

Political Communication Division

Submissions Open: Mon, 1/13 2014 12:00 AM EDT

Submissions Close: Thu, 3/27 2014 3:00 AM EDT

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2014 Call for Submissions

The Political Communication Division invites competitive papers, paper session proposals, and panel discussion proposals that explore and advance political communication theory and research. The division embraces all theoretical and methodological approaches to the study of political communication. The submission of papers, paper sessions, and panel discussions pursuing the convention theme of "The Presence of Our Past(s): NCA at 100" are encouraged, and should substantiate their relevance in the title and/or abstract.

Deadline: WEDNESDAY, MARCH 26, 2014, at 11:59 Pacific Time

Note: All paper, paper session, and panel discussion submissions must be completed electronically through the NCA Submission Central online system; submissions will not be accepted via email or fax. Also note that each submission must be made to one unit only; in other words, the same submission cannot be submitted to different divisions.

COMPETITIVE PAPERS:

Please complete the required electronic submission fields including title, description, author(s), and keywords. Please indicate if your submission is a student paper and if you want to be considered for Scholar to Scholar on the electronic submission form. Upload a copy of your paper. Paper submissions must include an abstract page with the paper title and a 200-250 word abstract in the uploaded paper file. Competitive paper uploads should not exceed 25 pages of text (not including title page, abstract page, references, tables, or appendices). No information identifying the author may appear in the uploaded paper document. Submitters of competitive papers should indicate whether they are willing to present their work during a scholar-to-scholar (poster) session by checking the appropriate agreement box.

--*Student Papers*: Student papers, where all authors are students, should prominently mark STUDENT on both the abstract page and the first page of the text as well as checking the appropriate agreement box.

SCHOLAR-TO-SCHOLAR:

Scholar-to-scholar sessions are designed to encourage alternative forms of presentation, one-on-one interaction, and communities of knowledge. Your submission will still be reviewed by our division but may then be scheduled during a larger NCA Scholar-to-Scholar session to allow you more flexibility in your presentation format. Scholar-to-Scholar sessions invite submissions using interactive media formats such as posters, laptop displays, and other experiential activities. If you would like to be considered for Scholar to Scholar, check the S2S box on the NCA Submission Central form. For more information on Scholar to Scholar, please visit the NCA Convention web site (www.natcom.org/programinfo).

PAPER SESSION AND PANEL DISCUSSION PROPOSALS:

Researchers can submit either (a) a paper session, which includes titled, paper presentations centered on a common theme; or, (b) a panel discussion, which includes a group discussion of a specific topic that does not include papers. The following information will need to be cut-and-pasted directly into the NCA Submission Central system:

Paper Sessions—consist of a group of presenters who propose to present titled research papers centered on a common theme. Paper Session proposals submissions must include:

- 1) A title and 75-word description of the session for the online convention program
- 2) The name of the session's chair and respondent (if applicable)
- 3) A title and 75-word abstract for each individual presenter's paper
- 4) A list of the author(s) for each individual presenter's paper

5) A 250-word rationale for the entire session

Panel Discussions—are seminar-type conversations in which a group of panelists discuss a specific topic that is described in a general description (75-word limit) and extended rationale (250-word limit) but without titled individual presentations. Panel Discussion proposals submissions must include:

- 1) A title and 75-word description for the entire panel for the online convention program
- 2) The name of the panel's chair and respondent (if applicable)
- 3) A list of all presenters
- 4) A 250-word rationale for the entire panel

The criteria by which all panel proposals will be evaluated are the following: relevance to the field of political communication, the panel's theoretical and/or empirical contribution, the importance of the issue/topic, and coherence of the panel.

AUDIO VIDEO REQUESTS:

A/V requests must be made at the time of submission. We regret that late requests cannot be accommodated.

RESOURCES:

All submitters are encouraged to review the Professional Standards for Convention Participants prior to submission. Helpful resources, including live and recorded step-by-step instructions on how to submit, are available in the Convention Library at <http://www.natcom.org/conventionresources/>.

Please contact the program planner with any questions:

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