

## Call for Workshop Proposals

49TH ANNUAL CONFERENCE

October 17-19, 2018

Trumbull Marriott Merritt Parkway, Trumbull, Connecticut

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As a regional affiliate of the American Educational Research Association, NERA invites proposals for workshops for our annual meeting that appeal to the following audiences: **Quantitative/Measurement researchers, Qualitative researchers, Graduate Students, and Teachers as Researchers**. We welcome proposals from NERA members and well as non-NERA members. As a point of reference, our conference theme is:

*“Honoring the Past in Educational Research, While Looking Ahead: What Does the Future Hold?”*

For more information about the conference theme, visit NERA at [www.nera-education.org](http://www.nera-education.org). Although we encourage workshop proposals related to the conference theme, this is not a requirement for submissions.

Below you will find the general requirements for NERA workshop proposals as well as specific guidelines corresponding to the workshop sessions.

### Submission Requirements

- Complete information for author(s) including affiliation(s)
- Descriptive title (**maximum: 15 words**)
- Three keywords
- Primary Audience (Quantitative/Measurement researchers, Qualitative researchers, Graduate Students, and/or Teachers as Researchers)
- Description of workshop to appear in conference program (**maximum: 50 words**).
- Proposal, NOT including tables, figures, and references (**maximum: 1000 words**).
  - Proposal should include: purpose, methodological focus (can be more than one), steps/procedures planned, and educational implications. Proposal should also include information about presenters and why presenters are qualified to offer the proposed workshop.
  - Warning: Proposals with more than 1000 words will not be accepted.

## Submission Format

The proposal submission form will be online and accessible from the NERA website by April 30<sup>th</sup>, 2018. At the time of submission, authors will be required to select from a list of descriptive keywords to categorize the proposal.

## Submission Review Process

- Proposals *must* be submitted electronically by **Monday, May 14<sup>th</sup>, 2018 (11:59pm EST)**.
- **NEW:** All NERA members will have an opportunity to vote on each blinded workshop proposal (workshop presenter's names will be removed from proposal descriptions).
- Each workshop proposal description will be sent to NERA members and selections made based on members' interest; no specific criteria will be given.
  - This change in selection process is due to member and presenter feedback regarding low attendance at several workshops. By allowing the NERA membership to vote on the most desired workshop topics for presentation, we are ensuring that there will be optimal attendance at the workshops during the conference.
  - Please keep this in mind when writing workshop proposal descriptions.
- Next, conference co-chairs will make sure to select workshops that are proportional to our membership audiences in order to provide a balance of offerings (i.e., all workshops will not be geared towards only 1 or 2 audiences).
- Workshop proposal decisions will be emailed to leading proposers by end of June. Details about workshop session dates and times will follow when the program is finalized late summer.
- Please note: Although you do not have to be a member to propose a workshop, you must become a member if your workshop proposal is accepted in order to present at the NERA annual conference.

## WORKSHOP-SPECIFIC GUIDELINES – 2018 NERA CONFERENCE

When submitting your workshop proposal, you will be asked to rank which of the following session time slots you prefer. Regardless of the slot you choose, ***your workshop will be voted on by NERA members***. We hope to maintain a variety of sessions this year to maximize the professional development opportunities for NERA members.

### 1. *Time Slots*

- a. Wednesday, October 17, 2018: 8:00am to 10:00am
- b. Wednesday, October 17, 2018: 8:00am to 12:00pm
- c. Wednesday, October 17, 2018: 8:00am to 11:00am
- d. Wednesday, October 17, 2018: 1:00pm to 2:30pm

If you have any questions, please contact the conference chairs at [nera18conference@gmail.com](mailto:nera18conference@gmail.com)

Thank you,  
Tabitha McKinley, New Jersey Department of Education  
Jade Caines Lee, University of New Hampshire  
*NERA 2018 Conference Chairs*

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