2022 National Environment and Recreation Research Symposium (NERR)
Annapolis, Maryland
April 3-5, 2022

Call for Presentation Abstracts

The National Environment and Recreation Research Association (NERRA) invites you to submit abstracts for presentations to the 2022 NERR Symposium that focus on the breadth of topical areas in recreation, tourism and the environment. NERR offers an unparalleled opportunity for individuals representing the governmental, educational, private, and non-profit sectors to share research findings, management experiences and techniques, and to advance knowledge in recreation and tourism management.

Location and Venue: The Graduate Annapolis Hotel (former Loews Hotel) in historic Annapolis, Maryland. Discount lodging is based on established government per-diem rates. Access is convenient through Washington DC and Baltimore MD area airports, with BWI only 30 minutes driving time to Annapolis.

COVID Protocols: NERRA remains dedicated to providing a safe, in-person conference experience for its 2022 symposium attendees. COVID-19 protocols will be implemented as needed to comply with CDC and local jurisdiction guidelines. Stay tuned for more information regarding conference protocols as we get closer to the conference dates!

Important Dates:
Oct. 29, 2021: Deadline for submission of abstracts and scholarship applications.
March 1, 2022: Deadline for early bird conference registration.
April 1, 2022: Deadline for conference registration online.
Apr. 3-5, 2022: NERR Symposium

Detailed conference information can be found at the conference website (www.NERRSymposium.org).

Types of Sessions:
1. Traditional Research Presentations: 15-minute oral presentations with 5-minute Q&A, grouped by topic.
2. Poster Presentations: Posters will be presented on Sunday evening, April 3, 2022.
3. Roundtable Sessions: 60- to 90-minute workshop sessions focusing on applied or theoretical research or resource management issues.
Conference Topics: Topics for Oral Presentations, Posters and Roundtable Sessions include, but are not limited to:

- Natural resource management
- Environmental quality
- Outdoor and adventure recreation
- Management applications
- Historical/cultural resource management
- Emerging and existing trends
- Human dimensions of natural resources
- Eco- and nature-based tourism
- Niche or specialized travel and tourism
- Physical activity, health, and well-being
- Climate change and recreation
- COVID-19 and recreation/tourism
- Measurement and forecasting
- Methodological and theoretical development
- Urban parks and recreation
- Sustainable tourism development
- Park/recreation/tourism/community planning
- Policy development

Abstract Submission: Abstracts should be emailed as one single MS Word document to the NERR Conference Chair: Diane Kuehn, Associate Professor, SUNY ESF (dmkuehn@esf.edu).

NOTE: For those who had submitted an abstract for the cancelled 2020 NERR Symposium, you are welcome to resubmit your abstract for the 2022 conference; an expedited review process will be used for all accepted 2020 NERR abstracts

Submission Guidelines:
- Page 1: Title, authors’ names and affiliations, type of presentation (e.g., oral presentation, poster).
- Page 2: Title, abstract (maximum 500 words), plus references (APA style).
- Please include “NERR abstract submission” in the email subject.
- Deadline for abstract submission: **Oct. 29, 2021**
- Notice of abstract acceptance: **Dec. 17, 2021**

*Note:* The conference Chair will acknowledge the receipt of the abstract submission within three business days.

Student Scholarships: As in past years, the 2022 NERR Symposium is proud to announce a limited number of scholarships for graduate and undergraduate students. The NERR Symposium student scholarships have provided numerous young scholars an opportunity to present their academic works and broaden their views on the academic circle and practitioner world. The scholarships will cover the registration fee for the Symposium. Under-represented minority and international students are strongly encouraged to apply.

Scholarship Application Materials: The following two items are required to apply:
1. A one-page cover letter describing how the NERR Symposium will enhance student’s academic and professional interests. Applicants may also include information on past contributions and involvement with NERR in this letter.
2. A letter of recommendation from one faculty member.

Scholarship Application Procedures:
- Interested students should email the cover and recommendation letters (as 2 attached PDF files) to the NERR Conference Chair: Diane Kuehn (dmkuehn@esf.edu).
- Please include the student’s name in each file name (e.g., Smith_cover; Smith_faculty letter).
- Deadline for scholarship applications: **Oct. 29, 2021.**
- Notice of scholarship awards: **Dec. 17, 2021.**