



74th

Plains Anthropological Conference

Call for Papers

The Plains Anthropological Society promotes the study of the peoples and cultures of the North American Great Plains, and encourages the exchange of ideas and information at its annual Plains Anthropological Conference, to be held October 12-15, 2016, in Lincoln, Nebraska. Papers, posters, and organized sessions are invited on topics related to Anthropology on the Great Plains, including physical, cultural, archaeological and linguistic subject matter. Traditional formats of papers, posters, and symposia are anticipated, but interactive and digital formats are also welcomed. Contact conference organizers to discuss ideas.

Note: Presenters at the 2016 Plains Conference should be current members of the Plains Anthropological Society and are required to register for the conference prior to submission of their title and abstract. Each presentation must be submitted through the Abstract Submission portal.

Symposia

Both half-day and full-day symposia highlighting a particular aspect of anthropology are encouraged. In order to allow preliminary planning and collaboration, individual symposium organizers are asked to email symposium proposals four weeks prior (August 21) to the general presentation submission deadline (September 18). Please note that individual papers and posters, given within organized symposia, must adhere to format requirements for all posters and papers. Posters may be no larger than 48" x 96," and papers will be 15 minutes in length. Other symposium formats (e.g., digital sessions) may be discussed with conference organizers. Session organizers must ensure that individual presentations are submitted by the final deadline. Symposia with incomplete submission packages will not be accepted after the final deadline.

Symposium proposals due August 21:

- via email to plainsconference2016@gmail.com:
- session organizer/s
- symposium title
- abstract (200 words maximum)
- anticipated length (full- or half-day)
- format, if known (poster, paper, other)
- any questions or special requests

Completed symposium packages due September 18:

Symposium organizers provide via email to plainsconference2016@gmail.com:

- symposium title
- symposium abstract (200 words or less)
- names of any panel discussants not giving papers
- three keywords
- half- or full day
- format (required)

Participating authors provide via Abstract Submission portal:

- presentation title
- presentation abstract (150 words maximum)

- co-authors, if any
- three keywords
- symposium title and organizer

General session papers – submissions due September 18, 2016

Authors are invited to contribute individual papers for presentation in general thematic sessions. Paper presentations are limited to 15 minutes. Individual paper author(s) will need to submit the following information via the Abstract Submission portal by September 18.

- title
- abstract (150 words or less)
- author(s) names and affiliations
- three keywords

General session posters – submissions due September 18, 2016

Posters should be no larger than 48" x 96" in size. Bulletin boards will be provided by the conference. Each presenter will be responsible for putting up and taking down their poster, and should plan to be present for the majority of their assigned session. Author(s) will need to submit the following information via the Abstract Submission portal by September 18.

- title
- abstract (150 words or less)
- author(s) names and affiliations
- three keywords

Student Presentation Competitions

We anticipate another excellent crop of student presentations this year. Students are encouraged to submit a paper on a research topic of their choice. Remember to check the box for the Student Paper Competition when submitting your abstract. Contact Laura Scheiber (scheiber@indiana.edu) if you have questions regarding the Student Paper Award. The winner(s) will be announced at the conference banquet on Friday, October 14th.

NEW THIS YEAR: Student Poster Award. More information will be posted as it becomes available. Contact Delaney Cooley (delaney-cooley@ou.edu) for more information.

Projectors, Media, and Wi-Fi

Microsoft Power Point compatible projectors will be available in each breakout room. Please plan to provide your session organizer or leader with a USB compatible flash drive with a copy of your Power Point presentation for loading onto the session computer. Session computers will be PCs, so presentations created on Mac computers may need to be converted to be viewable. Testing compatibility ahead of time is highly recommended. Wi-Fi is available in the hotel, however, participants should use caution when utilizing Wi-Fi for presentations as it may be unreliable and is not guaranteed to work.

General Conference Email

For general conference questions, information, or assistance please send an email to plainsconference2016@gmail.com.