

#CMRS2022 Virtual Conference

Session Descriptions & Proposal Requirements

PROPOSAL REQUIREMENTS

Proposal topics are not limited to the theme “Ancestral Futurisms: Embodying Multiracialities Past, Present, and Future.” Successful proposals will engage topics that promote critical thought and debate around issues pertaining to multiraciality. In line with the CMRS mission statement, the Program Committee is especially interested in presentations and performances that ultimately work to undo local and global systemic injustice rooted in systems of racism and White supremacy. Each proposal submitted for consideration must have the following criteria:

Basic information about each presenter

Name, pronouns, contact information (phone, email), bio (limit to 50 words), professional affiliation.

Proposal

Each proposal will have a brief abstract and a description/summary according to the criteria below. In order to ensure that each proposal is reviewed and evaluated anonymously, make sure to remove any identifying information from the abstract and the description/rationale.

1. **Title:** Title of the proposal.
2. **Abstract:** 100 words. This is an overview of the presentation(s) that introduces the topic and foci in a succinct and accessible manner. For panel proposals, the abstract establishes how all of the presentations coalesce under a common theme. If your proposal is accepted for presentation at the conference, this abstract will be published in the conference program and available for all attendees to view.
3. **Description/Summary:**
 - **For Lightning presentation proposal submissions:** 250 words (including references). The description/summary should explain the purpose and main objective(s) of the proposal and address how the topic/question/issue relates to the conference theme and/or advances the field of CMRS. It should be in line with the CMRS mission statement.
 - **For Workshop proposal submissions:** 500 words (including references). The description/summary should explain the purpose and main objective(s) of the proposal and address how the topic/question/issue relates to the conference theme and/or advances the field of CMRS. It should be in line with the CMRS mission statement.
 - **For Panel proposal submissions:** 1000 words (including individual presentation/paper titles and references). The panel summary should explain the purpose and main objective(s) of the panelists’ topics/questions/issues, including how they relate to the conference theme and/or advance the field of CMRS. It should be in line with the CMRS mission statement. Finally, the panel summary should list the title of each presentation followed by a 2-3 sentence description for each panelist’s presentation. In order to ensure that each proposal is reviewed and evaluated anonymously, make sure to remove any identifying information from the summary (e.g., identify separate presentations by “Panelist 1” or “Panelist 2”). *Please note there can only be 3 or 4 panelists per panel.*

Other requirements

- **Registration:** Those who have a proposal accepted must register for the conference to be included in the conference program.
- **Accessibility requests (if needed):** Please list any accessibility accommodations you may require.

PROPOSAL EVALUATION CRITERIA

A successful proposal will demonstrate the following:

- Relevance of topic to CMRS conference theme or the field of CMRS
- Clarity and focus of inquiry
- Significance to the field of CMRS
- In line with the CMRS mission statement

SUBMISSION FORMATS

All session times are set at **60 minutes**, in an effort to reduce the effects of Zoom fatigue. This includes a 5 minute introduction by the moderator, 5-7 minutes per presenter, and 20 minutes for Q&A discussion. All Zoom sessions will allow for screen-sharing of visual presentations. Please be aware that all zoom sessions will be recorded and available to registrants for up to 10 days.

Lightning presentations are very short 5-7 min presentations meant to spark new conversations and collaborations across disciplines and professions. We encourage all types of submissions that will engage academics, students, artists, activists and clinicians with each other when possible. Lightning presentations are submitted as individual proposals that if accepted will be organized into a session of 4 or 5 presenters.

Panels provide an opportunity for examining a specific problem or topic from a variety of perspectives provided by 3 but no more than 4 presenters who collectively submit a single proposal. Each presenter has approximately 5 to 7 minutes to present, leaving 20 minutes of audience discussion after all have presented. An outside person or one of the presenters must function as a moderator who introduces the speakers and keeps time.

Workshops provide an opportunity to exchange information or work on a common problem, project, or shared interest. Workshops offer opportunities for engaged introductions to new developments in the field and participatory discussion of current ideas and practices. We encourage all types of submissions that will engage academics, students, artists, activists and clinicians with each other when possible. Successful workshop proposals articulate learning goals for the workshop and means for participants to achieve them.

For those who submitted proposals last year, we invite you to resubmit in our new format.

To submit a proposal go to:

<https://cmrs2022.dryfta.com/>