage of the transatlantic perspective. This is part of a long-term effort by AESOP and ACSP to build more collaborations.

Pre-organized sessions and roundtables that are comprised of participants from multiple regions of the world are also welcomed, and global scholarship, transatlantic and transnational, is encouraged in any track. All submissions have the same requirements as others described below and are submitted through the abstract submission site. These sessions must have ACSP-AESOP referenced in the title of the session.

All Abstract Submissions

All abstracts will undergo an anonymized review process. While the Association collects necessary personal information for all abstract submissions, the evaluation of the abstract is performed by reviewers who do not know the identity of the author or session proposer.

Please note that ALL proposals should contain the required information as described below including keywords and citations. Only abstracts that meet these criteria will be accepted for the conference.

The Association provides recommendations for [How to Submit a Good Abstract](#).

Requirements

Your abstract should contain the following information in 600 words and be suitable for publication online without any further editing:

- Central theme or planning issue you are addressing: what research question(s) are you trying to answer?
- Approach and methodology: how will you address the question(s)?
- Meaningful and new findings. Research with concrete findings has a better chance of being accepted into the conference.
- Relevance and implications of your work to planning scholarship, practice, and/or education
- Key words
- Major references/citations

Fill in the required information in the online system as best you can. You will not have the option to attach full bibliographies, reports, or full papers during the abstract submission process.

Conference Theme and ACSP-AESOP Joint Sessions

The abstract system will provide a place for you to indicate if your research is similar subject matter to the conference theme, or if your session/roundtable is transatlantic in nature and should be included as an ACSP-AESOP joint session.

Key Words

- Provide at least one, but no more than five.
- Key words help track chairs when putting together coherent paper sessions.
- The Book of Accepted Abstracts published to www.acsp.org will have an index of key words.

Major References/Citations

- Provide at least three, but no more than five.
- Citations help reviewers place your work in its field.
- The abstract submission system will restrict the listing of citations to a total of five (5).
- In the past, submissions have been rejected because of a lack of citations.

AICP Credit Eligibility for your Submission

AICP pre-approves the ACSP Conference sessions so AICP members know the sessions they attend will be accepted for continuing education credits. During the abstract submission process, you will be required to use a pull-down menu to choose 1-3 AICP-related topics for your abstract. There may not be a perfect fit choice but select according to those closest to your topic. This is a list created by the AICP.

ACSP is interested in the inclusion of sessions that provide our AICP faculty and attending professionals with law and ethics CM credits. If you are proposing such a session, or know someone we should contact, please contact ddodd@acsp.org.

Editing Your Submission

PROOFREAD, PROOFREAD, PROOFREAD your abstract submission while online! Abstracts cannot be edited after you complete your submission. The payment step is the final step of the process after which access to the abstract is locked.

Submission Fee and Payment

The required fee for online submission is \$25 per abstract.

- ACSP does not accept abstract submissions in any way other than through the on-line submission portal.
- Abstracts sent directly to a track chair will not be reviewed or considered.
- Payment of the submission fee requires the use of a credit card. Submission is not complete without payment.
- Once the review is open, there are no abstract submission fee refunds.

Submission Types

- Individual paper presentations
- Pre-organized paper sessions
- Roundtable discussions
- Poster presentations

Poster Sessions

Posters are a highly effective way to present one's research. ACSP enthusiastically encourages faculty, researchers, and students to submit poster proposals highlighting their work. The conference will feature accepted posters during a reception in the exhibit hall on Friday afternoon. Posters will then remain on display until Saturday afternoon. Posters are subjected to the same rigorous review process as papers, except that the materials in posters must be well-suited for visual presentations. A Best Poster award will be presented chosen by a panel of judges.

- Authors may present both a paper and a poster at the conference, but not from the same abstract submission.
- Authors must attend the conference to display their poster and be considered for the Best Poster award.
- The presentation of a poster does not require a submitted final paper.
- Details about the creation of your poster will be posted to www.acsp.org through the Annual Conference menu.

Pre-Organized Sessions

The conference committee strongly encourages the grouping of papers in pre-organized sessions that have strong intellectual merit but reserves the right to realign papers if needed.

- Pre-organized sessions that comprise all faculty from one university or only students will be rejected unless the organizers provide justification for the listed authors.
- Instructions for [submitting a pre-organized session](#) are important to review and follow. It's a bit complicated, but ACSP staff pays attention to ensure all sessions are submitted correctly.

A pre-organized session requires one lead person to work in the abstract submission system before the other authors. This leader creates a session title and completes additional general information fields including the name and email address of the primary author for each of the included abstracts. Once the session is created, the system will then email the participating authors with a link they can use to submit their own abstracts into the session. Although we cannot guarantee the discussant will not have a schedule conflict, we recommend the session organizer invite a discussant for the session. Please email a note to the conference coordinator so your session can be tracked for successful submission: abstracts@acsp.org.

A pre-organized session with only three papers will be scheduled in a 60-minute time slot; a 4-paper session in a 75-minute time slot; and a 5-paper session will be scheduled in a 90-minute time slot. The fact that a session is pre-organized does not preclude track chairs from adding appropriate accepted papers to the session if time allows.

Roundtable Submissions

Successful roundtables are those that have a clear focus and foster discussion. Participants listed in the final program should offer short summaries of their viewpoints and engage in discussions with each other and the audience. A roundtable submission requires an organizer to submit the abstract, confirm additional participants in advance of abstract submission, and confirm a facilitator to manage the discussion at the conference. A minimum of three participants is required for the roundtable to remain on the program, and a submission without at least three participants confirmed is likely to get rejected. A successful roundtable requires strict enforcement of time limits to ensure a large block of time for audience participation. Roundtable sessions do not include paper presentations and are generally placed in a 60- or 75-minute time slot.

Track Information

The 2022 conference will be organized around [fifteen tracks](#). You must indicate one track to which you are submitting the abstract, and an alternative as well. Many – perhaps most – topics cut across two or more tracks. If you are uncertain about the appropriate placement for your work, we encourage you to correspond with relevant [track chairs](#) before submitting the abstract. Track chairs reserve the right to transfer an abstract to your alternative track, or to a more suitable track.

The Fate of Your Submission

Due to the volume of submissions, proposals will either be rejected or accepted. Decisions are made based on quality abstracts working within the space constraints of the conference. The ACSP typically works with a 15-20% rejection rate based on the number of submissions and space available for presentations.

- Track chairs may invite authors of acceptable abstracts to present their work as posters prior to the review decision being emailed. Such a request is not a statement about the quality of the proposed work; it is a statement about whether the research is suitable in a poster format. The final decision is with the track chair and the track chair has the option to reject the abstract if the author does not agree to change the format.
- A rejected paper abstract will not be invited to present as a poster.
- Track chairs make the ultimate decision on whether a submission is accepted or not.

Notifications

All authors and co-authors related to an abstract submission will receive an email indicating acceptance or not for the 2022 conference. If you did not receive yours, and your co-authors did, please check your spam or junk mail folders before contacting abstracts@acsp.org. Track chairs welcome your inquiry. Authors should get in touch with [track chairs](#) if they wish to receive feedback on their abstract.

Multiple Program Placements

Participants on the final program are limited to:

- One presentation of a paper as presenting author whether in a paper session or pre-organized paper session.
- One placement on a roundtable.
- One (or two max) placement(s) as a discussant or facilitator of a paper presentation session.
- One placement in a poster session.

If you have more than one appearance in one of the categories in this paragraph, in fairness to everyone, we will ask you to withdraw the additional appearance(s) prior to the scheduling of sessions.

Important Information for Students

If you are a masters or doctoral student, you may submit an abstract for a paper or poster presentation based on research undertaken in collaboration with a faculty member. Students may also submit abstracts for papers or posters based on the *results* of independent research from their dissertation or thesis. The abstract submission system will require you to certify that either, or both conditions are met. Abstract submissions for general purpose papers or for work done in preparation for qualifying exams will be rejected and as a reminder, there are no abstract submission fee refunds.

Students will be asked to include the name and e-mail address of their advisor or dissertation supervisor with the submission. If necessary, the advisor or dissertation supervisor may be asked to certify the research is ready for presentation at a national conference.

- For considerations of anonymized review, the information for your advisor or dissertation supervisor is also kept private and only ACSP staff will reach out to them if necessary.
- Student submissions are evaluated using the same criteria as all other submissions.

Final Papers & Presentations

You will be asked to submit a final paper to both your session discussant and conference organizers (submission date to be announced). Final papers are required for those presenting in a paper session or pre-organized session, but not for posters or roundtables.

Having made the submission deadline, the names of authors and title of their presentation will be highlighted in the program/conference app as having a paper available on request for attendees. Conference attendees often use this information to judge the quality of a session they are considering attending.

Discussants are not required to provide comments on presentations for which final papers were not submitted.

- You will not be allowed to change the content of an abstract after it has been submitted.
- Over the course of the summer, you may make minor modifications to the title of the final paper.
- You may not substitute different research if the original research is not complete. Please notify conference organizers that you must withdraw as soon as you know this is necessary.
- Submitted final papers are not considered “published” when submitted to conference. ACSP doesn’t post final papers to the web or and does not currently publish proceedings. Colleagues interested in your paper will be instructed to contact you directly.

Facilitators and Discussants

Track chairs will invite and do their best to confirm facilitators and discussants for all paper sessions. ACSP welcomes volunteers and suggestions proffered by authors and session organizers. If you are interested in acting as a facilitator or discussant or have a suggestion or nomination, please complete the [volunteer form](#) and include your specializations. Facilitators and discussants may serve two sessions if invited to do so.

Scheduling Requests

ACSP recognizes ONLY religious holidays as valid reasons for scheduling requests. Once the schedule is created, authors who cannot present during their scheduled time must withdraw their paper from the program. We strongly recommend you *do not* make travel reservations until you know your presentation schedule which should be available in July.

Book of Accepted Abstracts

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- The Book of Accepted Abstracts will be posted at the ACSP website, so it is important that references are complete, all names are spelled correctly, and the text is proofread thoroughly.
- We will not edit your submission after publication and there will not be an opportunity for you to edit your work after the abstract submission deadline.

Questions

- **Program questions** should be addressed to National Conference chair Jennifer Minner, Cornell University, j.minner@cornell.edu
- **Abstract submission** procedure and payment questions should be addressed to: abstracts@acsp.org.

See you in Toronto!

2022 Tracks and Track Chairs *as of February 16*

- **Track 1 - Technology, Society and Analytical Methods**
Laura Tate, laura@lauratate.ca [2021, 2022]
Shan Jiang, Tufts University, shan.jiang@tufts.edu [2021, 2022, 2023]
- **Track 2 - Community Development**
Aujean Lee, University of Oklahoma, aujean@ou.edu [2020, 2021, 2022]
Carolina Reid, University of California, Berkeley, c_reid@berkeley.edu [2022, 2023, 2024]
- **Track 3 - Economic Development**
Margaret Cowell, Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University, vcowell@vt.edu [2020, 2021, 2022]
Li (Kerry) Fang, Florida State University, lfang3@fsu.edu [2022, 2023, 2024]
- **Track 4 - Environmental Planning & Resource Management**
Tijds Maasakkers, The Ohio State University, vanmaasakkers.1@osu.edu [2020, 2021, 2022]
Marcus Hendricks, University of Maryland, mdh1@umd.edu [2021, 2022, 2023]
- **Track 5 - Gender and Diversity in Planning**
Magdalena Ugarte, Ryerson University, magdalena@ryerson.ca [2020, 2021, 2022]
Fayola Jacobs, University of Minnesota, fayolaj@umn.edu [2022, 2023, 2024]
- **Track 6 – Housing**
Vincent Reina, University of Pennsylvania, vreina@upenn.edu [2020, 2021, 2022]
Zhilin Liu, Tsinghua University, zhilinliu@mail.tsinghua.edu.cn [2021, 2022, 2023]
- **Track 7 - International Development Planning**
Francis Owusu, Iowa State University, fowusu@iastate.edu [2021, 2022, 2023]
Alejandra Reyes, University of California, Irvine, lreyesru@uci.edu [2022, 2023, 2024]
- **Track 8 - Land Use Policy and Governance**
Nicholas Marantz, University of California, Irvine, nmarantz@uci.edu [2020, 2021, 2022]
Sara Meerow, Arizona State University, sara.meerow@asu.edu [2022, 2023, 2024]
- **Track 9 - Food Systems, Community Health, Safety**
Chia-Yuan Yu, University of Central Florida, chia-yuan.yu@ucf.edu [2021, 2022, 2023]
Samantha Biglieri, Ryerson University, samantha.biglieri@ryerson.ca [2022, 2023, 2024]
- **Track 10 - Planning Education and Pedagogy**
Rolf Pendall, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, rpendall@illinois.edu [2021, 2022, 2023]
Harley Etienne, The Ohio State University, etienne.21@osu.edu [2022, 2023, 2024]
- **Track 11 - Planning Process, Administration, Law and Dispute Resolution**
Danielle Spurlock, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, dspurloc@live.unc.edu [2021, 2022, 2023]
Seema Iyer, University of Baltimore, siyer@ubalt.edu [2021, 2022]
- **Track 12 - Regional Planning**
Monica Haddad, Iowa State University, haddad@iastate.edu [2020, 2021, 2022]
Tongbin Qu, Michigan State University, teresaqu@msu.edu [2021, 2022, 2023]
- **Track 13 – Scholarship on Planning History or Planning Theory** (two traditional tracks merged in 2022)
Ashima Krishna, Purdue University, krish191@purdue.edu [2021, 2022, 2023]
Janice Barry, University of Waterloo, janice.barry@uwaterloo.ca [2022, 2023, 2024]
- **Track 14 - Transportation & Infrastructure Planning**
Michael Duncan, Florida State University, mdduncan@fsu.edu [2020, 2021, 2022]
Jesus Barajas, University of California, Davis, jmbarajas@ucdavis.edu [2021, 2022, 2023]
- **Track 15 - Urban Design**
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Track descriptions and track chair contact information can be found on this page: <https://www.acsp.org/page/ConfTracks>