

**25th Annual African Diaspora Pre-Conference
Adult Education Research Conference (AERC)
University of Oklahoma, Norman
June 8, 2017**

CALL FOR PAPERS

Deadline: March 3, 2017

The 25th Annual African Diaspora Adult Education Research Pre-Conference will be held at the **University of Oklahoma, Norman** in conjunction with the 58th Annual Adult Education Research Conference. The conference theme this year is "**Celebrating 25 Years: The Struggle Continues.**" Members of the African Diaspora who engage in or conduct research on "the lived experiences of Black folks," are still often questioned and discouraged from engaging in these types of studies. The purpose of this pre-conference is to provide a forum in which graduate students of African ancestry can engage in research and critically dialogue about theories, philosophies and practices related to the education or experiences of adults in the African Diaspora. Proposals will be evaluated on the basis of relevance to conference and conceptual clarity. Please make sure to follow a research format when constructing your proposal. Proposals for paper presentations pertinent to one of the following pre-conference areas are invited:

- 1) Historical research on people of African Descent who are involved in adult and continuing education.
- 2) Research on contemporary issues, problems, and concerns relevant to the African Diaspora in the area of adult and continuing education.
- 3) Conceptual or theoretical research relative to adult and continuing education for learners of the African Diaspora.

Steering Committee:

Doris Flowers, San Francisco State University; Juanita Johnson Bailey, University of Georgia; Vanessa Sheared, University of the Pacific, Dionne Rosser-Mims, Troy University

Instructions for Proposal Submissions

Please submit your proposal via email to:

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Proposals, a one page abstract and one page cover sheet, must be postmarked by, **March 3, 2017**. You will be notified about the status of proposal by **March 20, 2017**. This is a blind review process; therefore it is essential to follow these instructions:

Electronic Submission

1. Submit one copy of a typed cover sheet which includes the paper title, your name, address, phone and fax numbers, e-mail address, and a signed warrant statement which states: "I warrant that if my paper is accepted, I will submit **electronically** an eight (8) page (single-spaced, typed) summary for inclusion in the Pre-Conference Proceedings to dflowers@sfsu.edu. I understand that if this summary is not submitted by, **May 1, 2017**, my paper will not be included as part of the 25th Annual African Diaspora Adult Education Research Pre-Conference Proceedings." Please sign the warrant statement.
2. You are to submit electronically typed, single-spaced, one-page abstract, not to exceed 600 words. The abstract must include the paper title at the top, but not the name of the author(s). Send electronically to dflowers@sfsu.edu.