

CALL FOR PAPERS

The conference seeks to focus on a broad range of contemporary topics relevant to research, education, and industry practices in hospitality, tourism, and related fields of study. Presentation proposals are solicited, and the lead author must be a graduate student or an undergraduate honors student who completed the study. Papers received will undergo a blind review process and should be designated for one of the following tracks:

TRACK 1 Formal Paper: Contemporary Research In Hospitality & Tourism — The primary objective of this track is to provide a forum for reporting "state-of-the-art" research in hospitality and tourism, and focuses on innovative developments in concepts, models, theories, and/or research methods. This track invites papers based on completed research studies by undergraduate honors students, and graduate students in either master's or doctoral programs. Papers based on completed master's theses, doctoral dissertations, honors-in-the major or class projects would fall into this category.

Accepted papers in this category will be eligible for the "Best Conference Paper Awards". To be selected, the paper must have a solid demonstration of proper research design, notable data collection, advanced levels of relevant data analyses, comprehensive literature review preceding the study, and exhibit a possible solution to real world problems.

Track 2 Poster: Research In Progress — The intent of this track is to encourage presentation of research projects that are not completed but might be of significant interest to the research community. Both conceptually- and empirically-based papers on "research in progress" would fall into this category. A paper strictly based on a "research idea" or "literature review" may not be suitable for this track. For those graduate students who wish to present a paper based on their research proposals for master's theses or doctoral dissertations and undergraduate honors research, it is expected that the paper presents significant theoretical or conceptual developments, research propositions or hypotheses, and/or a data analysis plan.

Important Deadlines

September 15, 2007 – 1,000 words maximum excluding the references are due by 12 PM

October 15, 2007 – Notification of acceptance

November 17, 2007 – Full paper is due

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