

CALL FOR PROPOSALS

2019 Joint Research Symposium sponsored by:
Association for Experiential Education (AEE) &

Association for Outdoor Recreation and Education (AORE)

Conference Theme: Learning Expedition: A prescription for better health and wellness
Spokane, Washington, November 13-15, 2019

Proposals describing new empirical and conceptual research in the area of outdoor experiential education are now being solicited for the **2019 Joint Conference of the Association for Experiential Education (AEE), its research symposium, SEER, and the Association for Outdoor Recreation and Education (AORE).**

New this Year: In 2019, AEE and AORE will present a joint research symposium as part of the combined conference. The symposium will include traditional oral presentations (15 minutes to present/ 5 minutes of questions) and poster presentations.

The oral presentations will be grouped according to themes emerging from the highest-ranked papers whose presenters requested oral presentations. Grouping papers by theme encourages greater participation by other conference attendees and affords more focused discussion in each session. Poster presentations selected will be displayed in a visible location for all conference attendees to view, and time will be scheduled for authors to present and discuss their research.

All submitted proposals are blind reviewed and ranked according to the following criteria: (a) clarity of question or problem; (b) importance of the topic or study; (c) establishment of theoretical and methodological basis for study; (d) appropriateness of the methods; (e) evidence or logic that supports the conclusions; and (f) contribution to the philosophy of experiential education and/or experiential methods; (g) proper APA formatting; (h) quality of writing (i.e. style, flow, grammar and spelling).

A typical abstract submitted will include a literature review, statement of purpose/need for the study, methods used, results, discussion, and references. **Data analysis does not need to be completed by the submission deadline but is expected to be completed by the final abstract submission date prior to the conference.**

Authors of selected oral and poster presentations will have their abstracts published in the 2019 AEE/AORE Book of Proceedings, on the AEE website, and have an opportunity to be considered for publication in the *Journal of Outdoor Recreation, Education, and Leadership (JOREL)*. Attendance and presentation at the conference is required in order for the abstract to be published.

Conditions for Submission of Proposals

1. Completed studies or scholarly discussions are suitable for submission. Proposals of work in progress may also be submitted provided the analysis is complete when the final abstract is due.
2. Only studies or papers that have not been previously published or presented at another professional conference may be submitted. Papers that address the same question, use the same analysis, or develop the same logical argument as previous publications or presentations are not eligible.
3. Proposals undergo blind peer reviews, but Symposium co-chairs make final decisions about acceptance.
4. Papers may be rejected due to time and space limitations, ineffective development within the two-page proposal, violation of the preceding listed conditions in #1 or #2, excessive APA or mechanical errors (i.e. grammar and spelling), weaknesses in the study/project itself, or failure to follow submission guidelines (see below).

5. Authors, whose proposal is accepted, are expected to deliver their presentations in person, as assigned during the Symposium. Please submit a proposal only if you are committed to attending the Symposium. Presenters are expected to register for the 2019 AORE/ AEE Joint Conference and may do so at the presenter rate.
6. The deadline for submission is **April 8, 2019**. Authors will be notified via e-mail of the status of their submission by about **May 24, 2019**. Presenters will be asked to provide a final abstract of their study by **September 3, 2019**, for inclusion in the Proceedings of the Symposium.
7. Accepted authors are encouraged to submit full papers to the *Journal of Experiential Education (JEE)* or the *Journal of Outdoor Recreation, Education and Leadership (JOREL)*.

Proposal Preparation Details

1. Proposals must be limited to two pages maximum, using 12-point Times New Roman, single-spaced text and one-inch margins on sides, top, and bottom. A third page containing references may be included. Submitted proposals should be formatted according to the most current edition of the Publication Manual of the American Psychological Association (APA 6th ed.). Files should be submitted in Microsoft Word format.
2. Proposals need a title reflecting the general nature of the research. Also include a running head on each page.
3. Proposals reporting empirical studies should contain appropriate headings identifying the following sections: review of literature, method, results, and discussion. Proposals reporting conceptual and theoretical discussions should have appropriately descriptive headings.
4. Remove author identification in properties. (In Word, go to File, then Properties. Choose Summary and remove author name.) Track changes should not be readable.
5. A list of references, not exceeding one page, should be included at the end of the proposal. It should use the same font and margin format as previously specified for abstract proposals. References should be formatted according to the most current edition of the Publication Manual of the *American Psychological Association*. *Proposals not meeting these specifications will not be considered for review.*

Submission Instructions

1. Submissions for the AEE/AORE Research Symposium are being managed through the *Journal of Outdoor Recreation, Education and Leadership (JOREL)*
2. Register an account/ or log into your *JOREL* account through Sagamore Publishing at: <https://js.sagamorepub.com/jorel/user/register>
3. As author, enter a “new submission” on the *JOREL* website and choose “2019 AEE/AORE Research Symposium” as the Submission Category.
4. Follow instructions as any other submission including entering all metadata (author byline, title, references, etc. and then upload a complete copy of your abstract without any author identifying information.

Questions: Contact symposium co- chair, Dr. Bruce Martin at: martinc2@ohio.edu

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