Arizona Educational Research Organization
2018 Annual Meeting
December 7, 2018

Call for Proposals

Deadline: October 26, 2018

Making Research Matter for Arizona's Students: Evidence in the Age of "Post-Truth"

We are living in an age of increasing skepticism about the value of research for shaping education and other public policies. How can researchers and practitioners work together to respond to this challenge? We are interested in papers that address the following issues: How do we make educational research relevant for a range of audiences? How can we use research to reduce inequalities in access to education and expand educational opportunities in and beyond Arizona? How do different modalities of research provide unique insights into the strengths and challenges of Arizona's system of public education?

AERO 2018 is the venue for sharing your research, learning what others in Arizona are doing, and networking with colleagues from across the state. The conference will provide an opportunity for the dissemination of a wide variety of research, evaluation, and applied projects from Arizona's PreK-20 educational research and evaluation community. Presenters are encouraged to submit proposals for projects that involve partnerships with local organizations, highlight innovative investigations into long-standing educational challenges, apply new knowledge and test new ideas in real-world situations, present empirically-backed and field-tested best practices, as well as strategies for sharing outcomes with a wide range of audiences within and outside of Arizona. The conference welcomes submissions for paper and poster presentations, symposia, and workshops related to the conference theme.

In addition, submissions are welcome on a wide range of educational topics listed on the following page, including but not limited to:

- action research
- analyses of local, state, and federal education policies
- applied research for program improvement
- distance and online learning
- educational research in or across formal and informal settings
- educational leadership
- educational technology and its use in learning environments
- knowledge mobilization or efforts to address the gap between research and practice
- measuring student and school success
- the nature of education in the twenty-first century
- practitioner-researcher partnerships
- program evaluation

More information about the annual meeting and submitting proposals is available at: http://www.azedresearch.org/

AERO 2018 Awards
Deadline for Nominations: October 26, 2018

AERO is pleased to offer two awards, a) the 2018 Outstanding Graduate Student Paper Award; and b) the 2018 Early Career Researcher Award.

Outstanding Graduate Student Paper Award: Graduate students may submit a paper written as a single author or with graduate student colleagues. Prior recipients are ineligible for the award. Submissions should not exceed 15 pages of narrative (references, tables, etc. may be included in appendices). Papers will be evaluated by a panel of AERO members based upon: significance of the topic; purpose of the work; quality of the literature review and theoretical framework, data collection, results/reporting, and analysis; impact of the study; and adherence to APA formatting. Award recipients are expected to present their work at the 2019 AERA Annual Meeting as an exemplar study from Arizona; partial funding is provided to support the awardee's AERA attendance.

Early Career Researcher Award: This award is intended to recognize a paper, policy brief or report written by an early career researcher. Researchers with 10 or fewer years in the field are eligible to apply. Submissions should not exceed 15 pages of narrative (references, tables, etc. may be included in appendices). Nominations should also include a resume or CV. The submissions will be rated by a panel of AERO members based upon: significance of the topic; purpose of the work; quality of the data collection, results/reporting, and analysis; and the impact of the study. The award provides a modest stipend to attend a conference or support the awardee's professional development.

Candidates for either award should submit the nomination materials outlined above to aero.azedresearch@gmail.com.