

Pacific Division



99th Annual Meeting
CALIFORNIA STATE POLYTECHNIC UNIVERSITY
Pomona, California
11 – 15 June 2018

Call for Symposium and Workshop Proposals

Members of AAAS and its affiliated societies, students, teachers and other scientists are encouraged to participate in the 2018 annual meeting by developing symposia and/or workshops. Persons wishing to develop a program for the Pomona meeting should e-mail the title, description and other information (see instructions below) to the Pacific Division office at rchristi@sou.edu. They should have also read and agree to the “Position Description: Symposium Organizer” on page 2 of this document.

Symposia are 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 29 minutes for presentation and questions and 1 minute for changeover to 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. Roger Christianson, 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 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.

Questions? Contact Dr. Roger Christianson at 541-552-6747 or rchristi@sou.edu.

Format your submission as below. 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:** Do you anticipate having any students among the presenters? If so, how many?
- 5:** Number of sessions requested (a session is roughly three to four hours, depending on the needs of the program)
- 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 3 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 250 words)
- 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 2018 and vetted by the symposium organizer, who then forwards them as a package to the Pacific Division office (rchristi@sou.edu) no later than Monday, 9 April 2018.
If a workshop, indicate facilities and/or special equipment required and number of participants that can be accommodated.

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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 2018 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 9 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 9 April 2018;
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 9 April 2018 [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 2018 meeting in Hawai'i

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- 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*.

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- 02 January – January *Newsletter* is posted to the Division website.
- 24 February – deadline for submission of updated information for inclusion in the April *Newsletter*.
- 01 April – April *Newsletter* is posted to the Division website.
- 01 April – deadline for submission by presenters of symposium presentations to symposium organizers.
- 09 April – deadline for symposium organizers to send abstracts as a bundle, along with symposium schedule, to the Executive Director.
- 18 May – completed program (Proceedings) delivered to printer; 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 2018 AAASPD MEETING IN POMONA, CA**

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

Anthropology and Archaeology. Section chair and program organizer: *Dr. Sang-Hee Lee*, Department of Anthropology, University of California Riverside, Riverside, CA 92621. Contact: 951-827-4390; shlee@ucr.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: *Dr. Kristen Mitchell*, Department of Biology, Boise State University, Boise, ID 83725. Contact: 208-426-4620; kristenmitchell@boisestate.edu.

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, rchristi@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, rchristi@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*, Martin Luther King, Jr. Library, San Jose State University, One Washington Square, San Jose, CA 95192. Contact: 408-808-2015; crystal.goldman@sjsu.edu.

History and Philosophy of Science. Section chair and program organizer: *Dr. Roberta Millstein*, Department of Philosophy, University of California Davis, One Shields Avenue, Davis, CA 95616-8673. Contact: 530-554-1398; RLMillstein@UCDavis.edu.

Materials Science. Section chair and program organizer: *Dr. George Quainoo*, Department of Physics and Engineering, Southern Oregon University, 1250 Siskiyou Blvd, Ashland, OR 97520. Contact: 541-552-6404; quainoog@sou.edu. Section co-chair: *Dr. Vilupanur Ravi*, Department of Chemical and Materials Engineering, California Polytechnic University, Pomona, CA 91768. Contact: 909-869-2627; rvavi@cupomona.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.

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.