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Embracing Resilience

Nonprofit & Philanthropic Education Responds to Contextual Changes
July 9-11 | College Park, Maryland

CALL FOR PROPOSALS

The Nonprofit Academic Centers Council (NACC) is now accepting proposals for our 2025 Conference.

Conference Themes

Embracing Change | Fostering Resilience | Building Consensus
Technology & Innovation | Teaching Pedagogy & Best Practices

Session Types

Workshops | Roundtable Discussions
Panel Presentations | Individual Presentations

Submit Proposals by February 15th!

Register for the conference by May 31st for early bird pricing



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THE NONPROFIT ACADEMIC CENTERS COUNCIL (NACC) IS ACCEPTING PROPOSALS FOR ITS 2025 CONFERENCE THROUGH FEBRUARY 15, 2025.

The 2025 conference, hosted by the University of Maryland's School of Public Policy and the Do Good Institute, will be held in College Park, Maryland, USA, from July 9 to 11, 2025. You do not have to be a faculty member or part of a NACC member program to apply. However, the call for proposals is currently limited to those who can attend in person.

Conference Theme

Our conference theme, **"Embracing Resilience: Nonprofit & Philanthropic Education Responds to Contextual Changes,"** focuses on the core topics outlined below.

➤ Embracing Change

Understanding and adapting to economic, social, and political changes inside and outside the classroom to nurture students, staff, and faculty. Lessons learned from the past, strategies to implement, and strategic planning for the future.

➤ Fostering Resilience

Strategies to cultivate the tools, resources, and mindset needed to survive and thrive. Sharing practical strategies to help our students and programs stay resilient amidst continued changes and/or challenges in our classrooms, departments, and communities.

➤ Building Consensus

Working with diverse stakeholders to collaborate, engage in meaningful dialogue, and work to achieve common goals that benefit our students, programs, communities, and the sector through mutual understanding, decision-making, and cooperative strategies.

➤ Technology and Innovation

Embracing evolving technology, AI, and other advancements better to understand the needs of our communities and students. Exploring what innovative teaching and community engagement can be accomplished through these innovations as students, educators, nonprofit professionals, and administrators. Utilizing new technology in our research, program administration, teaching, and outreach to support and build our programs and centers.

➤ Teaching Pedagogy and Best Practices

Sharing innovative and effective teaching methods and experiences that set the standard of excellence in the field. Exploring and sharing ideas and practices to enhance learning for and about the nonprofit and philanthropic sectors. Exploring ways to assess and research teaching practices and outcomes.



Note: While proposals are not limited to these topics, scheduling priority may be given to those that focus on these areas.



Proposal Types

The following proposal formats are being accepted:

➤ Workshops

Highly interactive sessions where the facilitators and participants actively engage with each other. Facilitators should offer resources, comments, or perspectives on a certain issue or area and work with participants toward a common goal or objective. Workshops may include facilitators providing certain materials or requesting that participants bring material to work on during the session.

➤ Roundtable Discussions



These proposals allow a moderator/chair to facilitate conversation around a common topic or theme. These sessions should be highly interactive and discussion-based, where all participants can share their views and engage in dialogue.

➤ Panel Discussions or Presentations

A small group of pre-arranged speakers/presenters who address a common theme or topic. Panels should include a chair or facilitator and ideally include diverse participants in terms of where they work, area of study, lived experiences, etc.

➤ Individual Presentations

Individuals (or co-authors) present scholarly papers, research, or teaching and pedagogy best practices. These sessions will be grouped with 2-3 other submissions with similar/related topics.

 **Scheduling Note:** Currently, we plan on scheduling 60-minute sessions. For submissions requiring a different amount of time, please let us know in the section for logistical considerations. 

Submission Requirements

The proposal submission form will ask you to provide the following information:

➤ Primary Presenter Contact Information

- Full Name
- Email Address
- University/Organization
- School, Department, or Program (as needed)
- Job Title
- Phone Number

➤ Proposal Type

➤ Session Title

➤ Session Description / Abstract

➤ Conference Theme(s) The Session Covers

➤ 3-5 Keywords that Describe the Proposal

➤ Names and Emails of additional presenters (if applicable)

➤ Any Additional Session Documents Needed

➤ Special Logistic Considerations (if any)

Proposal Timeline:

- February 15th**
Proposals Due
- Mid-March**
Selected Proposals Notified via Email
- Mid-April**
Draft Schedule Sent to Presenters
- May 1st**
Schedule Posted on Conference Website
*schedule may still be subject to change

**READY TO SUBMIT? [CLICK HERE](#) OR SCAN THE QR CODE TO SUBMIT
YOUR PROPOSAL BY FEBRUARY 15TH!**



About NACC

Founded in 1991, the Nonprofit Academic Centers Council (NACC) is an international membership association comprised of academic centers and programs at accredited colleges and universities focused on the study of nonprofit/nongovernmental organizations, voluntary action, and/or philanthropy. Learn more about NACC on our website.