The 8th Bullying, Incivility, and Violence in Adult, Higher, Continuing, and Professional Education Pre-Conference

In Conjunction with The 2024 Adult Education Research Conference (AERC) University of Georgia, Gwinnett Campus Gwinnett, Georgia June 13, 2024 (All Day) In-Person & Virtual Conference

Revisiting our History of Bullying, Incivility, and Violence in Adult and Continuing Education Literature and Research

Call for Proposals Submission Deadline: March 25, 2024

Overview and Purpose

Previous research indicated that bullying, harassment, incivility, and violence permeate contemporary educational systems and that there has been an increasing number of incidents of bullying, harassment, incivility, and violence in educational settings and workplaces as reflected in society at large (Misawa, 2021; Twale, 2018). Bullying, incivility, and violence still have impact in educational contexts and people including educators and learners. This pre-conference has focused on bullying, incivility, and violence in adult, higher, continuing, and professional education for seven years. Through our pre-conferences, we have examined and explored various contexts of bullying, incivility, and violence and how those malicious behaviors impact educational contexts of adults.

This year's pre-conference is titled, **Revisiting our History of Bullying**, **Incivility**, **and Violence in Adult and Continuing Education Literature and Research** and focuses on providing an opportunity for scholars, practitioners, and learners to have a critical dialogue about empirical, theoretical, and practical issues of bullying, incivility, and violence in adult, higher, continuing, and professional education. Example topics include, but are not limited to:

- Academic and/or workplace bullying
- Racism, sexism, transphobia, heterosexism, or ableism in higher education
- Ethical Leadership and Ethical Practice in higher education
- Trauma responsive practice
- Social justice research and practice in diversity, equity, and inclusion (DEI)
- International comparisons of educational or workplace policies regarding bullying, incivility, and violence
- Sexual assault or hazing on university campuses
- Shared experiences from faculty, practitioners, and/or graduate students
- Intersectionality and positionality in adult education research and practice
- Creating LGBTQ-friendly campus cultures

Types of Proposals

Proposals are encouraged for paper presentations focused on the topical areas of bullying, incivility, and violence in adult, higher, continuing, and/or professional education. Graduate students, early-career researchers and practitioners, and seasoned researchers and practitioners are invited to submit proposals for the following types of presentations:

- Empirical research
- Theory/model development
- Research methodology
- Theorizing from the literature
- Practical applications

Instructions for Proposal Submission

Please submit your proposal <u>on or before March 25, 2024</u> via email to the chair of the preconference committee:

Mitsunori Misawa, Ph.D. The University of Tennessee, Knoxville Email: <u>mmisawa@utk.edu</u>

Your proposal should be two pages long:

Page one: One typed cover sheet that includes title, your name, phone number, email address, and the following signed warrant statement:

I warrant that if my proposal is accepted, I will submit electronically a three- to eightpage single-spaced, typed paper for inclusion in the Pre-Conference Proceedings. I will email this paper to <u>mmisawa@utk.edu</u> by May 31, 2024. I understand that if this paper is not submitted by May 31, 2024, then my paper will not be included as part of the 8th Bullying, Incivility, and Violence in Adult, Higher, Continuing, and Professional Education Pre-Conference proceedings, and instead, only my abstract will be included.

Page two: One typed, single-spaced, one-page abstract, not to exceed 350 words. The abstract must include the following information:

- Proposal title
- Abstract (No more than 350 words)
- 3-5 keywords

Please note that all received proposals will be submitted for a blind peer review process. **Again, the proposal submission deadline is** <u>March 25, 2024</u>. Notification of our decision regarding your proposal will be sent on or before March 31, 2024. Accepted proposal authors will be provided information and instructions for full-text paper submissions.

Steering Committee:

Mitsunori Misawa (Chair) – The University of Tennessee, Knoxville Patricia Higgins – The University of Tennessee, Knoxville