

**100th Annual Meeting
SOUTHERN OREGON UNIVERSITY
Ashland, Oregon
18 – 21 June 2019**

Call for Symposium and Workshop Proposals

Deadline for Submission: 1 April 2019

Members of AAAS and its affiliated societies, students, teachers and other scientists are encouraged to participate in the 2019 annual meeting by developing symposia and/or workshops. Persons wishing to develop a program for the Ashland meeting should e-mail the title, description and other information (see instructions below) to the Pacific Division office at bowerj@sou.edu. They should have also read and agree to the “Position Description: Symposium Organizer” document on page 3 of this call.

SYMPOSIA

Symposia are generally scheduled in 1/2-day (3 to 4 hours) sessions and for this meeting may be from 1 to 6 sessions in length (1/2 day to three days). Individual symposium presentations are scheduled at 30 minute intervals (about 24 minutes for presentation, 5 minutes for questions, and 1 minute for changeover to the next speaker), but the actual scheduling depends on the needs of the symposium and may be longer or shorter, even a combination of different lengths. Please contact Dr. James Bower, Pacific Division Executive Director, to discuss your specific needs. When preparing your submission, please indicate which presenters are confirmed (see 10 below). If you do not yet have a list of presenters, you may submit a list of potential presentation topics. Please keep in mind that we need as much information as early as possible in order to adequately consider and publicize the symposium.

WORKSHOPS

Workshops are generally scheduled for a 1/2-day or full-day and may or may not accompany a symposium. If special facilities and/or equipment are required, be sure to identify what you need as completely as possible in your submission (10 below). If a cost is incurred, it will be passed along to participants as a workshop fee in addition to the ordinary meeting registration fee.

SPECIAL MEETING THEMES

While as always, the meeting is happy to accept symposium presentations and contributed oral and poster presentation in any of the broad science disciplines indicated below, this year we have also identified several themes around which we will organize part of the meeting. If your symposium, workshop, or contributed oral or poster presentation is relevant to one (or more) of these themes, please include the theme(s) in your list of key words.

- Working with local community leaders we have identified several topics of particular interest to the local community:
 - Climate change
 - Causes and impacts of forest fires
 - Societal and economic implications of AI, machine learning, and robotics
 - The opioid epidemic
 - Local Oregon environmental issues including the proposed Coos Bay pipeline and efforts to remove dams from the Klamath River
 - Diversification of local agriculture
 - The biology of aging
 - The science of wine
 - Impact and issues concerning pollinators

- Please also indicate in the key words if your symposium, workshop or contributed research relates to the following issues in science and technology:
 - The future of scientific publishing
 - The future of higher education
 - The expanding role of computational modeling in basic science
 - New approaches to STEM education: k-12
 - The importance of interdisciplinary approaches in science and technology
 - Engaging the public in science
 - Fostering inclusion of underrepresented minorities in science
- Finally, this year’s meeting is also making an explicit effort to link and collaborate with regional cultural organizations and assets. Accordingly, please indicate in your key words if your submission is potentially relevant to linkage between science and:
 - Theater
 - Film
 - Art
 - Music.

SUBMIT YOUR PROPOSAL

Provide the following information as part of your proposal submission. Missing information will cause the proposal to be returned for completion.

- 1:** Organizer’s name, affiliation, address, telephone number and *long-term* e-mail address
- 2:** Co-organizer’s name(s) (if any) name(s), affiliation(s), address(es), telephone number(s) and *long-term* e-mail address(es)
- 3:** Is this a proposal for a Workshop or a Symposium?
- 4:** Number of sessions requested (a session is roughly three to four hours, depending on the needs of the program)
- 5:** Do you anticipate having any students among the presenters? If so, how many?
- 6:** Is there a particular day on which this program *must* occur? If so, what is it and why must it be scheduled on that day?
- 7:** Pacific Division section(s) and/or affiliated society you are requesting to sponsor this program (see page 4 of this document). *You must identify at least one section or society to sponsor your program or your proposal will be returned.*
- 8:** Title of proposed program
- 9:** Brief description of proposed program (please limit to 300 words) and include up to 5 key words for the program.
- 10:** *If a symposium*, list the names of proposed (confirmed?) speakers, including academic/professional affiliation and e-mail address for each. Presentation titles are optional at this time and will be requested later, along with an abstract for each presentation. Abstracts are to be collected no later than 1 April 2019 and vetted by the symposium organizer, who then forwards them as a package to the Pacific Division office (bowerj@sou.edu) no later than Monday, 8 April 2019, along with a schedule for the program.
If a workshop, indicate facilities and/or special equipment required and number of participants that can be accommodated.

QUESTIONS?

Contact Dr. James Bower at 541-499-7502 or bowerj@sou.edu.

Position Description: Symposium Organizer

The symposium organizer fleshes out the idea(s) for a symposium, arranges for appropriate presenters, communicates on behalf of the Division to the presenters, creates the schedule for the symposium, makes sure that presenters' abstracts are submitted in a timely manner, approves abstracts for content and style, collects presenters' PowerPoint presentations in advance of the program, and serves as the liaison between the presenters and the Pacific Division office.

The organizer, who may be an individual or a group of individuals, provides a title, brief description (250 words or less), and potential presentation titles and/or presenters' names as well as other information (see page 1 of this document for complete information) to the Executive Director, either through the local program organizing committee or directly. Once accepted into the program, the information is posted to the Division's symposium web page. The organizer shall then:

1. finalize the list of presenters and titles for their presentations;
2. communicate with the presenters, among other things, the following:
 - the 1 April 2019 deadline for abstracts to be submitted to the symposium organizer,
[NOTE: All symposium abstracts are submitted directly to the symposium organizer, not a section chair or the Pacific Division office. Abstracts for contributed papers/posters go a different route and have a different deadline for submission. The 1 April deadline is for submission of abstracts to symposium organizers. The 8 April deadline for organizers is to allow them time to collect and review all abstracts before sending them to the Pacific Division office.]
 - the computer operating system and version of PowerPoint that will be used for the symposium, and
 - the requirement for all presenters to register for the meeting (special rates are provided for presenters and program planners/organizers; note that registering early is less expensive than registering later);
3. prepare a schedule for the presentations and send it to the Executive Director no later than 8 April 2019;
4. collect all of the presenters' abstracts, vet them for format and content (see Call for Papers and Abstracts for how to format an abstract), and send them as a bundle to the AAASPD Executive Director no later than 8 April 2019 [NOTE: abstracts should not be sent to the AAASPD office by individuals, but only as a bundle by the program planner];
5. review page proofs of the program for their symposium to ensure accuracy;
6. collect presenters' PowerPoint presentations and load them onto a computer in advance of the session; and
7. communicate information about the symposium to the Executive Director in a timely manner to allow for publication and advertising of the symposium in the Division's newsletters and on the Division's website.

Important dates for program planners for the 2019 meeting in Ashland

2018

01 November – submission deadline for early consideration of symposium proposals. Note that proposals can continue to be submitted, but later submissions may have a lower chance of being accepted into the program.

25 November – deadline for submission of information for inclusion in the January *Newsletter*.

2019

01 April – deadline for symposium presenters to submit abstracts of their presentations to symposium organizers.

08 April – deadline for symposium organizers to send abstracts as a bundle, along with symposium schedule, to the Executive Director.

01 June – completed program (Proceedings), including schedule of all presentations (dates, times and locations), posted to the Division website.

Executive Director Contact Information

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**SOCIETIES AND PACIFIC DIVISION SECTIONS ACCEPTING CONTRIBUTED PRESENTATIONS
(BOTH ORAL AND POSTER) FOR THE JUNE 2019 AAASPD MEETING IN ASHLAND, OR**

Agriculture, Food, and Renewable Resources. Section chair and program organizer: *Please contact the Pacific Division office, bowerj@sou.edu, for information on this section.*

Anthropology and Archaeology. Section chair and program organizer: *Dr. Claudia Garcia-Des Lauriers*, Department of Geography and Anthropology, Cal Poly Pomona, 3801 W. Temple Ave., Pomona, CA 91768. Contact: 909-869-5264; clauriers@cpp.edu.

Atmospheric and Hydrospheric Sciences. Section chair and program organizer: *Dr. Clive E. Dorman*, Research Oceanographer, Integrative Oceanography Division, Scripps Institution of Oceanography Dept 0209, University of California, San Diego, La Jolla, CA 92093-0209. Contact: cdorman@ucsd.edu.

Cell and Molecular Biology (including Medical and Dental research in these areas). Section chair and program organizer: *Please contact the Pacific Division office, bowerj@sou.edu, for information on this section.*

Chemistry and Biochemistry. Section chair and program organizer: *Dr. Owen M. McDougal*, Department of Chemistry and Biochemistry, Boise State University, Boise, ID 83725. Contact: 208-426-3964; owenmcdougal@boisestate.edu.

Computer and Information Sciences. Section chair and program organizer: *Please contact the Pacific Division office, bowerj@sou.edu, for information on this section.*

Earth Sciences. Section chair and program organizer: *Dr. Jad D'Allura*, Department of Geology (emeritus), Southern Oregon University, Ashland, OR 97520. Contact: 541-899-7010 or 541-690-7739; dallura@sou.edu and rockit526@gmail.com (copy e-mail to both accounts).

Ecology, Environmental Sciences, and Sustainability. Section chair and program organizer: *Dr. Richard Van Buskirk*, Environmental Studies, Pacific University, 2043 College Way, Forest Grove, OR 97116. Contact: 503-352-2251; vanbuskirk@pacificu.edu.

Education. Section chair and program organizer: *Please contact the Pacific Division office, bowerj@sou.edu, for information on this section.*

Engineering, Technology and Applied Sciences. Section chair and program organizer: *Dr. Frank Jacobitz*, Department of Engineering, University of San Diego, 5998 Alcalá Park, San Diego, CA 92110. Contact: 619-260-7820; jacobitz@sandiego.edu.

Evolution, Organismal Biology, and Biodiversity. Section chair and program organizer: *Dr. Julia Ruppell*, Department of Biology, University of Portland, Department of Biology, 5000 N. Willamette Blvd., Portland, OR 97203-5798 Contact: 503-943-8015; ruppell@up.edu.

General and Interdisciplinary. Section chair and program organizer: *Ms. Crystal Goldman*, UC San Diego Library University of California, San Diego 9500 Gilman Drive #175Q La Jolla, CA 92093 Contact: 858-246-1626; clgoldman@ucsd.edu.

History and Philosophy of Science. Section chair and program organizer: *Dr. Sarah M. Roe*, Department of Philosophy, Southern Connecticut State University, 501 Crescent Street, New Haven, Connecticut 06515. Contact: 203-392-6767; roes1@southernct.edu.

Materials Science. Section chair and program organizer: *Dr. Vilupanur Ravi*, Department of Chemical and Materials Engineering, California Polytechnic University, Pomona, CA 91768. Contact: 909-869-2627; vravi@cpp.edu.

Mathematics. Section chair and program organizer: *Dr. Liljana Babinkostova*, Department of Mathematics, Boise State University, 1910 University Drive, Boise, ID 83725. Contact: 208-426-1172; liljanababinkostova@boisestate.edu.

Physics. Section chair and program organizer: *Dr. Ellen Siem*, Department of Physics and Engineering, Southern Oregon University, 1250 Siskiyou Blvd., Ashland, OR. Contact: 541-552-6489; sieme@sou.edu.

Pharmaceutical Sciences. Section chair and program organizer: *Dr. Jozef Stec*, Department of Pharmaceutical Sciences, College of Pharmacy, Marshall B. Ketchum University, 2575 Yorba Linda Blvd., Fullerton, CA 92831-1699. Contact: 714-872-5711; jstec@ketchum.edu.

Psychology. Section chair and program organizer: *Dr. Veronica Galván*, Department of Psychology, University of San Diego, San Diego, CA 92110. Contact: 619-260-7739; vgalvan@SanDiego.edu.

Science and the Arts and Humanities. Section chair and program organizer: *Dr. Robert L. Chianese*, Department of English, California State University, Northridge, Northridge, CA 91330; Current Contact Information: 2465 Hall Canyon Road, Ventura, CA 93001, 805-643-5034; rlchianese@gmail.com.

Social, Economic and Political Sciences (including Health Services). Section chair and program organizer: *Dr. Carl A. Maida*, UCLA Schools of Dentistry and Medicine, University of California, PO Box 951668 CHS, Los Angeles, CA 90095. Contact: 805-492-5613; cmaida@ucla.edu.