



Midwestern Association of Graduate Schools

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Call for Papers
77th Annual Meeting
Double Tree by Hilton, Chicago – Magnificent Mile
March 24-26, 2021

Rising to the Challenge: Strengthening Graduate Education During Uncertain Times

MAGS members are invited to submit abstracts for contributed sessions for the 77th Annual Meeting taking place on March 24-26, 2021. The outbreak of COVID-19 has created unprecedented challenges to the operations of colleges and universities. The pandemic has impacted various facets that include but not only limited to instructional delivery, enrollment management, research and creative scholarship productivity, financial aid and scholarships, and graduate assistantships. Despite these short- and long-term challenges, institutions have adapted and have made reasonable accommodations to mitigate the challenges and ensure student success. The graduate education enterprise has served the nation well and the conference will provide opportunities for leaders in graduate education to highlight opportunities to strengthen graduate education during these uncertain times. Abstracts for sessions pertaining to this theme and other topical issues impacting graduate education are encouraged.

If you are interested in presenting, or co-presenting a session, please submit an abstract to: Ranjit T. Koodali, Chair MAGS 2021 Conference at magsconferences@gmail.com that includes:

1. A description, in no more than 300 words, of the proposed session.
2. An abstract of no more than 50 words for inclusion in the program should the session be accepted.
3. Contact Information:
 - a. Name, affiliation, email, telephone number of member proposing the sessionⁱ
 - b. Name, affiliation, email, telephone number of other presenter(s)ⁱⁱ
4. Priority Deadline for consideration is Wednesday, September 30, 2020.
 - a. Abstracts will be reviewed by the Executive Committee
5. Notification of Acceptance will be sent by Saturday, October 31, 2020.

Please know that although we cannot guarantee anything at this point, the Executive Committee will be working proactively to ensure that MAGS 2021 goes forward whether in-person/traditional, virtual, or some sort of combination.

ⁱ All presenters must register for the 2021 MAGS Annual Meeting.

ⁱⁱ Individuals proposing sessions are responsible for contacting co-presenters and ensuring all presenters agree to participate.