

PAPER COMPETITION UNIFORM CALL

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The programming groups within the Council of Divisions of the Association for Education in Journalism and Mass Communication invite submission of original, non-published, research papers to be considered for presentation at the AEJMC Conference, August 7 to 10, 2023, in Washington, D.C. Specific requirements for each competition — including limits on paper length — are spelled out in the listing of groups and research chairs that appear below. **Submissions are to be in English only.**

All research submissions must be uploaded through an online server to the group appropriate to the submission's topic via this link: <https://convention2.allacademic.com/one/aejmc/aejmc23/>. The following uniform call will apply to ALL AEJMC group competitions. Additional information specific to an individual group's call is available at the end of the uniform call information.

1. Submit via this link (<https://convention2.allacademic.com/one/aejmc/aejmc23/>) to the AEJMC group appropriate to the submission's topic. Format should be Word, WordPerfect, or a PDF. **PDF format is strongly encouraged.**
 2. The submission must be uploaded to the server no later than 11:59 P.M. (Central Daylight Time) **Saturday, April 1, 2023.**
 3. Also upload an abstract of no more than 75-words.
 4. Completely fill out the online submission form with author(s) name, affiliation, mailing address, telephone number, and email address. The title should be printed on the first page of the text and on running heads on each page of text, as well as on the title page. **Don't include author's name on running heads or title page.**
 5. Submissions uploaded with author's identifying information are subject to disqualification from review.
 6. **Submissions are accepted for peer review on the understanding that they are not already under review for other conferences and that they have been submitted to only one AEJMC group for evaluation.** Submissions accepted for the AEJMC Conference should not have been presented to other conferences and cannot be published or appear online prior to the AEJMC conference.
 7. Student submissions compete on an equal footing in open paper competitions unless otherwise specified by the individual division or interest group. Individual group specifications are appended to this uniform call.
 8. Research submitted with both faculty and student authors will be considered faculty submissions and are not eligible for student competitions.
 9. If a submission is accepted, and the author does not present at the conference, or plan for the submission to be presented by another, then the acceptance status is revoked. It may not be included on a vita.
 10. Authors will be advised whether their submission has been accepted by **May 20** and may access a copy of reviewers' comments from the online server. Contact the research chair if you are not notified or have questions about submission acceptance.
- Special note:** Authors who have submitted research and have not been notified by **May 20**, **must** contact the division or interest group research chair for acceptance information. The AEJMC Central Office may not have this information available.
11. Authors of accepted submissions retain copyright of their papers and are free to submit them for publication after receiving paper reviewers' comments.

Important Submission Information

- Upload submissions for the AEJMC 2023 Washington, D.C. Conference beginning **January 15, 2023**. Submitters should follow instructions on the front page of the submission site to create your account and complete the information required.
- **Deadline for submissions is April 1, 2023, at 11:59 p.m. CDT.** Any submissions after this time will not be accepted.

- **Before submitting your research, please make certain that all author-identifying information has been removed** and that all instructions have been followed per the AEJMC uniform call.

Eliminate any metadata that includes the author's identity.

Take every precaution to ensure that your self-citations do not in any way reveal your identity.

Remove language that signals the author of the published work is also the author of the current paper. For example, the author may simply use "in a previous study, researchers..." rather than "in a previously published pilot study, I..." or "As I argued in..." This is not always possible since authors may desire to build on their previous works, but wording can be rewritten to avoid obvious self-citation in many cases.

Simply put, cite your own work as if it were being cited by another author—not yourself.

- **A cover sheet or a sheet with the 75-word required abstract that is included with a paper upload should be excluded from the page number limits set by all AEJMC Groups.**

NOTE: Contact Felicia Greenlee Brown with comments, concerns, and other Conference Paper Call inquiries at Felicia@aejmc.org.
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AEJMC Paper Competition Group Calls

Divisions

Advertising Division

The Advertising Division invites submissions of original research papers that address a topic or issue relevant to our field. The Advertising Division accepts submissions in five paper categories which are identified and described below. Papers submitted to any category must be double-spaced and use 12-point Times New Roman or equivalent font. Submissions should follow *APA* or *any other reference style*. The maximum length for any paper is 30 pages **including tables, figures, and references**. Any paper longer than 30 pages (not including a title page and/or abstract) will be disqualified and not assigned for review. The Ad Division also accepts Extended Abstracts (750-1,500 words) following the Extended Abstract Call Guidelines for AEJMC. **Submissions with any residual identifying information will not be considered for review and will automatically be disqualified from the competition.** Before uploading your paper, please exercise extra diligence to remove all author identification from the document, including any file properties or obvious reference to self-citations. We recommend submitting your manuscripts at least a day or two before the deadline so you can check to make sure that the uploaded document does not contain any self-identifying information in its properties, as can happen sometimes, mysteriously, via "save as pdf" or as a result of some other technical issue. An early submission will allow any and all individuals to fully check submissions as they are entered into the system so that a resubmission prior to the deadline is possible. **A paper may not be simultaneously under review** with more than one division within AEJMC; with the AEJMC annual conference and any other academic conference; and/or with the AEJMC annual conference and any publication (e.g., journal, book chapter, etc.). As a condition of acceptance, one or more authors of any paper must agree to attend and present the paper at the AEJMC annual conference in Detroit. However, given the ongoing pandemic, financial constraints, and/or institutional policies regarding travel, an al-

ternative presentation format through synchronous "live" video or video-taped paper presentation will be accepted.

Open Research: Papers or extended abstracts submitted to the Open Research category must address a topic that is relevant to the field of advertising. Examples include (but are not limited to) advertising and media effects; analysis of ads and advertising content; cross-cultural, international and/or global advertising; agency management, structure and/or organization; diversity, equity, and inclusions as it relates to advertising; and the economic, political, social and/or environmental impact of advertising. Research informed by and testing theories and/or using methods associated with quantitative, qualitative, or critical/cultural research perspectives is welcome in this category. The top three papers in this category will receive awards of \$300, \$200, and \$100, respectively. For more information, please contact Linwan Wu, Advertising Division Research Chair, University of South Carolina. Email: linwanwu@mailbox.sc.edu. Tel: 803-777-0771.

Teaching and Pedagogy: Papers or extended abstracts submitted to this category should present research that addresses a topic relevant to advertising education. Examples include (but are not limited to) approaches to or case studies about teaching a specific advertising course; innovations in teaching and pedagogy; use of technology in the classroom; assessment of learning outcomes; advising student groups and organizations; and review or revision of core courses or advertising curriculum. Commentaries about teaching philosophy and papers consisting solely of teaching tips will not be accepted. Papers submitted to the teaching competition will be considered for review by the *Journal of Advertising Education*. The top paper in this category will receive an award of \$100. For more information, please contact Shanshan Lou, Teaching and Pedagogy Chair, Appalachian State University. Email: lous@app-state.edu. Tel: 828-262-4035.

Professional Freedom & Responsibility (PF&R): Papers submitted to this category should present research that explores concepts of diversity, equity, and/or inclusion (DEI) within the advertising industry. Despite the growing importance of DEI in the ad industry, we still don't have a clear insight on what it means to have more equitable and inclusive spaces within ad agencies and brand representation, how to communicate a firm's or a brand's DEI initiatives to various stakeholders, and how exactly DEI can help brands connect with consumers. Examples for research in this cate-

gory may include (but are not limited to) current advertising industry DEI trends, historical influences, conceptualizing and measuring DEI, the effect of DEI on consumer-brand experience, consumer-ad experience (for example through ad targeting and personalization), DEI and consumer well-being, DEI, privacy, and safety in the digital space, the role of DEI in academia, profession, and in society. Other areas of consideration include free expression, ethics in advertising, media criticism and accountability, and public service.

Submissions may take the form of traditional research papers; however, commentaries, critical essays, and integrative literature reviews are also welcome. The top paper in this category will receive an award of \$100. For more information, please contact Eunjin (Anna) Kim, PF&R Chair, University of Southern California. Email: eunjink@usc.edu. Tel: 213-821-9795.

Graduate and Undergraduate Student Research: Graduate and undergraduate students are invited to submit original research papers or extended abstracts that address a topic that is relevant to the field of advertising. Research informed by and testing theories and/or using methods associated with quantitative, qualitative, or critical/cultural research perspectives is welcome in this category. Authors need to be a student (e.g., undergraduate or graduate student, incl. PhD candidates) at time of submission. **Faculty and post-docs may not co-author any paper submitted to this category.** Papers co-authored by faculty and students submitted to this competition will be disqualified. Instead, such papers should be submitted to the Open Research competition or any other relevant category. The top three student papers in this category will receive awards of \$200, \$100, and \$50, respectively. For more information, please contact Claire M. Segijn, Student Track Chair, University of Minnesota. Email: segijn@umn.edu. Tel: 612-626-7753.

Special Topics in Advertising: Papers or extended abstracts submitted to the Special Topics category should address the broad area of advertising literacy. Advertising literacy is defined as the consumers' ability to recognize, access, evaluate, and cope with advertising and marketing communication in a variety of forms, contexts, and platforms. Examples of the research in this topic include, but are not limited to, the role of consumers' awareness, knowledge, and/or ability in coping with advertising personalization, data-driven targeting, digital privacy infringement, AI-driven communication, algorithmic advertising, technology-driven persuasion tactics, children's advertising, deceptive advertising, political advertising, advertising skepticism, (non)transparency in persuasion, sponsorship (non)disclosure, influencer marketing, native advertising, product placement, misinformation and disinformation, and trust and credibility issues in advertising. Research can apply psychological, sociological, economical and/or critical/cultural theories with qualitative, quantitative and/or computational research methods, but not limited to such applications. Commentaries, critical essays, and integrative literature reviews will be accepted. However, any submission that is not directly relevant to the special topic will be moved to the Open Research category. The top paper in this category will receive an award of \$100. For more information, please contact Chang-Dae Ham, Special Topics Track Chair, University of Illinois Urbana Champaign. Email: cdham317@illinois.edu. Tel: 217-333-3773.

Broadcast and Mobile Journalism Division

The Broadcast and Mobile Journalism Division invites faculty and students to submit original research on any aspect of broadcast and/or mobile news content and/or production. This may include many topics related to broadcast or mobile journalism, including television, radio or audio (including podcasting), digital reporting

practices, mobile and app-based journalism, virtual reality/360 reporting, social media journalism, or the role of new and changing media in journalism. Research papers for the 2023 AEJMC annual conference in Washington, D.C., must be submitted no later than 11:59 P.M. (Central Daylight Time) Saturday, April 1, 2023.

We welcome research articles that employ any methodology, including qualitative, quantitative, or mixed methods. Some possible topics that may be relevant to the Broadcast and Mobile Journalism Division are:

- The role of mobile technologies in news production
- The impact of mobile technologies on traditional broadcast news
- The impact of social media and/or broadcast news on politics, environmental issues, racial and social justice issues, crisis reporting, or other topics
- Global perspectives on broadcast and mobile journalism
- Diversity in the newsroom
- Digital news production
- Audience effects in broadcast and mobile journalism
- Video news produced directly for social media or online sites
- The role of the broadcast journalist in the evolving media landscape
- The role of organizations, ownership, and sociological structures on broadcast and mobile reporting practices

Authors of papers accepted for the conference will be encouraged to submit their manuscript for possible publication in *Electronic News*, the official journal for the Broadcast and Mobile Journalism Division. Papers accepted for the conference are not guaranteed publication in the journal.

Papers submitted to the Broadcast and Mobile Journalism Division competition should be no longer than 25 pages of manuscript, excluding tables, figures, references and appendices, and should be submitted in one of the generally approved academic bibliographic styles (i.e. APA, Chicago, etc.). Papers should be in 12-point, Times New Roman font, double-spaced and with one-inch margins. Additionally, a separate page containing an abstract of no more than 75 words is required. Documents must be uploaded as Word, WordPerfect, or PDF files. PDF format is strongly encouraged.

Please be sure to submit a clean paper without author identifying information; otherwise the paper will be disqualified. In addition to removing author-identifying information from the paper and file properties, the uniform paper call has added suggestions for avoiding identification through self-citation. If you plan to submit a paper that includes a self-citation, you should remove language that suggests the cited study is yours (e.g., "in a previous study, researchers..." rather than "in a previous study, I..."). "Simply put," the guidance concludes, "cite your own work as if it were being cited by another author – not yourself." If the broader scholarly community is unlikely to have access to your self-citation (e.g. it's an unpublished pilot or a conference paper that was never made available in published proceedings), AEJMC suggests referencing a different work that can support the same argument, or eliminating the citation altogether. To be clear, self-citation is not automatically disqualifying, but self-citation that obviously identifies the author through one of the ways mentioned above will be disqualifying.

Please refer to AEJMC's uniform paper call on how to upload clean papers, including guidance on self-citation. You are encouraged to submit your paper at least a day or two before the deadline so that you can check to ensure your paper does not contain any identifying information in its properties, as can happen sometimes when documents are saved as PDFs.

The Broadcast and Mobile Journalism Division accepts a total

of one paper in which the author is the first author. You can submit a maximum of two papers in the division regardless of author order. For example, you can submit one paper in which you are the first author and one where you are the second author; however, you cannot submit two papers in which you are the first author. If you have additional publications outside of these guidelines, please submit one of the papers to another division.

The division offers cash prizes for top faculty paper submissions, split evenly among co-authors; top student papers will receive free conference admission. Please note the student papers must be completely authored by students. Students with a faculty member as a co-author will be judged in the faculty division. Papers submitted for the student paper competition must clearly contain "Student Paper Competition" on the title page to be considered for the student paper competition.

Authors of all selected papers are expected to present their work in Washington. Cash awards for winning papers will be awarded only if the authors present their work at the conference.

Questions concerning conference paper submissions should be directed to the division's research chair, Dr. Volha Kananovich, at kananovichv@appstate.edu. Questions regarding submissions to the division's journal, *Electronic News*, should be directed to the editor Dr. Debora Wenger at drwenger@olemiss.edu. All papers must be uploaded through the AEJMC All Academic portal. Once you have created an account on the AEJMC All Academic site, you will be able to choose the Broadcast and Mobile Journalism Division prior to submitting your paper.

Communicating Science, Health, Environment and Risk Division

The Communicating Science, Health, Environment and Risk (ComSHER) Division invites paper and extended abstract submissions that represent original research related to science, health, environment, risk, and other topics relevant to the communication of scientific information to the general public or specific populations. ComSHER welcomes submissions from all disciplinary approaches and methodological orientations, including quantitative and qualitative methods. ComSHER is committed to highlighting research that showcases diversity, equity, inclusion, and justice issues and international perspectives throughout the conference.

In any one year, an individual can appear as author or co-author on a maximum of two (2) submitted research papers and/or extended abstracts. If one individual appears as author or co-author on more than two (2) research submissions, the ComSHER Executive Committee reserves the right to disqualify some or all of the papers in question from the research competition.

All non-student papers will be considered for Top Paper Awards, which are determined by overall reviewer rankings. Authors of awarded Top Papers will be invited to present their research on a panel at this year's conference and will additionally be honored at the ComSHER Business Meeting. A Top Poster Award will also be at this year's conference.

To further acknowledge research excellence, ComSHER offers the Eason Prize for the top three student papers. The Eason Prize is awarded in memory of former University of Texas doctoral candidate Lori Eason (1957-2002). The Eason Prize awards include \$500 for first place, \$300 for second place, and \$200 for third place. Papers competing for the Eason Prize cannot be co-authored with faculty. Student submissions competing for top student paper and the accompanying Eason Prize will be judged together with other ComSHER faculty submissions. Authors must identify their submission

as an Eason Prize entry on the cover page of their submission. Authors who do not identify this on the cover page will not be considered for the Eason Prize competition.

Only full-length research paper submissions (not extended abstract submissions) will be considered for Top Paper or Eason Prize awards. All submissions should follow APA format and the AEJMC Uniform Paper Call Guidelines (no more than 25-pages of double-spaced text with 12-point, Times New Roman font, and 1-inch margins, plus references, tables, figures, and appendices). All Extended Abstract submissions must include the words "Extended Abstract" in the title of the submission.

All accepted papers must be presented by a listed author. Authors unable to present must find another person to present their work and let the Research Chairs know in advance. Failure to appear to present can result in author(s) losing eligibility to submit to the Division for one year. Direct questions to Research Co-Chairs Ashley Anderson (ashley.a.anderson@colostate.edu) or Kang Namkoong (namkoong@umd.edu).

The Division encourages all submitters to carefully check their submissions for self-identifying information of any kind, including meta-data embedded in submitted documents. Submissions with any residual identifying information will be rejected without review. Before uploading your submission (including PDF and Word documents), exercise extra diligence to remove all author identification from the document, including any file properties or obvious reference to self-citations. AEJMC's uniform call for papers includes helpful solutions to self-citation. Also, please see <https://www.siam.org/publications/journals/related/journal-policies/detail/protecting-referee-personal-information> for tips on keeping your submission anonymous.

Communication Technology Division

The Communication Technology Division (CTEC) invites submission of original, non-published research papers to be considered for presentation at the AEJMC Conference, August 7 to 10, 2023 in Washington, D.C. where **the central focus is communication technology and its impact on media processes and content as well as audiences, institutions, and society**. Research in the division is focused on examining a broad range of trends as they relate to technology. Topics involving emerging technologies, including new media technologies and social media, are strongly encouraged. The division welcomes theoretical and conceptual papers as well as a diversity of methodological approaches from both faculty and students. **Papers are to be submitted in English only no later than 11:59 P.M. (Central Daylight Time) on Friday, April 1, 2023.**

Paper Formatting (Full Paper): Please limit papers to no more than 30 pages (double-spaced) in length, including title page, abstract, tables, figures, references, and notes. Papers should follow the Publication Manual of the American Psychological Association (7th edition), have 1-inch margins, and use 12-point Times New Roman, Times, or Arial font. Abstracts must be no more than 75 words. The title should be on the first page, with page numbers and running heads on each page of text. All papers must be submitted in Word or PDF format through the AEJMC's ALL ACADEMIC website to the Communication Technology Division. **PDF format is strongly encouraged.**

Hard copy or electronic versions of papers submitted individually to the Research Chair will NOT be accepted. Please be sure to submit a clean paper without author-identifying information, such as name, university affiliation, job title, etc. Inclusion of identifying information will result in automatic disqualification of the paper. Before uploading your paper, exercise extra diligence to remove all

author identification from the document, including any file properties or obvious reference to self-citations. Please refer to AEJMC's uniform paper call on how to upload clean papers. It is the responsibility of the paper author(s) to verify that no identifying information is contained in the paper text or in the document file properties.

Paper Formatting (Extended Abstract): AEJMC will accept extended abstracts for works-in-progress, as well as full papers for the 2023 conference. For authors considering the extended abstract option, data collection and analysis must be at least 75% complete in order to meaningfully report tentative findings and conclusions. Authors should clearly report in the Method and Findings sections how far along the data collection and analysis phases are, respectively, and explain what steps remain and the anticipated value/contribution of these steps, so that reviewers can assess the foundations on which conclusions are based. The extended abstracts must be at least 750 words long but no more than 1,500 words.

Extended abstracts must include a reference list and a 75-word summary of the abstract. (The reference list and summary are not included in the word count). When submitting in this format, authors must include the words "Extended Abstract" at the start of their paper title (e.g., "Extended Abstract: [Your paper title]"). Authors should clearly indicate the same on the title page of their submission. Submissions that are not appropriately labeled may be rejected. Please be sure to submit a clean paper without author-identifying information, such as name, university affiliation, job title, etc. Authors whose extended abstracts are selected for presentation at the conference must still submit their full paper before the conference.

Student Paper Competition: Graduate and undergraduate students are invited to submit original research regarding any topic related to communication technology. For a paper to be considered for a student paper award, all of the coauthors must be students. Faculty may not co-author any paper submitted to this category. (Papers co-authored by faculty and students should be submitted to the Faculty Paper Competition.) Papers submitted for the Student Paper Competition must clearly contain "Student Paper Competition" on the title page to be considered for the Student Paper Competition. These papers are eligible for entry in the Jung-Sook Lee Student Paper competition. The Jung-Sook Lee Award recognizes the best student paper, which makes "a substantial contribution to the substance or method on a topic related to communication technology." The award honors the division's 1997-1998 research chair, Jung-Sook Lee of the University of Southwestern Louisiana, who died soon after the 1998 conference. Authors of the top three student papers will receive a cash award. In addition, the author of the best student paper will have his or her conference registration fee paid by the division. For a paper to be considered for this award, **ALL** authors must be undergraduate or graduate students enrolled during the 2022-2023 academic year.

Faculty Paper Competition: The division is pleased to award a Top Faculty Research Paper Award for excellence in faculty research to recognize the best faculty paper submitted to the division. For a paper to be considered for this award at least one of the authors must be faculty.

Winners of both awards will receive their prize and be recognized at the conference. Submissions that do not win recognition in the Jung-Sook Lee Award or the Top Faculty Research Award are still considered for acceptance along with open competition submissions.

All paper submitters are strongly encouraged to submit at least

a day or two before the deadline so they can check to make sure that the uploaded document does not contain any self-identifying information in its properties, as can happen sometimes, mysteriously, via the "save as pdf" function or as the result of some other technical issue. An early submission will allow all submitters to fully check submissions as they are entered into the system so that a re-submission prior to the deadline is possible. Submitters should download a PDF version of their paper submissions from the All Academic system and verify that self-identifying information has successfully been removed from the document's properties.

Before submitting your research, please make certain that all author-identifying information has been removed and that all instructions have been followed per the AEJMC uniform call. **Any submissions that have not removed identifying information, whether intentionally or accidentally, will be rejected.**

If you have any questions or require more information about the submission process, please contact Brian G. Smith, CTEC research chair, at brian.g.smith@byu.edu.

Communication Theory and Methodology Division

The Communication Theory and Methodology (CTAM) Division invites submissions of original research papers that advance the literature in mass communication theory, research methods, or both. CTAM welcomes both conceptual and empirical papers and is open to all methodological approaches, quantitative and qualitative.

Paper Competitions: CTAM sponsors four paper competitions. Papers can be submitted to the *open-call competition* or the *student paper competition*. Any paper can also be considered for the *theory paper competition* or the *method paper competition*. Winners of all awards will be recognized in the conference program and at the 2023 CTAM members' virtual meeting.

CTAM strongly encourages submissions by students. Winners of the Chaffee-McLeod Award for Top Student Paper will be awarded \$250; two additional top student papers will also receive cash prizes. To be considered for the student paper competition, all authors must be students, and the author(s) must type "Student Paper Competition" in the upper right-hand corner of the first page of text.

CTAM also recognizes the top theoretical and methodological submissions to the division each year. Papers submitted to the theory and method paper competitions will also be considered for awards in the open-call and student competitions, as applicable. A theory paper may extend what is known about the current workings of a theory by including a data analysis section, or strictly extend the current theory literature without including data. A method paper may discuss, develop, or apply measurement, statistical approaches, sampling techniques, or field methods that demonstrate research method innovation. To be considered for the theory paper competition, the author(s) must type "Theory Paper Competition" in the upper right-hand corner of the first page of text; to be considered for the method paper competition, the author(s) must type "Method Paper Competition" in the upper right-hand corner on the first page of text.

Requirements: Please limit papers to no more than 25 pages (double-spaced) in length, excluding tables and references. Papers should follow APA style 7th edition, have 1-inch margins, and use 12-point Times New Roman font. Please limit papers to a total of 35 pages (including text, tables, and references). Papers over the page limit will be automatically disqualified from the competition. Refer to the AEJMC general paper call for this year's online submission guidelines.

It is critical that there is no self-identifying information of any

kind, such as in the body of the paper or in the document properties. Please also pay attention to the issue of self-citation. The Uniform Call for Papers lists possible solutions for self-citation.

We strongly encourage you to submit your paper at least a day or two prior to the deadline so that we can check to make sure there is no self-identifying information in the properties of the files you submit. An early submission will allow any and all individuals to fully check submissions so that a resubmission prior to the deadline is possible.

Co-authors cannot be added after a paper has been reviewed. At least one author of an accepted faculty paper must attend the conference to present the paper. If student authors cannot be present, they must arrange for the paper to be presented by someone else. Failure to be present or provide a presenter for any paper will result in a one-year ban on the review of papers for all of the authors involved. Authors of accepted papers are required to forward papers to discussants prior to the conference.

For any questions related to paper submission or competition, please contact Lindsey Sherrill, CTAM's research chair, at lserrill2@una.edu.

Cultural and Critical Studies Division

The Cultural and Critical Studies Division invites submissions of original research that contribute to the study of journalism and mass communication from a cultural and/or critical perspective and that cuts across theoretical and methodological boundaries, with particular interest in qualitative approaches. We also encourage scholarship that challenges conventional media research and practice and includes intersectional perspectives that highlight global voices, traditionally marginalized or underrepresented groups, and decolonizing experiences. **Ideas central to the Division include (but are not limited to) notions of power, ideology and hegemony, resistance, agency, and social justice. Scholarship that represents aims of the Division can be found on our website, <https://bit.ly/3srSRwg>.**

For AEJMC 2023, we are also interested in submissions dedicated to research that explores how issues of free expression and press freedom shape and are shaped by various power structures. These papers would be part of a session co-organized by the Cultural and Critical Studies and the Law & Policy Divisions. If you would like your paper to be considered for this special topic session, please include "JOINT SESSION" in the running head. Papers not accepted for the joint session will still be considered under the main call of the division they submitted to.

We encourage collaboration across divisions and interest groups to develop interdisciplinarity and inclusivity. In addition to full papers, we welcome extended abstracts, the guidelines for which are outlined in the AEJMC Extended Abstract Call. Please note, extended abstract submissions are not eligible for Division awards. You can read more about our guidelines and approaches to extended abstracts at <https://bit.ly/3EjXgXF>.

The Division's conference paper awards include the James W. Carey Memorial Award for Top Student Paper and the James Murphy Award for Top Faculty Paper, as well as a Top Poster Award. Only one paper per author is accepted for review, and submissions must not be under consideration elsewhere for presentation or publication.

Paper length should not exceed 25-pages of double-spaced text with 12-point, Calibri font, and 1-inch margins, excluding tables, figures and references. Abstracts must be no more than 75 words. Please be sure that submissions contain no identifying information, such as name, university affiliation, job title, etc., either in

the text of the paper or in the document properties. Guidelines for removing personalized or identifiable information in a document can be found in the AEJMC General Call. Please note document properties as Word and PDF can also contain personal and identifiable information. Any identifying information found on the submission results in an immediate disqualification of the paper. Papers that do not meet the AEJMC Uniform Call for Papers requirements will not be accepted.

The paper must be uploaded to the server no later than 11:59 P.M. (Central Daylight Time) Friday, April 1, 2023.

Questions or comments concerning submissions should be directed to research co-chairs Ted Gutsche (robertgutsche@gmail.com) and Sara Shaban (sshaban@spu.edu).

History Division

The History Division invites submissions of original research papers and extended abstracts on all aspects of media history for the AEJMC 2023 conference in Washington, DC. All research methodologies are welcome.

PAPER CALL: Papers will be evaluated on originality and importance of topic; literature review; clarity of research purpose; focus; use of evidence to support the paper's purpose and conclusions; and the degree to which the paper contributes to the field of journalism and mass communication history. The Division presents awards for the top three faculty papers and top three student papers.

Papers should be no more than 25 double-spaced pages, not including notes, references, or appendices. Papers should have 1-inch margins and use 12-point Times New Roman font. Authors should also submit a 75-word abstract. Multiple submissions to the Division are not allowed, and only one paper per author will be accepted for presentation in the History Division's research sessions. Authors of accepted papers are required to forward papers to discussants and moderators prior to the conference.

Papers must be electronically submitted using the services of All-Academic; you will find the link at www.aejmc.org. The deadline is 11:59 P.M. (Central Daylight Time), April 1, 2023. Please make sure there is no identifying information in the body of the paper or in the electronic file properties. Papers uploaded with author's identifying information will not be considered for review and will automatically be disqualified from the competition. Please refer to the AEJMC general paper call for this year's online submission guidelines, especially for how to submit a clean paper for blind review, including advice on self-citation.

Student Papers: Undergraduate and graduate students enrolled during the 2022-23 academic year may enter the Warren Price Student Paper Competition. The Price Award recognizes the History Division's best student paper and is named for Warren Price who was the Division's first chair. Student papers should include a separate cover sheet that indicates their student status but omits the author's name or other identifying information. Students who submit top papers are eligible for small travel grants from the Edwin Emery Fund. Only full-time students not receiving departmental travel funds are eligible for these grants.

Diversity in Journalism History Research Award: In addition to rewarding the top faculty and student papers, the outstanding submission on diversity in journalism history research will receive a \$100 prize.

Notes: Completely fill out the online submission form with author(s) name, affiliation, mailing address, and email address.

Papers are accepted for peer review on the understanding that they are not already under review for other conferences and that

they have been submitted to only ONE AEJMC group for evaluation. Papers accepted for the AEJMC Conference should not have been presented to other conferences or published in scholarly or trade journals prior to presentation at the conference.

Papers submitted with both faculty and student authors will be considered faculty papers and are not eligible for student competitions.

At least one author of an accepted faculty paper must attend the conference to present the paper. If student authors cannot be present, they must make arrangements for the paper to be presented.

If a paper is accepted, and the faculty author does not present the paper at the conference, and if a student author does not make arrangements for his/her paper to be presented by another, then that paper's acceptance status is revoked. It may not be included on a vita.

Authors will be advised whether their paper has been accepted by May 20 and may access a copy of reviewers' comments from the online server. Contact the division's research chair if you are not notified or have questions about paper acceptance.

EXTENDED ABSTRACT CALL: AEJMC will accept extended abstracts for the 2023 conference. The extended abstract format is suitable for authors who are sufficiently along in the research process to address the content elements described below, but have not had sufficient time to prepare a full paper. Extended abstracts must be uploaded as a single file to the AEJMC All-Academic site by the existing conference submission deadline of 11:59 p.m. CDT April 1, 2023. Authors whose extended abstracts are selected for presentation at the conference must still submit their full paper, with all identifying author information, to the All-Academic site by 11:59 p.m. CDT, July 15, 2023. Extended abstracts may be submitted to only one division or interest group.

To preserve the value of fully developed research papers, extended abstracts will not be eligible for history division or AEJMC conference-wide awards.

Notes: The length of extended abstracts must be at least 750 words but no more than 1,500 words. A 75-word (max.) summary of the abstract should precede the abstract itself. References and summary are excluded from the word count.

Extended abstracts should contain all of the same content sections/elements that would normally be used in a paper submissions. The main difference, however, is the length of the submission format.

For authors considering the extended abstract option, data collection and analysis must be at least 75% complete in order to meaningfully report tentative findings and conclusions. Authors should clearly report how far along the data collection and analysis phases are, respectively, and explain what steps remain and the anticipated value/contribution of these steps, so that reviewers can assess the foundations on which conclusion are based. Extended abstracts will be reviewed and scored using evaluation criteria specific to the abstracts and not the same as those used for full papers.

When submitting in this format, authors must select the "Extended Abstract" option in All-Academic AND include the words "Extended Abstract" at the start of their paper title (e.g., "Extended Abstract: [Your paper title]"). Authors should clearly indicate the same on the title page of their submission. Submissions that are not appropriately labeled may be rejected.

When creating the file for upload, please insert the 75-word summary of the abstract at the beginning of the extended abstract, so that this is what readers and reviewers see first.

Please ensure all identifying author information has been removed for extended abstract submissions and that title pages do not contain author information. Please reference the AEJMC Uniform Paper Call for information about how to ensure this information is removed in order to ensure a blind review.

Other than the extended abstract format (including length differences) and ineligibility for award competitions, all other AEJMC Uniform Paper Guidelines apply. Please review these at <https://convention2.allacademic.com/one/aejmc/aejmc23/>

Important Paper and Abstract Submissions Information: Upload papers and extended abstracts for the AEJMC 2023 conference beginning January 15, 2023. Submitters should follow instructions on the front page of the submission site to create your account and complete the information required.

Before submitting your paper/abstract, please make certain that all author-identifying information has been removed and that all instructions have been followed per the AEJMC uniform call. Take every precaution to ensure that your self-citations do not in any way reveal your identity.

History Division Research Paper and Extended Abstract Contact: For more information, contact History Division Research Chair Brian Creech at brian.creech@temple.edu.

International Communication Division

The **International Communication Division (ICD)** welcomes original, unpublished research papers (not under review at academic journals) that *focus clearly on international aspects of journalism and mass communication*. Any theoretical and methodological approaches appropriate for communication research are welcome.

Papers are submitted either to the Robert L. Stevenson open paper competition (faculty and student-faculty authored paper) or the James W. Markham student competition (strictly student-authored papers). All submissions must be uploaded through the AEJMC conference website ALL ACADEMIC **no later than 11:59 P.M. (Central Daylight Time) Saturday, April 1, 2023**. Be sure to note whether you are submitting to the Stevenson open paper competition or the James W. Markham student paper competition. Authors will be notified about acceptance in early May. In addition to guidelines stated in AEJMC's uniform call, please note ICD's specific instructions below.

Guidelines:

- Papers should be submitted in Word or PDF format.
- Do not include any identifying information about the authors anywhere in the paper or in the document properties.
- Papers with identifying information of any kind will be automatically disqualified.
- Papers must include an abstract of no more than 75 words. The title should be clearly presented on the first page of text and on running heads throughout the document.
- ICD accepts papers of up to 25 pages, exclusive of references, tables, and figures. Tables and figures should be placed at the end of the document, as reviewers will be instructed to stop reading text after page 25. Font should be 12-point, text should be double-spaced, and margins should be no less than one inch on all sides.
- Authors should use a style appropriate for the discipline, such as APA, Chicago, or Harvard.
- We will review up to two papers per author, whether the author appears as a single author or as one of several authors.
- Any faculty member who submits a paper for consideration to ICD will be expected to serve as a reviewer.

ICD accepts extended abstracts for works-in-progress for the 2023 conference.

The extended abstract format is suitable for authors who are sufficiently far along in the research process to address the content elements described below. The extended abstracts must be at least 750 words long but no more than 1,500 words. Extended abstracts must include a reference list and a 75-word summary of the abstract (the reference list and summary are not included in the word count). Extended abstracts must include the words "Extended Abstract" before their paper title ("Extended Abstract: [Your paper title]"). Extended abstracts may be submitted to only one division or interest group. Extended abstracts must be uploaded as a single file to the AEJMC All-Academic site by the existing conference deadline of 11:59 p.m. CDT April 1, 2023.

To preserve the value of fully developed research papers, long a hallmark of the AEJMC

conference, extended abstracts will not be eligible for division, interest group, or conference-wide awards.

Content and Formatting Guidelines:

Extended abstracts should contain all the same content sections/elements that would normally be used in the division or interest group's paper submissions, including the study's purpose, literature review, research questions and/or hypotheses, method, findings and discussion/conclusion. The main difference is the length of this submission format.

For authors considering the extended abstract option, data collection and analysis must be in progress beyond the proposal stage to meaningfully report tentative findings and conclusions. Authors should clearly report in the Method and Findings sections how far along the data collection and analysis phases are, respectively, and explain what steps remain and the anticipated value/contribution of these steps, so that reviewers can assess the foundations on which conclusions are based. Extended abstracts will be reviewed and scored using evaluation criteria specific to the extended abstracts, which are distinct from those used for full papers.

When submitting in this format, authors must select the "Extended Abstract" option in All Academic AND include the words "Extended Abstract" at the start of their paper title (e.g., "Extended Abstract: [Your paper title]"). The words "Extended Abstract" should be included ahead of the title and subheads in all title mentions. Submissions that are not appropriately labeled may be rejected.

Consult AEJMC's Uniform Paper Call for specific instructions on removing identifying information from the document that you submit. Please contact the ICD Research Chair, Vanessa Higgins Joyce, before submitting the paper, if you have any questions. Authors are responsible for following the guidelines for paper submissions outlined in the AEJMC uniform paper call and the additional ICD guidelines listed here. Papers that do not meet guidelines will not be reviewed. Submissions will be blind reviewed and selections are based on merit. ICD takes plagiarism concerns seriously and retains the right to screen your submission for unoriginal material.

AWARDS

ICD awards cash prizes for the top three faculty papers (**Stevenson Competition**) and the top three student papers (**Markham Competition**). Top papers are decided by reviewer ranking.

First authors of winning student papers also will receive free conference registration.

All award winners will be notified in advance, except for the Best Poster Award, and all awards will be presented at the ICD business meeting during the conference. In addition to the Stevenson top faculty and Markham top student paper awards, ICD also offers the following prizes:

African Journalism Studies Best Paper Award for Journalism

Research: The ICD's "Best Paper Award for Journalism Research" is sponsored annually by African Journalism Studies for the most outstanding paper selected from the submissions to the AEJMC International Communication Division's Stevenson Open Paper Competition. Established in 2003, the award is aimed at promoting research in global journalism, that enhances scholarly understanding of such issues as international news flow, news theory, media ethics, media education, gender, and race, as well as specific topics, such as the media and AIDS. In line with ICD's international character, the award is also aimed at promoting research that addresses North-South and South-South journalism issues. The winner will receive a certificate and book coupon.

Latin American Communication Research and Researchers

Award: ICD will grant up to three awards to deserving top papers. This award honors the top three research papers submitted to any division within AEJMC by scholars from Latin America, of Latin American heritage, or scholars who are researching Latin America. "Latin America(n)" is broadly construed to include Spanish- and Portuguese-speaking Latin America, as well as the Caribbean (including Puerto Rico) and the Latin American diaspora. Topics addressed may involve matters of Inter-American and Iberian-American communications, including but not limited to news media flows, media theory, media technology or new media, communication for development/social change, media law and ethics, media education, ethnic or gender media and integration, media economics, media and the environment, political communication, critical media studies, popular culture, immigration, Latinx communities, diasporic communities, and cultural studies, among others. All research methodologies are welcome. LARA winners from previous years will not be allowed to compete for this award for two consecutive years.

Best Poster Award: The ICD's Best Poster Award aims at: First, appreciating and recognizing the efforts of those ICD scholars who do great work with great poster presentations. Second, improving the quality of posters produced by scholars presenting their work in scholar-to-scholar sessions programmed by ICD. Third, encouraging higher participation in scholar-to-scholar sessions of ICD. For 2023, there will be one Best Poster Award for faculty and student-faculty posters, and one Best Poster Award for student (strictly student) posters. Winners will get certificates and honorary amounts of money in recognition of their work on high-quality posters.

All the competitions in ICD are open to AEJMC members and non-members, students, and faculty. If you have questions about this call or the 2023 ICD research competitions at any time, please contact: Robert L. Stevenson Open Paper Competition Chair, Vanessa Higgins Joyce or James W. Markham Student Competition Chair, Ruth Moon.

Law and Policy Division

The Law and Policy Division invites the submission of original, non-published research papers related to communication law and policy. Authors need not be members of AEJMC or the Law and Policy Division to submit. A panel of reviewers will blind-referee all submissions, and selection will be based on the quality of the work and contribution it makes to the field.

The Division welcomes research that uses methods or theories appropriate to the paper's research questions and relevant to communication law and policy. For example, the Division welcomes papers employing traditional legal analysis of doctrines and statutes pertaining to communication law and policy, as well as re-

search that studies communication law and policy from a sociological perspective by employing quantitative or qualitative methods. The Division also welcomes research that uses traditional perspectives on freedom of speech and press, as well as research that uses critical perspectives involving (but not limited to) matters of race, class, gender, sexual orientation, and gender identity or expression.

Law and Policy Division papers must not exceed 50 double-spaced pages and must have one-inch margins and 12-point font, including cover page, appendices, tables, footnotes/endnotes, and end-of-paper reference list, if applicable. (Exceptions: Footnotes/endnotes, reference list, and any tables or appendices may be single-spaced; footnotes/endnotes can be in 10-point font.) Papers will be rejected without review if they do not comply with these requirements.

Authors should use the citation style that is most appropriate for the research. For example, Bluebook citation style is preferred for papers employing traditional methods of legal analysis, while authors submitting sociologically oriented papers may use any recognized, uniform style for referencing authorities, including APA, Chicago, or MLA.

There is no limit to the number of submissions authors may make to the Law & Policy Division. However, any paper previously published or presented at a conference, except the AEJMC Southeast Colloquium or the AEJMC Midwinter Conference, is ineligible for submission.

Special Call: For AEJMC 2023 we are also interested in submissions dedicated to research that explore how issues of free expression and press freedom shape and are shaped by various power structures. These papers would be part of a session co-organized by the Cultural & Critical Studies and the Law and Policy Divisions. If you would like your paper to be considered for this special topic session, please include "JOINT SESSION" in the running head. There is no special submission link for these papers.

Top Paper Awards: The Division will present awards to the top three papers written by faculty members who have previously submitted research to the division. The winners will receive plaques.

Top Debut Faculty Paper: The Law and Policy Division will award a Top Debut Faculty Paper. This will be the top paper by a faculty member who has never had a paper accepted by the division as a faculty member (faculty who previously submitted to the Division as students are eligible for the Debut Faculty award). The faculty member will receive a prize of \$150 and free conference registration. For papers with multiple authors to be eligible (e.g., multiple faculty or faculty/student), none of the authors may have previously had a paper accepted by the division at the national conference. In addition, only the faculty author presenting the paper will be eligible for free conference registration. Authors should submit their paper to the "Top Debut Faculty Paper Competition" option on the submission website.

Top Student Paper: Student-only submissions will be considered for the Whitney and Shirley Mundt Award and its \$100 prize, given to the top student paper. Student authors should submit their paper to the Open Call, but they must clearly indicate their student status on the cover page. Coauthored papers are eligible as long as all authors are students. The Law and Policy Division will also cover conference registration fees for the top three student paper presenters. In the case of coauthored student papers, only the student author presenting the paper will be eligible for free conference registration.

Extended Abstracts: The Law and Policy Division will again accept extended abstracts, along with all AEJMC divisions. They are suitable for authors who are sufficiently along in the research pro-

cess to address the content elements described below. Extended abstracts follow the same submission process and deadlines as full papers, and authors whose extended abstracts are selected for presentation must submit their full paper by 11:59 p.m. CDT on July 15, 2023. Extended abstracts are not eligible for division awards.

Content and Formatting Guidelines for Extended Abstracts:

Extended abstracts must be at least 750 words but no more than 1,500 words. A 75-word (maximum) summary of the extended abstract must be included. References and summary are excluded from the word count.

Extended abstracts should contain all of the same content sections/elements that would normally be used in the division's paper submissions, such as the study's purpose, literature review, research questions, etc. The main difference is the length of the submission.

For authors considering the extended abstract option, data collection and analysis must be in progress beyond the proposal stage to report meaningfully tentative findings and conclusions. Authors should clearly report in the extended abstract how far along the data collection and analysis phases are, explaining what steps remain and the anticipated value/contribution of these steps, so that reviewers can assess the foundations on which any conclusions are based. Extended abstracts will be reviewed and scored using criteria specific to the abstracts and distinct from those used for full papers.

When submitting, authors must select the "Extended Abstract" option in All Academic and include the words "Extended Abstract" at the start of the paper title (e.g., "Extended Abstract: Your paper title"). Authors must clearly indicate the same on the title page of their submission. Submissions that are not appropriately labeled may be rejected.

When creating the file for upload, please insert the 75-word summary of the abstract at the beginning of the extended abstract, so that this is what readers and reviewers see first.

As with full paper submissions, please ensure all identifying author information has been removed for extended abstract submissions and that title pages do not contain author information. Extended abstracts that are uploaded with identifying author information will not be considered for review.

Please email Research Chair Brett Johnson with any questions you have about submitting: brett-g-johnson@uiowa.edu

Magazine Media Division

The Magazine Media Division invites submissions of original research papers and theoretical essays that advance magazine scholarship or scholarly knowledge about magazine media broadly defined, including narrative nonfiction, special interest publications, and content management. Research may be relevant to the journalistic, historical, cultural, political, artistic or economic aspects of magazines, or to their production, distribution, promotion and/or reception. All methodologies and theoretical frameworks are welcome. Authors need not be AEJMC or Magazine Media division members, but if their paper(s) is/are accepted, they must attend the conference to present their research.

Scope. Submissions may address a range of aspects of magazine media – whether online (including social networking sites), on mobile platforms, or print – including editorial and advertising content, production, audience reception, and readership communities. Submissions that examine lifestyle and literary journalism outside the confines of mainstream magazine media – such as blogs and longform publications – are strongly encouraged. Submissions that explore the definition of magazine media itself are of

particular interest. Magazine Media division papers presented at past conferences have included content or discourse analyses of magazine editorial or advertising content (including native advertising/content marketing); ethnographies of magazine newsrooms, with an emphasis on their digital transitions; historical analyses of individual magazines or magazine coverage of controversial topics over time; analyses of magazines as political forces; rhetorical analyses of literary journalism; and experiments investigating the effects of page layout and other magazine content features.

Awards. Prizes of \$100 will be awarded at the conference in Washington, DC for (a) best faculty paper and (b) best student paper. Papers will be evaluated on methodology, theoretical framework, importance and originality of topic; literature review; significance of findings and how they support the paper's conclusions; focus, writing, and organization; and overall contribution to magazine research. Authors will be automatically entered in the award competitions based on their rank and paper topic. Extended abstracts do not qualify for paper awards.

Submissions. Preferred paper length is up to 8,000 words, not including notes, references, and tables. If submitting an extended abstract, please follow the guidelines in the AEJMC Uniform Paper Call. There is no limit on the number of papers authors may submit for presentation in the Magazine Media division research sessions. Multiple submissions of the same paper(s) to other divisions will be disqualified. Please use the basic submission requirements in the AEJMC Uniform Paper Call, and be sure to remove all identifying information. Papers that contain authors' identifying information will not be considered for review, and will be automatically disqualified. Early submissions are encouraged. The deadline for all submissions is April 1, 2023. Please direct any questions to the division's research chair, Ivy Ashe, Florida Atlantic University (iashe@fau.edu).

Mass Communication and Society Division

The Mass Communication and Society Division seeks research paper submissions from both faculty and students for the 2023 AEJMC annual conference in Washington, D.C. Submissions to the Mass Communication and Society Division can be on any topic that advances mass communication theory, especially at the societal or macrosocial level. The Division accepts research submissions from a variety of theoretical and methodological perspectives as well as research that draws heavily from other disciplines, including sociology, psychology, anthropology, law and history. Papers should be submitted to only one competitive paper category in the division: 1) Open Competition, 2) Student Competition, or 3) Moeller Student Paper Competition (<https://aejmc.us/mcs/awards/research-awards/top-paper-awards/>). Papers must not be under consideration elsewhere for presentation or publication.

Submission Procedures: Individual paper submissions should not exceed **30-double-spaced** pages (count and format include main text, notes, references, tables, and figures **but not the title and abstract pages**). All material for full papers and extended abstracts must be double-spaced. **Double-space** all material, including title page, abstract, text, quotations, acknowledgments, references, appendices, tables, figure captions and footnotes. **All papers must be submitted in Word or PDF format** through the All-Academic link (<https://convention2.allacademic.com/one/aejmc/aejmc23/>) to the Division. Papers should follow the Publication Manual of the American Psychological Association (7th ed.), have 1-inch margins, and use 12-point Times New Roman, Times or Arial font. Abstracts must be no more than 75 words. The title should be on the first page with page numbers and running heads on each page of text. Hard copy or electronic version of papers submitted individually to the Re-

search Committee will **NOT** be accepted.

Author-identifying information MUST NOT appear anywhere in the attached paper file. Identifying information includes (1) listing of authors' names and/or affiliations, (2) references to authors' previous work in a way that reveals authorship of the current work, (3) keeping author-identifying information within the text, in headers, or within the embedded electronic file properties and (4) links to authors' websites, email addresses, or social media accounts. The **inclusion of identifying information will result in automatic disqualification of the paper** (please review the instructions on the AEJMC website for stripping identifying information from the electronic file properties). Authors are solely responsible for checking the final uploaded version of their paper for any and all author-identifying information.

All paper submitters are strongly encouraged to submit at least a day or two before the deadline so they can check to make sure that the uploaded document does not contain any self-identifying information in its properties, as can happen sometimes via "save as pdf" or as a result of some other technical issues. **An early submission will allow all submitters to fully check submissions as they are entered into the system so that a resubmission prior to the deadline is possible.** Submitters should download a PDF version of their paper submissions from the All-Academic system and verify that self-identifying information has been successfully removed from the document's properties. This will need to be done **EACH** time you submit your paper to All-Academic.

Authorship: When submitting co-authored papers, permission to submit the paper should be sought and obtained from all authors on the paper prior to submission. Paper authorship cannot be added, deleted, or changed after review of the paper.

Two-paper limit: In any one year, an individual can appear as author or co-author on a maximum of two (2) submitted research papers and/or extended abstracts to the Division. If one individual appears as author or co-author on more than two (2) submitted research papers and/or extended abstracts, the Division Research Committee has the right to disqualify the third or more submitted paper/abstract.

Author Information: Completely fill out the online submission form with author(s) name, affiliation, mailing address, telephone number and email address. All authors and co-authors, their institutional affiliations and contact information must be included **WHEN REGISTERING** on the paper submission system. If there are three co-authors, for example, information about all three must be included in the registration.

Moeller Student Paper Competition: Students who submit a paper written for a class during the previous year are eligible for the Mass Communication and Society Moeller Student Paper Competition. Moeller Competition papers must be nominated by the faculty member who taught the class. To nominate a student paper, faculty should send an email verifying that the paper was completed for a class to the Division Research Committee. Papers submitted for the Moeller Competition must clearly note the competition on the title page. Please remember that the Moeller Competition is separate from our Student Paper Competition. The paper must be correctly submitted to the Moeller Competition category online. At least one author of the winning paper is asked to attend the Mass Communication and Society Awards Luncheon to receive the award.

Open Competition: All other papers submitted to the Division will be reviewed in the Open Competition. At least one author of the winning paper is asked to attend the Mass Communication and Society Awards Luncheon to receive the award.

Top Paper Recognition: To acknowledge research excellence, the Division provides cash awards and waives one AEJMC conference registration fee for the top three winners in each research paper competition.

Presentation obligation: At least one author of an accepted faculty paper must attend the conference to present the paper. If student authors cannot be present, they must make arrangements for the paper to be presented by someone else. Failure to be present or provide a presenter for any paper will result in author(s) losing eligibility to submit to the division for one year. The author(s) will also not be eligible to count that presentation on his/her vita. Authors of accepted papers are required to forward papers to discussants and moderators prior to the conference. At least one author of each top paper is asked to attend the Mass Communication and Society Awards Luncheon to receive their awards.

Authors are responsible for following the guidelines for paper submissions outlined in the AEJMC Uniform Paper Call and additional Division's guidelines listed in this call. For questions, please contact Chair: Terri Hernandez (thernandez@comm.msstate.edu) and Ruoxu Wang (rwang4@memphis.edu).

Student Competition: Graduate and undergraduate students are invited to submit original research regarding any topic related to mass communication and society. For a paper to be considered for a student paper award, **all** of the coauthors must be students. The paper must be correctly submitted to the Student Competition category online. Papers submitted for the Student Competition must clearly note the competition on the title page. A faculty member as co-author automatically moves the paper to the Open Competition. At least one author of the winning paper is asked to attend the Mass Communication and Society Awards Luncheon to receive the award.

Media Ethics Division

The Media Ethics Division (MED) seeks a diverse range of original faculty and graduate student paper submissions related to ethics. Media ethics pertain to all manner of communication types and practices, and we welcome submissions that address both traditional and emergent issues in our changing media landscape.

Ethics-related topics and concerns include but *are not limited to*: issues of justice, power, and representation; the ethics of storytelling; the ethics of diversity, inclusion, and belonging; ethical decision-making; moral development; truth-telling and deception; privacy; credibility; accountability; the relationship between journalism and democracy; organizational norms and routines; global ethics; the impact of technology on ethics; the relationship between economic structures and ethical practices, audience considerations; applied ethics in journalism, advertising, public relations, digital technology (such as social media and platforms), or entertainment; and the relationships between law, history, and ethics.

The division seeks a scholarship on all media contexts such as journalism, advertising, public relations, entertainment, digital media, social media, etc.; from a range of theoretical/paradigmatic approaches including philosophical, critical, sociological, psychological, pedagogical, etc.; and using a range of methods including qualitative, quantitative, critical-cultural, and mixed methods. Essays grounded in ethics theory are also welcome.

All papers should adhere to APA style (7th ed.); must be no more than 25 pages (excluding title page, references, figures, illustrations, and/or appendices); should be double-spaced, use 1-inch margins and 12-point Times New Roman or equivalent font; should be saved as Word or PDF; and must otherwise conform to the rules outlined in the AEJMC Uniform Call for Papers. MED also accepts

extended abstracts (750-1,500 words) following the Extended Abstract Call Guidelines for AEJMC. Papers or extended abstracts that do not conform to these rules or contain information identifying the author(s) will be disqualified. Before submitting, we highly suggest an internet search for how to remove metadata from your chosen document type (Word or PDF) based on your use of either Windows or macOS. Implementing those steps ensures identifying factors are not present (as can especially happen when someone "saves as pdf" even after clearing metadata from a Word doc). AEJMC's Uniform Call for Papers includes helpful solutions to self-citations. The Division strongly advises authors to submit papers with sufficient time to review them in the All Academic system and ensure identifying information is removed.

Submitting a paper or extended abstract to the Media Ethics Division implies that the author (or one of the co-authors) intends to present the paper in person at the conference.

Burnett Award Graduate Student Papers: The Media Ethics Division is committed to supporting and promoting promising graduate students with an interest in research related to any of the many aspects of media ethics. All graduate students who submit full papers to the Media Ethics Division are automatically entered into the Carol Burnett Award competition. The Media Ethics Division teams with the University of Hawaii, the Carol Burnett Fund for Responsible Journalism and Kappa Tau Alpha to sponsor this honor for graduate students. Students are invited to submit papers on any topic related to media ethics, from any theoretical approach, using any method or combination of methods.

The winning paper and runner-up will receive the Carol Burnett/University of Hawaii/AEJMC Prize, which includes a monetary award. Authors for the top two submissions also receive a small travel assistance stipend. The winner will be invited to accept his or her prize at the Kappa Tau Alpha Awards Luncheon at the AEJMC conference. Graduate student papers must include graduate student status on the title page. The Burnett Award is reserved for graduate students, and papers with faculty co-authors are ineligible.

Division Awards

Professional Relevance Award: The Division gives special recognition to a paper that is judged to be the most relevant to working professionals in a media industry. The recipient will be selected from the open and special calls.

Top Faculty Paper: The Division gives special recognition to the faculty paper judged to be the best paper submitted among faculty authors.

The Penn State Davis Ethics Award: Scholars who have successfully defended ethics-related dissertations in the 2022 calendar year are encouraged to apply for the new Penn State Davis Ethics Award. The award provides a \$1,000 honorarium, travel support to present their scholarship in a session of the Media Ethics Division at the 2023 AEJMC annual conference, and a fully supported guest-lecture visit to Penn State's Bellisario College of Communications. The Don W. Davis Professor in Ethics at Penn State, Patrick Lee Plaisance, will administer all aspects of the award competition and selection process.

Applications should include a cover letter stating applicant's ethics-related focus and contact information, statement of defense date, full dissertation (either in pdf format or a web link), and dissertation adviser contact information. All applications are due April 1, 2023, and should be sent to plp22@psu.edu. The award will be presented at the Media Ethics Division's Business Meeting during the 2023 AEJMC conference. This award is intended to recognize new scholarship in the fields of media and communication ethics

and is sponsored by the Davis Program in Ethical Leadership at Penn State.

Arrangements for a guest-lecture visit to Penn State will be made for fall 2023 based on recipient availability.

Questions regarding submission should be directed to Media Ethics Division Research Chair, Joe Jones, West Virginia University, joseph.jones@mail.wvu.edu

Media Management, Economics, and Entrepreneurship Division

The Media Management, Economics, and Entrepreneurship Division (MMEE) invites original research paper submissions to be considered for presentation at the 2023 AEJMC conference in Washington, D.C., August 7-10, 2023. Researchers interested in any aspect of media management, media economics, or entrepreneurship are encouraged to submit papers. The division welcomes the use of diverse theoretical and methodological approaches to relevant topics. Papers presented at the AEJMC Midwinter Conference and then revised are also welcome for submission.

The division gives awards to recognize the top three submissions from faculty, and the top three submissions from graduate students (faculty members cannot be included on student competition papers; faculty and student papers compete on an equal footing). **Top graduate papers also receive monetary awards to help offset the cost of attending the conference, and there are no division membership fees for graduate students.**

Paper Topics: As a division, we are proud to encourage submissions from a diverse array of topic areas. Some examples of relevant topic areas include, but are not limited to: analysis of economic or managerial questions affecting media firms and media industries; strategic management and business models of media firms; crowdfunding and other innovative funding methods for media products and industries; strategic leadership challenges faced by media companies; media ownership; management and economic issues from the public-interest perspective (e.g., effects on reporting or content); historical discussions of relevant developments in the field; policy issues from a legal, regulatory, or economic perspective; technology and its effects on management or economics; political economy; international and cross-cultural studies; the sociology and culture of media organizations; media audience analysis; teaching media management and economics; and other related topics.

In 2014 the division changed its name to expand its focus on entrepreneurship. Accordingly, we also encourage and welcome submissions within the following topic areas: opportunities and challenges for media startups; intrapreneurship and innovation within legacy media companies; the role of higher education in the context of media entrepreneurship; and other media entrepreneurship related topics.

Guidelines for all Submissions: All papers must be submitted electronically at the AEJMC website, by accessing the All-Academic submission portal. A link to All-Academic is available via the AEJMC website. Papers must be uploaded to the All-Academic server no later than **11:59 P.M. (Central Daylight Time) Saturday, April 1, 2023. All submissions must follow the guidelines from the AEJMC uniform call for all paper competitions.**

Paper Formatting: All papers should use **12-point Times New Roman, Times, or Arial font, and have 1-inch margins.** Authors should use the citation style appropriate for the discipline, including APA, Chicago, MLA, and Harvard. Format should be Word, WordPerfect, or a PDF. **PDF format is strongly encouraged.** Paper

submissions should be a maximum of 25-pages, excluding references and tables. Be sure to upload a paper abstract of no more than 75-words.

Author Identification: Please remove all potentially identifying author information from submissions. Failure to do so will automatically disqualify the paper from consideration. Examples of information to be removed include citations of the author's previous work, individually or with co-authors; related reference list information; and file properties. Take every precaution to ensure that your self-citations **DO NOT** in any way reveal your identity. Instructions for how to remove identifying information from files can be found on the AEJMC website.

Extended Abstract Submission: The MMEE Division also accepts Extended Abstracts (750-1,500 words) following the Extended Abstract Call Guidelines for AEJMC. For authors considering the extended abstract option, data collection and analysis must be at least 75% complete in order to meaningfully report tentative findings and conclusions. Authors should clearly report in the Method and Findings sections how far along the data collection and analysis phases are, respectively, and explain what steps remain and the anticipated value/contribution of these steps, so that reviewers can assess the foundations on which conclusions are based. The extended abstracts must be at least 750 words long but no more than 1,500 words.

Extended abstracts must include a reference list and a 75-word summary of the abstract. (The reference list and summary are not included in the word count). When submitting in this format, authors must include the words "Extended Abstract" at the start of their paper title (e.g., "Extended Abstract: [Your paper title]"). Authors should clearly indicate the same on the title page of their submission. Submissions that are not appropriately labeled may be rejected. Please be sure to submit a clean paper without author-identifying information, such as name, university affiliation, job title, etc. Authors whose extended abstracts are selected for presentation at the conference must still submit their full paper before the conference.

For questions about submissions, contact the Research Co-Chairs, Xiaoqun Zhang (xiaoqun.Zhang@unt.edu) or Mohammad Yousuf (myousuf@unm.edu).

Minorities and Communication Division

The Minorities and Communication (MAC) Division invites submissions of original research on any topic related to minorities in communication. Submissions that reflect a diversity of scholarly methods of inquiry are invited. Papers should include appropriate literature reviews, methodology, findings, and discussion. Only one paper per primary (first) author will be sent out for review.

The term "minorities" has been defined to include Latin/as/os/x, African Americans, Asian Americans, and Native Americans. Therefore, papers examining how these groups present images, news and/or other information about themselves, as well as those examining how issues and/or perspectives related to race/ethnicity and diversity are featured in mainstream or other specialized media, would generally fall into this division's area of interest. This division also welcomes papers on teaching or pedagogy related to minorities in communication.

Full Paper Formatting: Papers should not be more than 25 pages long (double-spaced), excluding references, tables, figures, and other graphics. If it is not historical research, APA reference style is preferred. If these rules are not followed, papers are subject to disqualification. Also, follow the instructions in the 2023 AEJMC paper competition uniform call.

Extended Abstract Paper Formatting: In light of the disruptions to the lives of faculty members and students as a result of the spread of COVID-19, we are still accepting extended abstracts for the 2023 conference. Extended abstracts should contain all of the same content sections and elements that would normally be used in the full paper, including the study's purpose, literature review, research questions and/or hypotheses, method, findings and discussion/conclusion. The main difference, however, is the length of this submission format. For authors considering the extended abstract option, data collection and analysis must be at least 75% complete in order to meaningfully report tentative findings and conclusions. Authors should clearly report in the Method and Findings sections how far along the data-collection and data-analysis phases are, respectively, and explain what steps remain and the anticipated value/contribution of these steps, so that reviewers can assess the foundations on which conclusions are based.

The extended abstracts must be at least 750 words long but no more than 1,500 words, excluding any references, tables, or figures. Extended abstracts must include a reference list. The reference list and summary are not included in the word count. When submitting in this format, authors must include the words "Extended Abstract" at the start of their paper title (e.g., "Extended Abstract: [Your paper title]"). Authors should clearly indicate the same on the title page of their submission. Submissions that are not appropriately labeled may be rejected. Authors whose extended abstracts are selected for presentation at the conference must still submit their full paper before the conference.

Awards will be presented to the authors of the top three faculty research papers. A certificate along with a check will be awarded to each of the three faculty research winners during the Minorities and Communication Members' Meeting.

Student Papers: Graduate and undergraduate students are encouraged to submit original research regarding minorities and communication. Student papers are ones in which ALL of the co-authors are currently enrolled students. The paper must be correctly submitted to the MAC Student Competition category online. Student papers should include a separate cover sheet that indicates their student status (i.e. Ph.D. Student, M.A./M.S. Student) but omits the author's name.

All students whose papers are accepted for presentation in the Minorities and Communication Division will be considered for the Dr. Carolyn Stroman New Graduate Membership Award. Eligible recipients must be current members of AEJMC who do not have a MAC membership.

The MAC Division recognizes the top three student papers. A certificate along with a check will be awarded to each of the three winners. Both authors of winning student research papers and the Stroman New Graduate Membership Awards are recognized at the Minorities and Communication Members' Meeting.

Self-Identifying Information: Author-identifying information must NOT appear anywhere in the attached paper file. Authors are reminded to check their manuscript for self-identifying information of any kind, including following a particular style-guide's directions on matters of self-citation. Identifying information includes the authors' names and affiliations, previous work by the authors referenced in a way that makes possible to identify who the author(s) is/are, and links to authors' websites, emails or social media accounts. Check the Properties tab of your file and eliminate any author-identifying information before submitting the paper (including if you saved a Word file as a PDF file; check the Properties of the PDF file as well and eliminate author-identifying information in the PDF's Properties tab, too). Authors are strongly encouraged to sub-

mit their papers at least a day or two before the deadline. All papers submitted will be pre-screened for identifying information and proper submission in the student/faculty category. In the event of the inclusion of self-identifying information PRIOR to the deadline, authors will be allowed to resubmit their manuscript prior to the deadline. After the deadline, as per the uniform call, papers with identifying information will be automatically disqualified.

Questions? Please contact research chair Vanessa Bravo, associate professor at Elon University, at vbravo@elon.edu.

Newspaper and Online News Division

The Newspaper and Online News Division invites you to submit original, unpublished research papers for presentation at the AEJMC Annual Conference, Aug. 7-10, 2023, in Washington, DC. Submissions will be due April 1. The division welcomes all theoretical orientations and methodologies that investigate newspaper and online news, broadly defined, including (but not limited to):

- Audience analytics and perceptions
- Business models for news, entrepreneurship, economic issues for news organizations
- Digital divides, news deserts, news access issues
- Diversity, equity, and inclusion issues in news coverage
- Digital, mobile, streaming, social media news
- Disinformation/misinformation in news, news literacy
- Global journalism, foreign news
- News bias, news credibility, partisan perceptions of news
- News coverage
- Participatory journalism, citizen journalism
- User-generated content on news sites and social media

The top three papers will be recognized with a monetary award (1st, \$100; 2nd, \$75; 3rd, \$50). Students may apply for the **MacDougall Student Paper Award**. Papers with faculty co-authors are not eligible for this award. Authors should include "**MacDougall Student Paper Award**" on the top of the submission. MacDougall winners will be awarded \$200 and a certificate of recognition during the conference.

Interested authors must submit their papers using the All Academic System. All Academic requires that authors re-register each year. The division does not accept hard copies. All papers must follow the AEJMC uniform paper competition guidelines. Papers should be no more than **30 pages**, double spaced, **including** tables, references, and appendices. NOND highly recommends submitting papers as a PDF file. Papers must use APA or Chicago style. All submissions undergo a blind review process by a panel of independent reviewers. Papers are accepted on the understanding that they have not been previously published or presented elsewhere and that they have been submitted only to the Newspaper & Online News Division for evaluation. Authors must remove all author identifying information from their papers or they will be automatically disqualified and not reviewed. Per the AEJMC Standing Committee of Research guidelines, self-citation is appropriate so long as the narrative surrounding the self-citation does not reveal authorship. Authors will be required to submit an abstract of their paper that is no more than 150 words and includes 3-5 keywords and the kind of methodology used. Papers are due by 11:59 p.m. (CDT), Saturday, April 1, 2023.

If you have questions, please contact: Gina M. Masullo, The University of Texas at Austin, (gina.masullo@austin.utexas.edu) or Changsup Park, SUNY at Albany, (cpark2@albany.edu).

Political Communication Division

The Political Communication Division invites submission of

original, non-published research papers and extended abstracts to be considered for presentation at the 2023 AEJMC Conference. We welcome both faculty and graduate student papers of all methodological approaches and levels of analysis. Graduate students are particularly encouraged to apply.

All submissions will undergo a blind review process by a panel of independent reviewers. Papers are accepted on the understanding that they have not been previously published or presented elsewhere. Paper authors must remove identifying information from paper. Failure to do so will lead to an automatic disqualification.

Research papers and extended abstracts should be directly related to political communication, broadly defined. Possible relevant topics include processes and effects of mediated political communication in relation to political news, political journalism, public policy, political elites, and candidates; political entertainment; citizen engagement and mobilization; public opinion; campaigns and political advertising; advocacy; and political economy of the media. Papers that address non-U.S. politics are welcome. All submitted research papers should be clearly grounded in theory and methodology.

The Political Communication Division has established the McCombs Shaw Award for Best Student Paper in Political Communication, which is awarded annually. This prize includes \$250 and free graduate student conference registration for up to 3 student authors. Awards are also given for runner-up student papers. Student papers *may not* include any faculty authors/co-authors and must be clearly labeled as “Graduate Student Paper” on the cover page. In addition, the Division annually honors the top three papers in political communication; both faculty and graduate student paper submissions are eligible for this honor. The first-place paper in political communication will receive a \$100 prize. The top poster in political communication will also receive a \$100 prize.

All entries should follow the guidelines of the AEJMC uniform paper competition (Note: Only full length papers will be considered for top paper awards). Paper length is limited to 25-pages, not including references, tables, figures, or appendices. Extended abstracts should be between 750 and 1,500 words (exclusive of reference list), include a 75-word abstract and references, contain sections normally seen in full paper submissions (e.g., study purpose, literature review, research questions, method, results), and must be clearly labelled “**Extended Abstract**”. All submissions should be standard type (12-point font, double-spaced, Times New Roman font, 1-inch margins), and must be prepared in accordance with the 7th edition of the Publication Manual of the American Psychological Association (APA).

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact research co-chairs Oluseyi Adegbola (oadegbol@depaul.edu) or Jo Lukito (jlukito@utexas.edu).

Public Relations Division

The Public Relations Division invites submissions of original papers that advance the theory, practice, and pedagogy of public relations. The division encourages submissions that reflect a variety of theoretical and practical perspectives relevant to public relations, as well as a diversity of methodological approaches. Submitters should carefully review the specific instructions for the Public Relations Division as well as the general requirements contained in the AEJMC Uniform Paper Call.

Submission Categories: A paper may be submitted in one of the three PRD research categories: (1) open research, (2) student research, or (3) scholarship of teaching.

Top Research, Teaching, and Student Papers: Monetary

awards are given for the top three papers in each of the categories. Thanks to a generous gift from Dennis Wilcox, Professor Emeritus, San José State University, top papers in open research and scholarship of teaching categories will be awarded: \$750 for the top paper, \$500 for the second-place paper, and \$250 for the third-place paper. Top papers will receive priority processing by the *Journal of Public Relations Research*, and top teaching papers will receive priority processing by the *Journal of Public Relations Education*, provided they are submitted by December 31, 2023. Thanks to the generous support of The Plank Center for Leadership in Public Relations at the University of Alabama, the first author of each of the top three student research papers will receive \$300, \$200, and \$100, respectively. In cases where a category does not have enough qualified submissions, the Public Relations Division reserves the right to not award all three places in that category.

Special Research Award Categories: *The Doug Newsom Award* created in honor of Doug Newsom, Professor Emeritus, Texas Christian University, will again be given in 2023. The award in the amount of \$250 is for the top paper that fits the theme of global ethics and diversity. Papers must follow the rules of the AEJMC Public Relations Division call for papers. A special Doug Newsom Award Committee will evaluate the papers on the basis of the award’s theme, and recommend a nominee to the research committee for recognition.

The Museum of Public Relations is also awarding \$250 for the best paper about the role of public relations in history. The historical figures do not need to self-identify as public relations people and can include social and political movement leaders. People who are not typically cited in public relations textbooks are of particular interest. Papers must follow the rules of the AEJMC Public Relations Division call for papers. A special Public Relations History Award Committee will evaluate the papers on the basis of the award’s theme, and recommend a nominee to the research committee for recognition.

The Top Paper on Race & Public Relations will also be awarded in 2023. The winning paper will earn \$500. Paper submissions must follow the general rules of the AEJMC Public Relations Division call for papers. The PRD Diversity, Equity & Inclusion (DEI) committee will evaluate the papers on the basis of the award’s theme, and recommend a nominee to the research committee for recognition.

Those who wish to compete for the Doug Newsom, Public Relations History, or Race & Public Relations awards should submit papers using the appropriate award submission link in the All-Academic system. Authors must indicate the submission categories (i.e., teaching, open, or student) and then clearly label their papers for consideration of the award for which they wish to compete. Papers not selected for the awards will still be considered for acceptance in the categories (i.e., scholarship of teaching, open research, or student research) to which they are submitted.

In cases where an award competition does not have enough qualified submissions, the Public Relations Division reserves the right to not award any paper in that competition.

Submission Limitations: No more than **TWO** papers or abstracts may be submitted by any one author or co-author across the three PRD categories (i.e., teaching, open, or student) including awards submissions. If it is found that one person is author and/or co-author of more than two submissions across the three PRD categories, **all submissions beyond the second submission will be excluded from consideration.**

A Paper May NOT be Under Review: (1) simultaneously with more than one of the three PRD categories, (2) simultaneously with more than one division within AEJMC, (3) simultaneously with the

AEJMC conference and any other conference, or (4) simultaneously with the AEJMC conference and any potential publication, including refereed journals, book chapters, etc.

Authorship: When submitting co-authored papers, permission to submit the paper should be sought and obtained from all authors on the paper. Paper authorship cannot be added, deleted, or changed after submission of the paper.

Author Identification: All authors and co-authors, their institutional affiliations and contact information must be included WHEN REGISTERING on the online system. If there are three co-authors, for example, information about all three must be included in the registration. Student papers must be authored or co-authored by students ONLY (no faculty co-authors), and all student papers must have the word "STUDENT" on the title page and in the running head. Author-identifying information MUST NOT appear anywhere in the attached paper file. Identifying information includes (1) listing of authors' names and/or affiliations, (2) references to authors' previous work in a way that reveals authorship of the current work, and (3) links to authors' websites, e-mail addresses, or social media accounts. **Inclusion of identifying information will result in automatic disqualification of the paper. It is the responsibility of the paper author(s) to verify that no identifying information is contained in the paper text or in the document file properties.** Please follow the directions for removing your identifying information from the properties. This will need to be done EACH time you submit your paper to All-Academic. All paper submitters are strongly encouraged to submit at least a day or two before the deadline so they can check to make sure that the uploaded document does not contain any self-identifying information in its properties, as can happen sometimes, mysteriously, via "save as pdf" or as a result of some other technical issues. An early submission will allow all submitters to fully check submissions as they are entered into the system so that a resubmission prior to the deadline is possible. Submitters should download a PDF version of their paper submissions from the All Academic system and verify that self-identifying information has successfully been removed from the document's properties.

Paper Content: Any recognized research method and citation style may be used. Papers should include appropriate literature reviews, methodology, findings and discussion. Papers should test, refine or expand public relations theory or practice; critically review issues relevant to public relations theory and research; or explore methods of effective public relations practice. Scholarship of teaching papers should test, refine or expand principles or practices associated with public relations pedagogy using rigorous research methods.

Paper Formatting (General): All papers (full papers and extended abstracts) must contain continuous page numbers; if multiple files are merged for the paper, then the author must ensure that the page numbers are continuous and do not repeat or start over from page 1. Because of past conversion issues with the All-Academic system that resulted in papers being longer than the established requirement, **all papers must be submitted in PDF format.** For those using the newest version of Microsoft Word, you can save your paper as a PDF file using the "Save As" function. For those not using this version, you may use a free web service, such as www.freepdfconvert.com. **Failure to follow these formatting guidelines will result in an automatic disqualification of the paper.**

Paper Formatting (Full Paper): A full paper cannot exceed 25 pages EXCLUDING abstract, references, figures and tables. Tables and figures will be counted toward the page limit unless placed at the end of the paper. Papers must be typed in a 12-point font, using

Times New Roman, Times, or Arial font. Paper text must be formatted with double line spacing with 1-inch margins on all sides of the document; references may be single spaced, with a double space between citation entries.

Paper Formatting (Extended Abstract): The Public Relations Division will accept extended abstracts for the 2023 conference. Extended abstracts should contain all of the same content sections and elements that would normally be used in the full paper, including the study's purpose, literature review, research questions and/or hypotheses, method, findings and discussion/conclusion. The main difference, however, is the length of this submission format. For authors considering the extended abstract option, data collection and analysis must be at least 75% complete in order to meaningfully report tentative findings and conclusions. Authors should clearly report in the Method and Findings sections how far along the data collection and analysis phases are, respectively, and explain what steps remain and the anticipated value/contribution of these steps, so that reviewers can assess the foundations on which conclusions are based. Extended abstracts will be reviewed and scored using evaluation criteria specific to the abstracts and not the same as those used for full papers.

The extended abstracts must be at least 750 words long but no more than 1,500 words. Extended abstracts must include a reference list and a 75-word summary of the abstract and must be submitted in PDF format. The reference list and summary are not included in the word count. When submitting in this format, authors must select the "Extended Abstract" option in All Academic AND include the words "Extended Abstract" at the start of their paper title (e.g., "Extended Abstract: [Your paper title]"). Authors should clearly indicate the same on the title page of their submission. Submissions that are not appropriately labeled may be rejected. To preserve the value of fully developed research papers, extended abstracts will not be eligible for division awards.

Presentation Requirement: At least one author of an accepted faculty paper must attend the conference to present the paper. If student authors cannot be present, they must make arrangements for the paper to be presented by someone else. Failure to be present or provide a presenter for any paper will result in a one-year ban on the review of papers for all of the authors involved. Authors of accepted papers are required to forward papers to discussants and moderators prior to the conference. Presentations at AEJMC conference may be disseminated via social media; presenters may opt out of social media dissemination by requesting so at the time of presentation.

Questions? Please contact the research committee chair, Christopher McCollough, Jacksonville State University, cmccolough@jsu.edu.

Scholastic Journalism Division

The Scholastic Journalism Division of AEJMC is accepting submissions of research papers and extended abstracts for the 2023 annual conference in Washington, D.C.

Papers can be on any topic related to journalism and mass communication education at all levels: the student press; media, news, and civic literacy; youth journalism; media/news/information literacy efforts or effects; assessment of learning; or related fields. We welcome submissions from all theoretical and methodological perspectives and especially encourage work that incorporates aspects of diversity, equity and/or inclusion.

Both faculty and student papers accepted will be eligible for top paper awards to be presented at the AEJMC Conference in August. Faculty papers with a student co-author or student papers with a faculty co-author will be judged in the faculty competition.

The best papers should be theoretically based, methodologically rigorous, and clearly relate to an issue in journalism and/or civics education. Monetary awards are given to the top faculty and top student paper each year.

Special Call: Student-Led Research

The Scholastic Journalism Division is also accepting submissions of research papers and extended abstracts for a special competition limited to research led by graduate or undergraduate students. Research topics can vary, but need to involve learning associated with media in some way. Possibilities include a focus on learning how to make media, including all work focused on student media content creation, production, promotion, sales, etc.; learning how to understand media, including work exploring media/news/information literacy; learning from media, including work involving the intentional or unintentional educational effects of media; or the impacts from external pressures on learning, including prior review/restraint, censorship, audience feedback, funding cuts, government regulation, information access and other aspects. Research papers or extended abstracts can use any theoretical lens or research method. Submissions in this special call must have first authors who are undergraduate or graduate students, but can involve faculty or other professional researchers as co-authors.

Expectations for all paper submissions: Papers should be 12-point serif type, double-spaced, with 1-inch margins. Papers should not exceed 25 pages in length, not counting title page, abstract, references, tables, and appendices.

Expectations for all extended abstract submissions: Extended abstracts should be in 12-point serif type, double-spaced with 1-inch margins. Extended abstracts should cover all essential areas of a complete paper, depending on the type of final paper intended. Theory-focused and legal-focused extended abstracts should include any models, frameworks or implications being proposed. Empirical-focused extended abstracts should include basic information on the method used, data sources and initial results.

Style should follow either the Publication Manual of the American Psychological Association or the Chicago Manual of Style. Legal research papers may use the Bluebook citation system. Include an abstract of no more than 75 words. At least one author will be expected to attend the AEJMC Conference in August 2023 to present the paper.

Questions about the Scholastic Journalism Division calls, including potential fit for topics, can be directed to the research chair: Sarah Cavanah at Southeast Missouri State University, scavanah@semo.edu.

Visual Communication Division

The Visual Communication Division of AEJMC invites faculty, students, and independent scholars to submit competitive papers and extended abstracts devoted to theoretically based studies of visual communications for presentation at the association's annual conference. We define "visual" broadly, and welcome submissions on photography, film, television, web design, graphic design, illustration, digital imaging, and other visual phenomena.

The division encourages submission of papers/extended abstracts that address a broad spectrum of methodology and application, qualitative and quantitative, about all types of visual media: advertising, broadcast, digital imaging, film, graphic design, multimedia and web design, photojournalism, propaganda images, visual images and culture, visual literacy, social media and visual aspects of political campaigns. Research in media history, law, policy, media effects, processes, uses, and ethics regarding visuals is also welcome.

All submissions will be anonymously refereed by a panel of scholars. Student submissions will be assessed along with faculty

submissions. A \$100 award will be given to the top faculty paper and the top student paper. The top three faculty papers will be recognized in the AEJMC annual conference program.

Papers are accepted for peer review on the understanding that they are not already under review for other conventions and that they have been submitted to only one AEJMC group for evaluation. Papers accepted for the AEJMC Conference should not have been presented to another convention or published in scholarly or trade journals prior to presentation at the conference. Authors may submit no more than two papers or extended abstracts, or a combination of both, to the Visual Communication Division.

Extended Abstracts

Extended abstracts of research in progress at the time of the submission deadline should contain all of the sections that would normally be in a completed research paper. The main difference is the submission format. For authors considering an extended abstract, research must be complete enough to meaningfully report tentative findings and conclusions. Authors should indicate in the abstract how far along the research and analysis have progressed at the time of submission. Extended abstracts will be reviewed and scored using the same evaluation rubrics as currently used for full papers, but will be evaluated as to how well each of the criteria are achieved given the relative length of an extended abstract. Include the words "Extended Abstract" at the start of the paper title on the title page of the submission. Submissions that are not appropriately labeled may be rejected. Extended abstracts are not eligible for consideration for paper awards. Authors of extended abstracts accepted for presentation at the conference must submit the completed paper, with all identifying author information, to the All-Academic site by 11:59 p.m. CDT, July 15, 2023.

SUBMISSION GUIDELINES: All submissions must be uploaded through AEJMC's ALL ACADEMIC website. Make sure to upload through the link marked Visual Communication Division. **All papers must be uploaded to the server no later than 11:59 p.m. (Central Daylight Time) Saturday, April 1, 2023, and should comply with all of the AEJMC submission guidelines.**

All papers must be typed and double-spaced with one-inch margins. The page limit is 30 pages, inclusive of all references, notes, tables, illustrations, and appendices. Manuscripts must conform to one of four listed reference styles: APA, Chicago, MLA, or Turabian. An abstract of no more than 75 words is required.

Extended abstracts must be 750 to 1,500 words. A 75-word summary of the abstract should precede the abstract itself. References and summary are excluded from the word count. Submissions must include the words "Extended Abstract" at the start of the title (e.g., "Extended Abstract: paper title"). Submissions without this designation may be rejected.

All submissions: Please be sure to strip any identifying information from your submission documents according to AEJMC guidelines. This includes any self-citation in your submission. See your reference style guide for more clarification.

The division highly recommends early submission will allow any participants to fully check submissions as they are entered into the system so that a resubmission prior to the deadline is possible.

All authors will be advised whether their paper has been accepted and will receive a copy of the reviewers' comments by May 20, 2023. At least one author of an accepted paper must attend the conference to present the paper. Failure to attend the conference will disqualify an author from the next year's competition.

For more information about submissions to the Visual Communication Division, please contact division research chair, Dr. Matt Haight, University of Memphis, mjhaught@memphis.edu.

Interest Groups

Community Journalism Interest Group

The Community Journalism Interest Group invites scholarly submissions from faculty members and graduate students for paper and poster sessions to be presented at the 2023 AEJMC national conference in Washington, D.C. The papers should advance theory, concepts, and/or practice in community/local journalism and can use a variety of methods and approaches.

The deadline for paper submissions is April 1, 2023.

Scope: The concept of community has expanded to more than just a group defined by geographic proximity. Communities are also defined by the strength of social relationships and shared backgrounds among individuals and the interests that unite them. COMJIG encourages submissions that address this diversity and the role(s) journalism plays in reporting about as well as informing these communities. COMIG also encourages submissions that provide solutions-oriented insights into trends and issues facing community journalism outlets and practitioners. Finally, we encourage research that looks at community journalism (or even community) within a broad ideology, including on digital platforms.

Research topics may include, but are not restricted to:

- How and if news organizations—print and digital— fulfill a community’s critical information needs
- How news organizations build audiences within their communities with or without use of technologies such as social media
- How community newspapers thrive or struggle to survive in present times and changes, if any, in community journalistic practices in the digital age
- How journalism entrepreneurs juggle advertising and other revenue sources with community news reporting
- The effects of the closure of community news outlets—print and online – on communities, specifically those in news deserts

The effects of ownership and consolidation shifts on community journalism practices and content

- How news organizations create and engage with communities through innovative practices
- Conceptual ideas that push the meaning and our understanding of community in new directions
- Conceptual ideas that explore the meaning and interpretation of “local news” in a global era
- Efforts to make community journalism more accessible and inclusive, particularly among underserved or marginalized groups

Awards: The Group awards top papers in the faculty and student categories. The authors of these papers will be invited to publish their manuscripts to COMJIG’s official, peer-reviewed publication, *Community Journalism*. Others are also encouraged to send their work to the journal for consideration.

Submission guidelines:

Format: Paper submissions should include a 100- to 150-word abstract and should not exceed 8,000 words, including references, tables and notes. All papers should conform to APA style, 7th edition. Papers must be typed in 12-point font using Times New Roman, and paper text must be double-spaced with 1-inch margins around each page. The pages should be continuously numbered. References must be provided. Tables or figures can be included within or at the end of the paper. An author can submit more than one paper to COMJIG but no more than two manuscripts. All submissions will be subjected to a anonymous peer review.

Author identification: All authors and coauthors should include their information when registering on the online system. It is the author’s responsibility to ensure that no identifying information is included anywhere in the paper or the properties section of the pdf document or it will be disqualified from the conference. Thus, authors are encouraged to submit early to fully check their submissions in the system for self-identifying information and any other technical glitches so they can resubmit their manuscripts, if necessary, before the system closes on deadline. Please follow the directions provided in “submitting a clean paper” section under the uniform paper call on the AEJMC website.

Student submissions: Graduate students are encouraged to submit papers to the group. Student authors should clearly mark their papers by including the phrase “STUDENT SUBMISSION” on the title page to be considered for the student paper competition. These papers should be authored by students only and not include any faculty co-authors.

Uploading manuscripts: The papers should be submitted to COMJIG via a link on the AEJMC website. Please see the AEJMC’s paper competition uniform call for more information.

Presentation requirement: For the manuscript to be considered for presentation in the panel or poster session at the conference, at least one of the authors must attend in person to talk about the research. An exception may be made for papers with ONLY student authors; if the graduate students are unable to attend, then they must arrange for someone else to present the research on their behalf.

Questions? Please contact COMJIG Research Committee Chair Joy Jenkins, University of Tennessee, Knoxville (jjenkins@utk.edu).

Entertainment Studies Interest Group

The Entertainment Studies Interest Group invites faculty and graduate students to electronically submit papers for the 2023 AEJMC conference. Papers that deal with any aspect of mediated entertainment, including (but not limited to) narrative film, experimental cinema, fictional books, fictional television, game shows, new media, music, podcasts, popular magazines, sports, and cultural and entertainment journalism are welcome. All methods (qualitative, quantitative, historical, critical) of inquiry are encouraged. Papers may not exceed 25-pages, excluding tables, figures, and references. All entries should follow the AEJMC uniform paper competition. All submissions will undergo a blind review process by a panel of independent readers.

Although all papers compete on an equal footing, the top-ranked student paper(s) sent to ESIG will receive special recognition and first author(s) will be awarded free conference registration. Students who wish to be eligible for this award must indicate when submitting electronically that the paper was written exclusively by one or more students. Only students are eligible for this prize; papers with any faculty co-author(s) are not eligible. The top-ranked faculty paper will be recognized. Extended abstracts aren’t eligible to be considered for awards. Authors are not required to be a member of ESIG to submit a paper. The same author(s) can submit more than one paper to ESIG. The paper must be uploaded to the server no later than 11:59 P.M. (Central Daylight Time) Saturday, April 1, 2023.

Specific Guidelines: Papers may not exceed 25-pages, excluding tables, figures, and references. Papers should be written in Times New Roman using 12-point font, with 1-inch margins on all sides. APA or MLA are acceptable styles for references. At least one author of an accepted faculty paper must attend the conference to present the paper. Questions regarding submissions should be di-

rected to the research chair, Waleed Rashidi, Cal State Fullerton, via e-mail: wrashidi@fullerton.edu.

Internship and Careers Interest Group

The Internship and Careers Interest Group (ICIG) of AEJMC is accepting submissions of research papers and extended abstracts from both faculty and students for the 2023 conference. Papers and extended abstracts may be on any topic related to the journalism, advertising, public relations, and mass communication professions and internships. **Papers and extended abstracts can be uploaded on ALL ACADEMIC starting January 15, 2023, and the deadline for submission is April 1, 2023 at 11:50 p.m. CDT.**

ICIG Top Papers Session will be provided opportunities for scholars to present and discuss their research.

- We are particularly interested in papers/research discussing:
- Diversity, equity, and inclusion of best practices in careers and internships
- Principles, concepts, and approaches for incorporating non-traditional students in the internship experience.
- Resources/research available for internship coordinators to maximize student participation in program experiences including assessment/pedagogy practices for onboarding/evaluating internship candidates and experiences
- Resources/research available addressing skill sets needed for student success in internships and careers within communication, journalism, advertising, and PR fields
- Of particular interest are industry evaluation/measurement techniques
- Interdisciplinary/collaborative research and best practice opportunities encouraging contributions from those involved in the journalism and mass communications fields
- Investigation into the evolution of careers in communication, journalism, advertising, and PR
- Of particular interest are topics addressing transition effectiveness for those seeking to contribute to academia and practice areas within their professional lives

For graduate students ONLY, the interest group is offering free conference registration to authors (maximum 3) of the top student paper.

Other considerations: Entries should follow the AEJMC Uniform Paper Call Guidelines. Please limit papers to no more than 30 pages, including references, tables, figures, and appendices, of APA style, double-spaced text with 12-point Times New Roman font, and 1-inch margins. This year extended abstracts are also being accepted. Researchers need to follow AEJMC's Extended Abstract Guidelines found in the AEJMC Uniform Paper Call.

Submissions with any residual identifying information will be rejected. Before uploading your paper, exercise extra diligence to remove all author identification from the document, including any file properties or obvious reference to self-citations. See <https://its.temple.edu/removing-hidden-information-microsoft-office-files> for tips on keeping your submission anonymous.

Questions should be directed to research chair, Dr. John Chapin, Research Chair, Penn State University Beaver at jrc11@psu.edu.

Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender & Queer Interest Group

The LGBTQ Interest Group invites students, faculty, and other scholars to submit their research for the 2023 conference in Washington, D.C., Aug. 7-10.

We welcome submissions of original, non-published, English language only research papers on any topic related to sexual orientation, gender identity, or gender presentation, and journalism/media/communication. Papers employing all methods of inquiry and theoretical frameworks are welcomed.

We especially welcome scholarship dealing with – but not limited to – topics such as:

- Representations of genders and sexualities not covered explicitly in the “LGBTQ” acronym, such as asexual, intersex, pansexual, polyamorous, non-monogamous, questioning, two-spirit, non-binary, and gender-non-conforming people
- Media depictions of transgender issues and individuals
- Online queer advocacy and activism networks
- Representations of bisexuality, sexual fluidity, and other sexual orientations that do not fit cleanly within the boundaries of “straight” or “gay”
- Given Washington, D.C.’s important role in LGBTQ+ rights and freedoms, communication scholarship with ties to the 2023 AEJMC Conference site is particularly encouraged. For example, such research could address:
- LGBTQ+ advocacy organization messaging related to the Respect for Marriage Act and/or Equality Act
- Media coverage of the implications of recent U.S. Supreme Court rulings on LGBTQ+ rights and freedoms
- The effects of presidential and congressional candidate rhetoric on public opinion toward LGBTQ+ rights

Papers must be uploaded to the server no later than 11:59 p.m. (Central Daylight Time), Saturday, April 1, 2023. Paper submissions must comply with the AEJMC uniform paper call. Papers may be no longer than 25 pages (excluding tables, figures, and references) and may not contain any identifying information. Please refer to <http://aejmc.org/events/montreal2014/submit-clean-paper/> for detailed information on submitting papers for anonymous review. Each title page must identify whether the paper is a student or faculty/other scholar submission.

Awards: The LGBTQ Interest Group is pleased to provide monetary awards and recognition for top student and faculty papers:

Top Student Paper Award The LGBTQ Interest Group encourages graduate student submissions in its Top Student Paper competition. To be considered for the competition, papers must be wholly the work of students. The author(s) of the top student paper award will receive \$100 and a certificate in recognition of their work.

Top Faculty Paper Award The top faculty paper submitted to the LGBTQ Interest Group will also receive an award. Papers written solely by faculty, or papers co-authored by faculty members and students, are eligible. The author(s) of the top faculty paper award will receive \$100 and a certificate in recognition of their work.

Before submitting your paper, please make certain that all author-identifying information has been removed and that all instructions have been followed per the AEJMC uniform paper call. **Take every precaution to ensure that your self-citations do not in any way reveal your identity.**

There are three solutions to issues of self-citation:

Remove language that signals the author of the published work is also the author of the current paper. For example, the author may simply use “in a previous study, researchers...” rather than “in a previously published pilot study, I...” or “As I argued in...” This is not always possible since authors may desire to build on their previous works, but wording can be rewritten to avoid obvious self-citation in many cases.

Eliminating the citations altogether is another option and helps

remove the awkward inclusion of “Author, Date” self-citations in the reference list. This may risk having the authors seem unknowledgeable by failing to refer to work that reviewers may commonly know. But often there is no problem by using another citation in its place.

Ultimately, combining the two strategies described above may be the best solution. Authors are encouraged to remove personal pronouns and other descriptive language surrounding their work that might reveal a redacted name or pinpoint the source of an existing work. It may be best to cite your work sparingly without any signal of authorship.

By carefully considering the wording surrounding citing your own work, it is often possible to eliminate issues that have caused conference paper disqualifications in the past simply by revising wording around the self-cited works. Simply put, cite your own work as if it were being cited by another author—not yourself.

Questions? Questions regarding submissions should be emailed to LGBTQ Interest Group Research Chair Rhonda Gibson at gibsonr@email.unc.edu

Participatory Journalism Interest Group

The Participatory Journalism Interest Group, PJIG, invites research paper submissions for the 2023 AEJMC Conference, August 7-10 in Washington, DC. **The deadline for paper submissions is April 1, 2023, at 11:59 p.m. (CDT).**

Scope: We are interested in research exploring participatory journalism and engaged journalism. Broadly, we are interested in journalism that involves members of the public in the selection, production, dissemination, and sharing of news and information. Participatory journalism may involve professional journalism outlets or community newsrooms, but what distinguishes it is the role “citizens,” “users,” “audiences,” or “participants” play in creating content or otherwise collaborating in the journalistic process. This may include a range of practices—for example, social media commenting and sharing, crowdsourcing story ideas or reporting, public newsrooms, citizen journalism initiatives, and more. While digital tools and platforms have made many of these practices more common, we are interested in both online and offline approaches to participation in journalism and efforts to build more reciprocal relationships between journalism and the public.

- Research topics may include, but are not restricted to, the following areas. Quantitative and qualitative methods are respected equally.
- Participatory journalism in political campaigns (crowdsourcing ideas, coverage, etc.)
- Efforts to build trust through participatory and engaged journalism practices
- The use of user-generated content, polls, focus groups and other methods to report news
- Citizen media, civic mapping, community conversations, user comments, community organizing practices in journalism
- Entrepreneurial journalism with collaborative elements
- History/philosophy of participatory media
- The mission and meaning of “participatory” and/or “engaged” media
- Legal and ethical issues in participatory journalism
- Journalism boundaries and norms such as “objectivity” and participatory/engaged journalism
- Crowdsourcing versus traditional “gatekeeping” models of journalism practice
- News sharing and social media distribution
- Participatory journalism in a multicultural and/or multinational environment

- Participatory journalism and mobile/wearable/immersive technologies
- Economic elements of traditional media and their relationship to participatory journalism movements
- Teaching journalism and media production in participatory contexts

Awards: Papers submitted will be eligible for four separate awards: first- and second-place faculty paper awards and first- and second-place student paper awards (both \$150 and \$75 respectively). The poster award will be given after the poster session and is based on the combined quality of the research and poster presentation. Students should clearly identify their papers as “student papers” in the submission process. Papers co-authored with faculty members do not qualify for the student competition.

Submission guidelines: Papers must be submitted in accordance with all requirements of AEJMC and its uniform paper call and electronic submission process. The full paper length is limited to 25 pages, not including references, tables, figures or appendices. Font size should be 12 pt. Times New Roman with margins at least 1 inch on all sides. A COVER SHEET or a sheet with the 75-word ABSTRACT is required but EXCLUDED from the page number limits. We accept papers in any academic formatting style. Papers should not have been published or under review by another conference.

Please direct questions to PJIG Research Co-Chairs, Jacob Nelson (jacob.l.nelson@utah.edu) and/or Carrie Brown, (carrie.brown@journalism.cuny.edu).

Author Identification: All submissions undergo a blind review process. Authors should ensure that their papers do not contain any self-identifying references of any kind including self-citations or the properties section of the pdf document or it will be **disqualified from the conference**. For a detailed explanation, please see “submitting a clean paper” under the uniform paper call on the AEJMC website. **We urge you to submit at least two days before the deadline so you can check your uploaded document for self-identifying information and resubmit prior to the deadline.**

Religion and Media Interest Group

The Religion and Media Interest Group (RMIG) invites submission of research papers from both faculty and students for the 2023 AEJMC annual conference in Washington, D.C. RMIG accepts submission in two paper categories: Open Research and Student Research. Faculty may submit original research papers to the Open Research category, but may not co-author any paper submitted to the Student Research category. Only graduate students are invited to submit original research papers to the Student Research. Papers will be considered for presentation as standard referred research sessions and poster sessions. We will also accept extended abstracts for works-in-progress for the 2023 conference.

Scope. Papers submitted to any category must address a topic related to religion and media. Examples include (but are not limited to) studies of religious group members and uses of religious or secular media; exploration of media coverage of religious issues and groups; analysis of audiences for religious news; media strategies of religious organizations; religious advertising; religious and spiritual content in popular culture; impact of new digital/social media on religious practice; etc. Papers focusing on historically underrepresented religions, denominations and/or groups as well as religious contexts outside the U.S. are strongly encouraged. RMIG will consider papers using quantitative, qualitative or historical research methods. Please note that essays, commentaries, or simple literature reviews will not be considered.

Awards. RMIG sponsors a Top Paper competition for both stu-

dent and faculty papers. The top student and faculty papers will be awarded \$100 each. Co-authors will split the monetary awards, but each will receive a plaque. In addition, certificates will be awarded for the second-place and third-place papers in both categories. RMIG will also cover conference registration fees for the top three student paper presenters. In the case of co-authored student papers, only the student author presenting the paper will be eligible for free conference registration. Student papers may not have a faculty co-author. The awards will not be given if the selected papers are not presented at the conference.

Submissions. RMIG accepts any recognized citation style although APA is preferred. Please limit papers to no more than 25 pages (double-spaced) in length, excluding title page, abstract, tables, figures, references, and notes. In addition, papers should have 1-inch margins and use 12-point Times New Roman, Times or Arial font.

All paper submissions must follow formatting and procedures in the 2023 AEJMC Uniform Paper Call. Please pay particular attention to the following section of that call. **Author-identifying information: Papers uploaded with author's identifying information will not be considered for review and will automatically be disqualified from the competition.** Please submit at least a day or two before the deadline to make sure that the uploaded document does not contain any self-identifying information in its properties, as can happen sometimes, mysteriously, via "save as pdf" or as a result of some other technical issue. Please refer to AEJMC's Uniform Call for Papers on how to upload a clean document.

Questions? Questions should be submitted to Derek Moscato, Research Chair, at derek.moscato@wwu.edu. Type "RMIG Research Paper" in the subject line when communicating via e-mail. For more about RMIG and its mission, please see <https://aejmc.us/rmig/>.

Small Programs Interest Group

The AEJMC Small Programs Interest Group invites submission of original, non-published research papers that focus on teaching and pedagogy to be considered for presentation at the AEJMC Conference, August 7-10, 2023, in Washington, DC. We invite members of all divisions and interest groups to contribute research papers – using any methodology, whether quantitative or qualitative. We especially encourage authors to submit studies on pedagogy and curriculum, as well as learning through student media, internships, and classroom/community partnerships. Members of this division are particularly interested in smaller, teaching-oriented programs. In addition to completed research papers, Extended Abstracts will be accepted for this competition. Details to follow. Accepted papers and/or Extended Abstracts will be presented in a poster session during the conference. The top paper will be considered for publication in the Small Programs Interest Group's journal, [Teaching Journalism and Mass Communication](#).

GUIDELINES: See the AEJMC General Paper Call for instructions to upload to All-Academic Site. The paper must be uploaded to the server no later than 11:59 p.m. (Central Daylight Time) Friday, April 1, 2023. The competition is open to faculty and to graduate students; no separate student competition is held.

The paper must be formatted in Microsoft WORD or PDF. PDF format is strongly encouraged. Authors must completely fill out the online submission form, including author's name, affiliation, mailing address, telephone numbers (academic, home and cell), and preferred email address. The title must be on the first page of the manuscript and on the running heads on every page. However, DO NOT INCLUDE author's name or affiliation within the running heads

or title page or any pop-up options that may be contained in PDF submissions. Papers uploaded with author's identifying information WILL NOT BE CONSIDERED FOR REVIEW AND WILL AUTOMATICALLY BE DISQUALIFIED FROM THE COMPETITION. Follow instructions on how to submit a clean paper for blind reviewing that are in the AEJMC uniform paper call.

SPIG requests a paper length of NO MORE than 25 pages (excluding references) and the document must be double-spaced and typed in 11-point Arial font or Times Roman font-and follow APA style guidelines. Researchers must also upload an Abstract of no more than 75 words.

Authors must heed the AEJMC General Paper Regulations and Deadlines. For example, papers submitted to the wrong division or that do not meet ALL the above guidelines will not be reviewed (for example, submission of an abstract by the deadline but a paper AFTER the deadline, will result in the paper NOT being accepted). However, SPIG research co-chairs will make every effort to contact authors who do not meet guidelines so that they will be aware as early as possible that their paper has not been accepted and the reasons why.

Paper submitters are encouraged to submit at least a day or two before the deadline. An early submission will allow any and all individuals to fully check submissions for self-identifiers after they are entered into the system so that a resubmission prior to the deadline is possible.

Papers are accepted for peer review with the understanding that they are **NOT** under review (or being submitted during the AEJMC review period) to a second division or interest group OR to a journal or other publication. Papers submitted to the 2023 conference should **NOT** have been presented to another conference and neither should they have been published or be in the publication process **BEFORE** the date of the 2023 Conference in August. NOTE: Authors of winning papers/posters must be available to present their poster at the AEJMC conference in August 2023, or have a proxy present for them.

For more information, contact the SPIG Research Co-Chairs: Dave Madsen, Morningside University, madsend@morningside.edu, or Janice Colvin, Wilmington University, janice.k.colvin@wilmu.edu.

Sports Communication Interest Group

The Sports Communication Interest Group invites faculty and student submission of original research papers or extended abstracts that focus on this subject area. Submissions must contain a clear media dimension such as traditional media (newspapers, TV, radio), digital or social media, or strategic communication (PR, advertising, or sports marketing). Submissions should be theoretically grounded and offer tangible evidence of scholarly rigor. We welcome qualitative and quantitative research methods; we encourage a broad spectrum of approaches, including sociological, historical, critical, pedagogical, and cultural research. AEJMC encourages submissions to be mindful of diversity, equity, and inclusion, to ensure diverse identities, voices, perspectives, and experiences are considered, acknowledged, or included.

Submissions must not be under consideration or previously accepted elsewhere for presentation or publication. Any paper found to be under consideration or previously accepted elsewhere will be removed from consideration or the program, as appropriate. Only one paper per lead author will be accepted for review in this interest group. While author(s) are not required to join the group to submit a paper for consideration, only Sports Communication Interest Group members are eligible to present at the conference. Au-

thor(s) may join the group after acceptance decisions are made. Student membership to the Sports Communication Interest Group is free.

Please see the AEJMC Uniform Call for Papers for applicable submission requirements and instructions to upload to the All-Academic site and on how to successfully remove identifying information. We strongly recommend submitting early so you have time to check your uploaded document to ensure no identifying information is included and that the manuscript is both uploaded and accessible. Papers should be no longer than 25 pages, double-spaced (not including tables, figures and references), using a standard 12-point font and 1-inch margins. Papers that do not meet the AEJMC Uniform Call for Papers requirements will not be accepted. The Sports Communication Interest Group also accepts extended abstracts (750-1,500 words) that conform to the AEJMC rules guidelines for abstracts.

Submissions should contain no identifying information, such as name, university affiliation, or job title. Please be certain that any identification that may occur via electronic means is fully removed, as the presence of any identifying information, whether intended or unintended, will result in removal from consideration. By submitting, first authors also are agreeing to review papers in the competition.

Faculty and student submissions will be entered into separate competitions (note the separate links on the entry site) for presentation and for the top paper awards. They will undergo separate anonymous review processes by faculty-only judges. Students who co-author with faculty will be inserted into the faculty pool, regardless of lead author status. Student authors — undergraduate and graduate students enrolled during the 2022-2023 school year — should include a cover sheet that clearly states the paper is a student-authored submission. Only full papers are eligible for award consideration.

Members are also encouraged to submit teaching-focused papers and GIFTs (Good Ideas for Teaching) about sports communication in the classroom. Full-length teaching papers should follow the AEJMC Uniform Call for Papers and provide original research on teaching sports communication. GIFTs are used to highlight successful, class-tested assignments or activities that directly reflect learning objectives for sports communication theory or practice. GIFT submissions should be no more than one page, single-spaced, and include the following information: assignment rationale and brief description, student learning goals, the connection to sports communication pedagogy, and evidence of student learning outcomes, if available. A copy of the assignment can be included in an appendix. All submissions should have all identifying author information removed. Top teaching paper(s) and GIFTs will be included in the 2023 program. For more information, please contact teaching competition chair, Virginia Harrison, vsharri@clemon.edu.

Please direct questions about the overall paper contest and submissions to Michael Mirer at the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee (mirer@uwm.edu) or Brian Petrotta at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln (bpetrotta2@unl.edu).

Commission

Commission on Graduate Education

The Commission on the Status of Graduate Education (CSGE) invites graduate students to submit original, unpublished research papers for the 2023 AEJMC annual convention in Washington, D.C. CSGE is dedicated to providing opportunities for graduate students

to present research in the conference setting. Author(s) may be at any point in their graduate education, from master's degree through Ph.D. Faculty members cannot co-author papers submitted to the Commission on the Status of Graduate Education. The Commission accepts research from all theoretical and methodological perspectives addressing any topic in journalism and mass communication. All submissions must be uploaded through the AEJMC conference website no later than 11:59 p.m. (Central Daylight Time) Saturday, April 1, 2023.

AWARDS: To be considered for CSGE awards, author(s) must be graduate students at the time of submission.

The top-ranked submission by a doctoral student will receive the annual Guido Stempel Award and a cash prize, award plaque, and conference registration reimbursement for the lead author. Authors of the top four papers will have the opportunity to present at the CSGE-sponsored top paper research panel highlighting graduate student research.

The top submission by a master's degree student will receive a cash prize and award plaque. The paper's lead author must be a current master's student at the time of submission. If an author qualifies and would like to be considered for this award, please mark the submission's title page with MASTERS AWARD SUBMISSION.

SUBMISSION FORMATTING: Upload papers for the AEJMC 2023 Washington, D.C. Conference beginning January 15, 2023. Submit the paper via the AEJMC website link (www.aejmc.org) to the AEJMC Commission on the Status of Graduate Education. The paper must be uploaded to the server no later than 11:59 p.m. (Central Daylight Time) Saturday, April 1, 2023.

Papers should be submitted to the AEJMC site in Microsoft Word or PDF format (PDF preferred). An abstract of 75 words should also be uploaded at the time of submission. Papers should be no more than 25 pages (double-spaced, 12-point type), excluding tables, references, figures, or illustrations, and must use APA Style.

According to AEJMC submissions guidelines, the manuscript title should be printed on the title page, the first page of the text, and on running heads on each page of text. Do NOT include the author's name anywhere in the document. Papers uploaded with the author's identifying information displayed *WILL NOT BE CONSIDERED FOR REVIEW AND WILL AUTOMATICALLY BE DISQUALIFIED FROM THE COMPETITION*.

Please carefully check manuscripts for self-identifying information of any kind, including matters of self-citation. AEJMC formally recommends submitting articles at least one day before the deadline to double-check that the uploaded document does not contain any self-identifying information or has any other technical issue. Early submission will allow any and all individuals to thoroughly check submissions as they are entered into the system. Please refer to the AEJMC uniform paper call for more information.

REVIEW PROCESS: All submissions will undergo a blind review process by independent reviewers. Papers are accepted on the understanding that they have not been previously published or presented elsewhere (except for AEJMC regional conferences, e.g. AEJMC Midwinter Conference or the Southeast Colloquium) and are not under consideration by any scholarly journal or trade organization. In addition, authors must wait until receiving AEJMC paper reviews in May before submitting to a journal or other publication. Only one paper per the first author will be accepted.

Useful links to edit and remove self-identifying data from documents: <https://helpx.adobe.com/acrobat/using/pdf-properties-metadata.html>

<https://support.office.com/en-us/article/remove-hidden-data-and-personal-information-by-inspecting-documents-presentations-or-workbooks-356b7b5d-77af-44fe-a07f-9aa4d085966f>

Questions regarding submission should be directed to the CSGE Research Chair Nisha Sridharan (nishas@asu.edu).

Authors will be advised whether their paper has been accepted by May 20 and may access a copy of reviewers' comments from the online server.

Commission on the Status of Women

The Commission on the Status of Women (CSWM) invites students and faculty to submit original research for competitive paper sessions that discuss gender representation, identity, or performativity in the context of journalism, media, and communication. The Commission invites projects that use a variety of methodological approaches, including but not limited to critical, empirical, ethnographic, historical, legal, and semiotic analyses. It is expected that papers will employ feminist theoretical frameworks or will be grounded in the extant literature on issues of gender equality and intersectionality. The Commission encourages research that shows awareness of how gender intersects with class, race, disability, sexual orientation, and other sociocultural markers.

Past papers presented to the CSWM have explored topics such as representations of girls and women in the news; the role of gender in newsrooms or classrooms; effects of media on women and girls; feminist approaches to teaching and communication;

girls' and women's use of/production of media; gender equality in the profession or the academy; how gender influences or matters in health, risk, and crisis public relations campaigns, etc. However, the CSWM is open to papers that address issues beyond the scope of these traditional topics and are grounded in recent developments in feminist and gender-related scholarship.

The suggested paper length is 25 pages (double-spaced, 12-point type), excluding tables, references, figures, or illustrations. We especially encourage submissions by graduate students. Awards will be given to the top faculty-student paper, the top student paper, the top faculty paper, and the top paper submitted by an undergraduate student (with or without their advisor). The authors of the top papers will be recognized in the conference program and at the CSWM business meeting at the conference. This paper call is part of the overall AEJMC call for research papers; all submissions must adhere to the general guidelines put forth by AEJMC. Please consult the AEJMC 2023 Paper Competition Uniform Call for information about paper formatting, submission deadline, and other requirements. Please note that papers containing any identifying author information will be disqualified. Authors are encouraged to take every precaution to ensure that their self-citations (if any) do not reveal their identity.

Please forward any questions or queries to the CSWM Research Co-chairs: Miglena Sternadori (miglena.sternadori@ttu.edu), Zehui Dai (zdai1@radford.edu), and Andrea Mehlhaff Weare (aware@unomaha.edu).

2022 AEJMC Annual Paper Competition Submissions and Acceptances

DIVISIONS	[EA] Submitted	Paper Submitted	[EA] Accepted	Paper Accepted	% Total Accepted
Advertising	35	58	12	35	50.5
Broadcast and Mobile Journalism	11	16	4	11	55.5
Communicating Science, Health, and Risk	80	115	30	58	45.1
Communication Technology (CTEC)	51	87	17	41	42.0
Communication Theory & Methodology	10	47	4	24	49.1
Cultural & Critical Studies	25	43	9	28	54.4
History	11	24	4	13	48.6
International Communication	38	61	15	39	54.5
Law and Policy	10	21	5	10	48.3
Magazine Media	2	4	2	2	66.7
Mass Communication & Society	41	88	19	46	50.3
Media Ethics	6	22	3	10	46.4
Media Management, Economics & Entrepreneurship	7	14	3	11	66.7
Minorities & Communication	25	32	8	22	49.1
Newspaper and Online News	39	56	18	27	47.4
Political Communication	39	82	13	48	50.4
Public Relations	25	59	6	32	45.2
Scholastic Journalism	9	9	5	7	66.7
Visual Communication	29	23	9	10	36.5
TOTALS FOR DIVISIONS	493	861	186	477	973.4
Averages	61.6	45.3	9.8	25.1	51.2
Minimum	2	4	2	4	36.5
Maximum	80	115	30	58	66.7
INTEREST GROUPS/COMMISSIONS	[EA] Submitted	Paper Submitted	[EA] Accepted	Paper Accepted	% Total Accepted
Community Journalism	5	10	2	7	60.0
Entertainment Studies	10	28	2	16	47.3
Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender & Queer	9	6	3	2	33.3
Graduate Student	41	27	19	18	54.4
Internships and Careers	2	3	1	3	80.0
Participatory Journalism	2	5	1	4	71.4
Religion and Media	5	10	2	6	53.3
Small Programs	5	5	3	2	50.0
Sports Communication	15	21	7	12	52.8
Commission/Status of Women	18	24	6	14	47.6
TOTALS FOR INTEREST GROUPS/COMMISSIONS	112	139	46	84	550.1
Averages	11.2	13.9	4.6	8.4	55.0
Minimum	2	3	1	2	33.3
Maximum	41	28	19	18	80.0

Do You Have Plans to Submit a Paper to the AEJMC 2023 Conference?

Remember these important tips:

- Paper submission deadline is April 1, 2023, at 11:59 p.m. CDT
- Your paper will be disqualified from review if it shows any author identification.
- Only the paper chair of the group you submitted to may tell you if your paper has been accepted. Notification is by May 20, 2023.
- You MUST create a new account before uploading your paper. Login information from last year will not work on the 2023 paper submission site.
- Use the following link to create your account and upload your paper:

<https://convention2.allacademic.com/one/aejmc/aejmc23/>