Proposal Categories

Peer-Reviewed Proposals (Four Presentation Formats)

Each peer-reviewed proposal is submitted to one of the 40 Tracks. There are four presentation format options:

1. **Electronic Poster** (60 minutes, up to four presenters)
2. **Interactive Workshop** (60 minutes, up to four presenters)
3. **Oral Presentation** (60-minute time block consisting of two 25-minute oral presentations and 5-minute Q&A; up to three presenters)
4. **Panel** (60 minutes, two-to-four presenters)

Those submitting proposals must select only one presentation format per proposal.

Read more about [Proposal Structure](#).

Electronic Poster (E-Poster)

CSWE exclusively uses a digital e-poster format (60 minutes, up to four presenters). All e-posters must be submitted electronically in advance to our e-poster vendor, ePosterboards, LLC. The vendor will host a webinar for accepted e-poster presenters.

Each electronic poster will be 55 minutes in length and will have a 5-minute Q&A at the end of its presentation.

Proposal components:

- Background/Rationale
- Methods/Methodology
- Results
- Conclusions

Proposals will be reviewed for the following:
• Relevance of topic, study, or inquiry to CSWE members and conference theme
• Clarity of the written proposal or focus of inquiry
• Appropriateness of research method(s) and/or conceptual foundation
• Robustness of analytical and/or theoretical frame
• Significance for social work education, practice, research, policy, or theory
• Implications for social justice

IMPORTANT: Please bring your presentation on a flash drive to APM as a backup.

Interactive Workshop

Each workshop will be 60 minutes (up to four presenters) and will provide a highly interactive portion (at least 45 minutes)

Proposal components:

• Background/Rationale
• Objectives: Indicate the learning outcomes participants will achieve by attending the workshop
• Teaching Methods: Describe how you will achieve the objectives in an interactive manner

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Oral Presentation

Oral Presentations (60-minute time block consisting of two 30-minute oral presentations; each may have up to 3 presenters)

Each oral presentation will be 25 minutes in length and will have a 5-minute Q&A at the end of its presentation.

Proposal components:

• Background/Rationale
• Methods/Methodology
Results
Conclusions

Proposals will be reviewed for the following:

- Relevance of topic, study, or inquiry to CSWE members and conference theme
- Clarity of the written proposal or focus of inquiry
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Panel

Panels (60 minutes, minimum of two presenters and up to four presenters)

Collection of various works on a particular subject.

Proposal components are to include:

- Background/Rationale
- Objectives
- Implications

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Invited Proposals

There are five format options for invited proposals: two types of preconference workshops, CSWE Connect sessions, Hot Topic sessions, and partnership presentations.

Preconference Workshops

Two types of preconference workshops will be presented Thursday, November 12, 2020.

- **Field Education Institute** (1 hour, up to three presenters): The 2020 APM will offer an all-day Field Education Institute. This institute will focus on diversity, equity, and inclusion issues in field education through a series of 1-hour sessions. Specific areas of interest include how field
education is responding to the various needs of students (e.g., housing and food insecurities, poverty, mental health concerns neurodiversity, disability, immigration status, homophobia, sexism, racism) and how field educators can better advocate for diversity and support inclusivity in field settings that may have competing priorities and/or divergent goals.

- **Teaching Institute for Faculty** (2 hours, up to five presenters): The 2020 APM will offer a Teaching Institute designed for faculty members focused on diversity, equity, and inclusion issues in the classroom. Sessions will be presented in 2-hour workshop formats. We seek proposals that explore how faculty members can transform their classrooms and curricula to create learning environments that celebrate today’s diverse student populations and genuinely mirror their backgrounds and experiences. In this learning environment, students should learn to value and affirm the lives of others and integrate evidence-based teaching practices that promote empathy and critical thinking. They should also examine real-world problems and how social barriers create unequal treatment of target groups and related social and ethical implications. A strong foundation should be provided for the development of cognitive, affective, and behavioral skills necessary for intercultural competence.

Other relevant teaching topics for new faculty members will also be considered.

**Additional Invited Proposal Options**

The following presentation formats are available for sessions Friday–Sunday, November 13–15, 2020.

- **CSWE Connect** (60 minutes, up to seven presenters): CSWE commissions and councils are invited to submit proposals that highlight work that advances their charges and the mission of CSWE. Proposals should showcase any current projects and/or work being addressed. Priority will be given to proposals that relate to the theme of the conference.

- **Hot Topic** (20 minutes, up to three presenters): Presentations are on emerging and important topics for social work educators or on topics not covered by other APM presentations and related to the conference theme. Hot topics will be TEDx-style talks and will be grouped with other hot topic sessions selected.

- **Partnership Presentations** (60 minutes, up to 10 presenters): Sessions provide opportunities for social work education-related groups to make special presentations at the APM. Due to meeting space availability, each group will be limited to one accepted presentation.

**Note Regarding Invited Proposals**

Although invited proposals are not peer reviewed, they must follow the same procedures as defined for peer-reviewed proposals. Those submitting proposals must select only one presentation format per proposal.

Invited session proposals are reviewed by CSWE and any relevant groups based on the following criteria:

- Relevance of topic, study, or inquiry to CSWE members and the conference theme
- Clarity of the written proposal
- Significance for social work education, practice, research, policy, or theory
CSWE makes the final decision on all invited sessions based on the above criteria.

All session presenters are subject to the 2020 APM Accepted Presenter Compliance Policy.

CSWE Connect

CSWE Connect sessions focus on the work of each of CSWE’s 17 Commissions and Councils on issues of interest and showcase projects of these leadership groups.

- 60 minutes, up to 7 presenters
- Sessions focus on the work of each of CSWE’s 17 Commissions and Councils
- They present issues of interest and showcase projects of these leadership groups

CSWE Connect Session Requirements

- Title: 12 words
- List of Presenters
- Overview: 50 words
- Proposal Text: 750 words

Invited session presenters are subject to the 2020 APM Accepted Presenter Compliance Policy as are those for the peer-reviewed presenters.

Hot Topic

Hot Topic sessions focus on emerging and important topics for social work educators or on topics not covered by other APM presentations.

- 20 minutes, up to 3 presenters, oral presentations.
- Presentations are on emerging and important topics for social work educators or on topics not covered by other APM presentations.
- Proposals are selected by CSWE.

Hot Topic Requirements

- Title: 12 words
- Overview: 50 words
- Topic Focus Area
- List of Presenters
- Proposal Text: 750 words or less
Invited session presenters are subject to the 2020 APM Accepted Presenter Compliance Policy as are those for the peer-reviewed presenters.

Partnership Presentations

Partnership Presentations provide opportunities for social work education-related groups to make special presentations at the APM.

- 60 minutes, up to 10 presenters
- Due to meeting space availability, each group will be limited to one accepted presentation
- The leadership of each organization may select and invite the presenters
- Each session is 60 minutes long and is held during the regular session hours

Partnership Proposal Requirements

- Title: 12 words
- List of presenters
- Overview: 50 words
- Proposal text: 750 words or less

Invited session presenters are subject to the 2020 APM Accepted Presenter Compliance Policy as are those for the peer-reviewed presenters.

Proposal Structure

Proposals will be composed of a title, overview, proposal, references, and learning objectives. You will be able to copy and paste this information from another document.

Text limits for these proposal components follow below:

- Title: 12 words
- Overview: 50 words
- Learning Objectives: up to three, up to 50 words each. At least one objective is required.
- Proposal Text: 750 words, including citations.
- References: 500 words (bibliographies should not be submitted with proposals).