



ACE RESEARCH SIG CALL FOR RESEARCH PAPERS DEADLINE: Monday, January 23, 2012

The Research Special Interest Group is pleased to announce the call for research papers for presentation at the **ACE Annual Meeting, June 11-14, 2012 in Annapolis, MD**. Please share this call with others in your unit to make sure that all interested colleagues are notified of this opportunity.

PAPER CATEGORIES

You are invited to submit **FULL** papers from which selections will be made for the conference agenda. Abstract submissions are not accepted. We are seeking papers relevant to our work in agricultural communications.

In addition to the faculty/professional research paper competition, a graduate student paper competition will be held this year. To be eligible for this competition, a graduate student must be listed as the lead author. Manuscripts presented previously at another national conference or published in a peer-reviewed journal may not be submitted.

SUBMISSIONS GUIDELINES

- Submit manuscripts electronically to Vice-Chair Elect Courtney Meyers at courtney.meyers@ttu.edu
- The manuscript consists of a one-page cover sheet; one-page abstract; the research study itself, including graphic/tabular information (tables, figures, photographs); and references.
- Manuscripts should be formatted and submitted as pdf documents. Each separate document is detailed below.

Document 1-CoverPage

- One page that includes manuscript title, author(s) name(s), mailing addresses, phone numbers, fax numbers, and e-mail addresses of all authors.
- If more than one person authored the paper, the lead author should be listed first.
- Author information should not appear on any page except for the cover page.
- If a graduate student is lead author, this should be indicated on the cover page.
- Manuscript title should be centered with initial letters in caps and should appear on the title page and the initial page of the paper.

Document 2–Manuscript

Please note, the researcher(s) should not be identifiable in any of these materials.

Abstract:

- 250 words maximum on one single page.
- Include one line at the bottom of the abstract of keywords about the paper. Include about seven keywords or phrases.

Research Study:

- All tables, figures, and photographs should be placed within the body of the paper as soon after their first mention in the text as possible.
- The table functions command **MUST BE USED** for all tables.
- Format:
- 12-point Times Roman or Times New Roman font with one-inch margins.

- Do not use headers, footers, or footnotes.
- Do include page numbers in the bottom left corner starting with the first page of the manuscript (not the abstract).
- 20 double-spaced pages, excluding cover page, abstract, and references. Shorter manuscripts are encouraged.
- Use American Psychological Association (6th Edition) style in all situations (citations in text body and reference list, statistical symbols, and table titles).
- Suggested Paper Sections: Introduction/Theoretical Framework, Purpose and Objectives, Methods/Procedures, Results/Findings, Discussion/Conclusions, References.

NOTIFICATION OF ACCEPTED PAPERS

Authors of papers accepted for presentation will be notified in March 2012. Authors will receive the reviewers' critique forms. Authors whose papers are accepted for presentation will be able to revise their papers and submit a final version by May 1, 2012 as a .pdf for inclusion on the Proceedings CD, which will be available at the paper presentation sessions.

BEST PAPER COMPETITIONS

Best paper awards will be awarded for both faculty and graduate student lead papers. A separate review will be conducted after papers have been selected for presentation at the ACE Annual Meeting. To be eligible for the Top Graduate Student Paper award, the lead author must be a graduate student. No papers will be considered for both competitions.

We look forward to seeing you in Annapolis!

Judith White, Chair

Jason Ellis, Vice Chair

Courtney Meyers, Vice Chair-Elect