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IACS 2020 - Call for Papers & Panels Summit on Communication and Sport April 2-5 in St. Petersburg, FL. Hosted by IACS

We invite you to consider presenting at the 2020 Summit on Communication and Sport. The International Association for Communication and Sport (IACS) Summit is the only stand-alone conference for communication researchers interested in exploring sport from diverse critical, methodological, and multi-disciplinary perspectives. The Summit on Communication and Sport welcomes submissions from all methodological and theoretical perspectives.

The 2020 conference theme is “Communication and Sport - 2020+” We encourage you to submit papers that confirm, question, or critique the role of communication and sport on the horizon of a new decade. Multiple perspectives are welcome.

Submission Deadline: *12:00 Midnight (US Eastern Time) on Friday, October 25, 2019****

- **Evaluation:** All submissions will be evaluated through a blind peer review process.
- **Decision Deadline:** Author(s) of accepted submissions will receive email notification no later than Friday, December 15, 2019.
- **Author Limits:** A maximum of two (2) first-authored submissions from a single author will be considered for presentation. First authors will be used for paneling purposes and are required to lead the presentation of the work.
- **Panel Information:** Research and panel sessions are one hour and fifteen minutes long. Research sessions will be constructed to allow for at least 15 minutes of discussion following the presentations.
- Scholars interested in submitting to the 2020 Summit have two options: (1) an extended abstract submission; or (2) a panel discussion submission.

Submission Guidelines

All papers must be original and not simultaneously submitted to another journal or conference. Please submit to: <https://easychair.org/conferences/?conf=iacs2020>



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The following paper categories are welcome:

- **Abstract submissions** may not exceed **500 words** (excluding references) in length and should be prepared for blind review (clear of any identifying information about the author(s)).
- **Panel discussions** must focus on an interactive discussion format, with a clearly defined theme. Submissions must include a title, a description of up to **250 words** explaining the focus and rationale, and a list of all panelists' institutional or professional affiliation.
- **Top Student Paper:** IACS will recognize the Top Student Paper submitted to the Summit. For award consideration, a full-length manuscript must be submitted to the review committee by **Thursday, February 27th, 2020**. Students may submit an abstract of their work at the October deadline (and this is highly encouraged) though this will not be a requirement. Recognition of Top Student Paper will be determined by blind review of the submission.
- **Review Information:** There is only one extended abstract submission - there will not be separate review criteria for works-in-progress and completed papers. All should be submitted as extended abstracts and will be judged using the same criteria.
- Reviewers will be selected from self-nomination through the submission process. Reviewers must have at minimum a completed Master's degree in a field associated with the focus of IACS. Reviewers must identify their area of reviewing expertise (quantitative methodology, qualitative methodology, mixed methods, rhetorical/critical).
- All research submissions will be reviewed based on the following criteria:
 - Clarity of thesis; definition of problem
 - Theoretical perspective
 - Background; review of the literature
 - Research questions/hypotheses or qualitative/rhetorical argument
 - Appropriateness of methodology
- **Submission Agreement** By submitting an abstract or panel to the 2020 Summit on Communication and Sport, you understand that your submission enters you into an obligation to attend the Summit. At least one author listed on the paper must attend the Summit.



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If you cannot be there to present, it is your responsibility to secure one of your other authors to present your work. Please be conscientious that last minute cancellations prevent others from being invited to the Summit to present their work.

List of Topics

- Qualitative Research
- Quantitative Research
- Mixed Methods
- Rhetorical/Critical

Program Committee

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