



2010 EFERMA CONFERENCE: CALL FOR PAPERS AND PROPOSALS

Participation is invited for the 2010 conference in the following forms: i) refereed papers, ii) refereed posters, iii) educational resource exchanges, iv) symposia/workshops, and iv) research in progress. EFERMA papers, presentations, and posters cover the areas of **family economics, family resource management, consumer decision-making, consumer economics, consumer policy, personal finance**, and related issues.

Presenters are strongly encouraged to present work that may be in relatively early stages. In each session the aim will be to provide a constructive environment for the development of research and education programs. Students, both undergraduate and graduate, are encouraged to submit in any of the following areas and can expect an environment supportive to their creative works.

The **deadline for submissions of all types will be September 25, 2009**, so please mark your calendars and make an effort to be involved.

Refereed Papers:

Submissions may be conceptual, research-based, policy-oriented, or educational. Accepted papers will be presented at the conference in a 15-20 minute presentation in a session with 2 or 3 other papers. Every effort will be made to match a qualified discussant with each paper, increasing the likelihood that you will receive quality feedback on your research. Authors will have the option to publish their papers, or a detailed abstract, in the conference proceedings. Papers can be submitted by following the guidelines below.

Refereed Posters:

Submissions may be conceptual, research-based, policy-oriented, or educational. A brief abstract describing your poster should be submitted by the deadline and follow the guidelines and procedures outlined below. Accepted posters will be presented during an hour-long session. At the conference your poster should contain author contact information, a very brief abstract, statement of the problem or motivation, brief discussion of methods, pertinent data and facts about your research or program, and conclusions. Handouts with supplementary information are recommended. Authors will have the option to publish their abstract in the conference proceedings.

Educational Program Resource Exchanges:

Proposals describing family and consumer education programs are requested for presentation at the conference. Presentations may cover program design and evaluation, educational materials, teaching approaches, or related education efforts. Proposals should describe the topic, purpose, content, and format of the presentation in a detailed abstract. The time required for presentation should also be included on the title page of the proposal. Authors will have the option to publish their abstract in the conference proceedings. The submission guidelines below should be followed.

Symposia/Workshops:

Symposia are organized discussions by experts on specific topics. The organizer of the symposium will chair the session and set the agenda. A panel discussion or series of paper presentations will all lead to joint conclusions and implications for policy, research, or instruction. A *workshop* is a training session where participants will develop specific skills related to policy, research, and/or instruction. Proposals describing the symposia or workshop can be in abstract form. Symposia and workshops should be 60-75 minutes in length. Symposia participants will have the option to publish their papers in the proceedings. An abstract summarizing the workshop can also be published in the conference proceedings.

Research in Progress and Programs in Construction:

Outlines and detailed abstracts describing research projects or education programs in the development stage are encouraged. Similar research and programs will be matched in approximately one-hour breakout sessions to encourage discussion supportive to the research and development process. Work at almost any stage of development is appropriate. The sessions will not be included in the proceedings.

General Submission Guidelines:

1. All submissions are blind peer reviewed (except *Research in Progress*).
2. No individual may present more than twice, including posters.
3. Electronic submission is encouraged. MSWord is the preferred format for electronic submissions. If hard copy is sent, three (3) copies and the file on disk are requested.
4. Please include two separate word documents with your submission. The first document should consist of a title page only, and should include the title of the submission, type of submission (research paper, poster, ...), author name(s), title, affiliation, mailing address, e-mail, phone, fax, at least 3 keywords, and clear indication of the contact author. The second document should consist of the rest of the submission and should contain no identifying information. The title of submission should appear on the top of the first page of the second document.
5. Submission should be formatted on 8 ½ x 11-inch paper and prepared according to the most recent APA Guidelines.
6. For research papers, include an abstract on the first page of the article not exceeding 100 words.
7. Upon acceptance, authors will receive further instructions to prepare a camera-ready copy of their work for inclusion in the proceedings, which are to be distributed at the conference.
8. Acceptance of submissions implies agreement to attend the conference for presentation of the work.
9. Send to Carswell@uga.edu or Andrew Carswell, 109 Dawson Hall, University of Georgia, Athens, GA, 30602.