Call for Papers: Communication, Identities, and Difference Interest Group
Western States Communication Association 2019 Convention
Seattle, WA

Submission Deadline: September 1, 2018

The Communication, Identities, and Difference (CID) Interest Group of WSCA invites competitive paper submissions and program proposals for the 2019 Annual Convention in Seattle, Washington. The theme for this year's conference is "Advocating with Evidence." Further information about the conference theme and the general Call for Papers can be found at http://www.westcomm.org/. Submissions to the Communication, Identities, and Difference Interest Group should adhere to the guidelines listed below.

Competitive Papers: Authors are invited to submit completed papers that centralize the study of intersectional and historically marginalized identities (i.e., race, sexuality, class, nation, dis/ability, the body, and/or gender, among other identity categories) in the examination of communication regardless of theoretical or methodological approach. In addition, CID is an outlet for presenting scholarship and/or hosting panel sessions dedicated to scholarship that is committed to examining and unveiling the role of intersectional and marginalized identities in discursive and non-discursive realms. Submissions that variously engage the conference theme of "Advocating with Evidence" by upholding, challenging, or interrogating it, for example, are encouraged.

In adherence of WSCA convention guidelines, competitive papers should (1) not have been submitted to any other interest group; (2) not have been presented at another conference or convention; (3) not have been published; or (4) not have been accepted for publication. Only one competitive paper per author will be accepted by CID. Competitive paper submissions will be made electronically through Attendee Interactive. (This is our first year using the software; details for making submissions will be available at www.westcomm.org/ as soon as the software becomes available.). Please follow these additional guidelines as you prepare your submission.

1) **COMPETITIVE PAPERS** must:
   a) **Be no longer than 30 pages (including figures, images, notes, etc.).**
   b) Include a 100-200 word abstract of the paper (directly beneath the paper's title).
   c) Be free of any and all identifying information to ensure a fair and anonymous peer review. In other words, ensure the author's name(s) and any other identifying information is not listed on the paper's first page, in headers or footers, in the document's metadata, etc. Author names will be entered separately through Attendee Interactive.
   d) **Student Papers**: If all authors of a competitive paper are or were a student at the time of submission to WSCA, the paper is considered a student submission and is eligible for recognition by CID. If this is the case, the competitive paper should be marked "**STUDENT**" in the upper-right hand corner of the title page. Please also indicate whether each author is a bachelor's, master's, or doctoral student. NOTE: ALL AUTHORS of a competitive paper must meet the eligibility requirement for student status in order for the paper to be eligible for award consideration.

e) **Debut Papers**: If all the authors of a competitive paper "have not presented a paper at a state, regional, national, or international convention, or published in any academic journal," the paper is considered a debut submission and is eligible for recognition by CID and the WSCA Executive Club. If this is the case, the competitive paper should be marked "**DEBUT**" in the upper-right hand corner of the title page. Please also indicate whether each author is a bachelor's, master's, or doctoral student. NOTE: ALL AUTHORS of a competitive paper must meet the eligibility requirement for debut status in order for the paper to be eligible for award consideration.

f) Please note: audio-visual equipment is extremely limited and expensive. Therefore, be judicious in requesting technology only if essential for a successful presentation.

Program Proposals: Invited are program proposals that centralize the study of intersectional and historically marginalized identities (i.e., race, sexuality, class, nation, dis/ability, the body, and/or gender, among other identity categories) in the examination of communication regardless of theoretical or methodological approach. In addition, CID is an outlet for hosting panel sessions dedicated to scholarship that examines and unveils the role of intersectional and marginalized identities in social realms. Submissions that variously engage the conference theme of "Advocating with Evidence" by upholding, challenging, or interrogating it, for example, are encouraged.

Programs may consist of a chair, individual paper presenters, and a critic/respondent; as well, round-table discussions, performances, debates, or other unique formats are welcomed. In alternative program formats, respondents may be included or omitted as appropriate. Programs co-sponsored with other interest groups are also welcome. Program proposal submissions must be made electronically and should include in ONE (1) single attachment:

a) The thematic title of the program (as it will appear in the program, if accepted).
b) A 250-500 word rationale for the program as a whole.
c) Names, affiliations, e-mail addresses, and phone numbers of all participants.
d) For paper panels, the title and brief description (no more than 250 words) of each presentation.
e) Request for audio-visual technology, if necessary. Please note: audio-visual equipment is extremely limited and expensive. Therefore, be judicious in requesting technology only if essential for a successful presentation.

Competitive Paper/Program Proposal Submission Process
Competitive paper or program proposals must be submitted online through Attendee Interactive. (This is our first year using the software; details for making submissions will be available at www.westcomm.org/ as soon as the software becomes available.) All submissions should be in Microsoft Word or PDF format. Only electronic submissions will be accepted. Competitive Papers and Program Proposals must be received **NO LATER THAN 11:59 PM** on Saturday, September 1, 2018 to receive full consideration.

If you have any questions or concerns about CID or the submission process, please contact the CID program planner, Michelle A. Holling, Ph.D., at HollingWSCA@csusm.edu