

13th Asian Diaspora Pre-Conference

June 9, 2022

in Conjunction with
AERC 2022

CALL FOR PROPOSALS

Deadline: March 1, 2022

The 13th Asian Pre-conference will be held at the University of Oklahoma, USA, on June 9, 2022, in conjunction with the 63rd Adult Education Research Conference (AERC). The theme for this year's Asian pre-conference is: *Adult Education in Changing Global Context: Innovative Theory and Practices Impacting Asians and Beyond*. The purpose of this pre-conference is to provide an opportunity for scholars from both Asian ancestries (East) and the Rest of the world to enhance mutual learning through active exchanges, to discuss diverse academic perspectives, and to dialogue for fuller understandings from each other.

Since 2003, the Asian pre-conference has served as an active learning community that allows faculty, scholars, and graduate students from multiple countries and cultures the opportunity to present their scholarship and research studies. This forum encourages academic connections, supports research activities, and offers glimpses of academic life from scholars and graduate students living around the world. Presented papers will be included in peer-reviewed conference Proceedings.

In the global context, knowledge production is an active process that involves interconnectedness, collaboration, and engagement with the world. Reviewing theories, models, and practices of adult and continuing education from different cultural traditions and diverse social systems enables us to seek broader perspectives, richer theories, and more effective practices. **We welcome proposals outlining research studies and practical applications reflecting on exchanging ideas between the East and the Rest.** Examples of topic areas can include but are not limited to:

- Adult learning, adult education, and adult development
- Continuing education and professional development
- Lifelong learning and lifelong education
- Learning societies and learning cities
- Adult learning theories
- Newer approaches to adult learning and teaching
- Cross-cultural teaching, learning and training
- Work-based learning and workplace training
- Adult vocational education and human resources development
- Learnership development and organizational development
- Distance education for adult learning and adult and higher education

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We also welcome proposals that focus on research and practice through a COVID lens. The recent worldwide pandemic both strengthened and hindered the learning process. Through the application of available technology, COVID-19 expanded how knowledge is constructed and delivered. Yet, the pandemic also magnified worldwide issues, including those found within social, political, and medical contexts. In this sense, the pandemic offers a wealth of opportunities for innovative theoretical research and practices.

Examples of topics can include but are not limited to:

- Emergent technologies during a pandemic
- Sustainability during COVID
- Impact of COVID on health issues and trauma
- Political issues such as Stop Asian Hate
- Remote learning during the emergent transition
- Career changes and focus of adult education in the future in the post-covid times

Proposal Submission Instructions

Proposal Submission Instructions Submit your proposal (cover page and content page) for the 13th Asian Preconference through https://ecu.az1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_e5Tnclrd5NPJF4i. Proposal review uses a blind review process. **All proposals must be received electronically by March 1, 2022.** Notification of decision will be sent on or before April 1, 2022. Accepted proposal author(s) will be provided instructions on presentation.

NOTE: For those whose proposals are accepted but for personal reasons, may not be able to physically attend the conference, there will be an option for distance presentation, particularly for presenters out of the USA.

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Paper (200-300 words excluding references)

We invite faculty, researchers, and graduate students to submit proposals from your original research relevant to our pre-conference theme. Please include the following in your paper proposal:

- Proposal title, author(s)' name, position, affiliation, and contact information on the cover page
- Proposal title & keywords (3-5 words)
- Purpose of Study
- Perspectives and/or Conceptual Framework,
- Position/Opinions supported by literature
- Methodology
- Findings (if available), and
- Significance/Conclusion/Implications



Panel Discussions (200-300 words)

We invite faculty, researchers, and graduate students to submit their proposals for panel discussion to share their research, reflections, observations, and experiences relevant to the theme. Please include the following information:

- Proposal title, author(s)' name, position, affiliation, and contact information on the cover page
- The title of your panel discussion
- Abstract (200-300 words)



Electronic/Video/Visual Aid Project Showcase (practice-oriented) (200 words)

We invite faculty, researchers, and students to submit a written proposal to showcase a specific project through video presentation. This project will **focus on practice rather than theoretical research**. You are highly encouraged to create a video of the physical sites of the learning activity or program that you wish to share. This format provides the international audience with authentic local context and cultural variations (Click here for an [example](#) of a video project). If accepted, participants will share their video projects at the pre-conference. Maximum timeframe for video showcase is 10 minutes.

In your submission, please include the following information:

- Proposal title, author(s)' name, position, affiliation, and contact information on the cover page
- The title of your Electronic Showcase Project
- Abstract (200 words): in your abstract, briefly provide the following information:
 - a description of the activity, program, or practical approaches/strategies that you plan to share with our audience
 - reasons why you want us to know this activity/program/approach
 - how this activity/program is designed, delivered, and/or functioned
 - what we can learn from this activity/program/approach. Please be specific.
 - how you will organize this showcase, for example: using video, or visual format with audio introduction, or other multimedia formats..

Conference Proceedings

Authors whose proposals are accepted will have the option of submitting their presented papers for possible publication through peer-reviewed conference Proceedings. Authors have until the Proceedings deadline to upload their Proceedings file. More information related to conference Proceedings publication will be made available upon proposal acceptance.

Submit your proposal today at https://ecu.az1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_e5Tnclrd5NPJF4i

Contact Xi Lin at: linxi18@ecu.edu if you have questions for submission.

Contact Qi Sun at: qsun8@utk.edu if you have questions regarding the preconference.

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