

## **AEJMC 2023 Conference Paper Call** ***Mass Communication and Society Division***

The Mass Communication and Society Division seeks research paper submissions from both faculty and students for the 2023 AEJMC annual conference in Washington, D.C. Submissions to the Mass Communication and Society Division can be on any topic that advances mass communication theory, especially at the societal or macrosocial level. The Division accepts research submissions from a variety of theoretical and methodological perspectives as well as research that draws heavily from other disciplines, including sociology, psychology, anthropology, law and history. Papers should be submitted to only one competitive paper category in the division: 1) Open Competition, 2) Student Competition, or 3) Moeller Student Paper Competition (<https://aejmc.us/mcs/awards/research-awards/top-paper-awards/>). Papers must not be under consideration elsewhere for presentation or publication.

**Submission Deadline:** April 1, 2023

**2023 All-Academic Submission Link:** <https://convention2.allacademic.com/one/aejmc/aejmc23/>

**AEJMC 2023 Annual In-Person Conference:**

Marriott Marquis Washington, D.C.

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### **Submission Procedures**

Individual paper submissions should not exceed **30-double-spaced** pages (count and format include main text, notes, references, tables, and figures **but not the title and abstract pages**). All material for full papers and extended abstracts must be double-spaced. **Double-space** all material, including title page, abstract, text, quotations, acknowledgments, references, appendices, tables, figure captions and footnotes. **All papers must be submitted in Word or PDF format** through the All-Academic link on the AEJMC website ([www.aejmc.org](http://www.aejmc.org)) to the Division. Papers should follow the Publication Manual of the American Psychological Association (7th ed.), have 1-inch margins, and use 12-point Times New Roman, Times or Arial font. Abstracts must be no more than 75 words. The title should be on the first page with page numbers and running heads on each page of text. Hard copy or electronic version of papers submitted individually to the Research Committee will **NOT** be accepted.

**Author-identifying information** MUST NOT appear anywhere in the attached paper file.

Identifying information includes (1) listing of authors' names and/or affiliations, (2) references to authors' previous work in a way that reveals authorship of the current work, (3) keeping author-identifying information within the text, in headers, or within the embedded electronic file properties and (4) links to authors' websites, email addresses, or social media accounts.

The **inclusion of identifying information will result in automatic disqualification of the paper** (please review the instructions on the AEJMC website for stripping identifying information from the electronic file properties). Authors are solely responsible for checking the final uploaded version of their paper for any and all author-identifying information.

All paper submitters are strongly encouraged to submit at least a day or two before the deadline so they can check to make sure that the uploaded document does not contain any self-identifying information in its properties, as can happen sometimes via “save as pdf” or as a result of some other technical issues. **An early submission will allow all submitters to fully check submissions as they are entered into the system so that a resubmission prior to the deadline is possible.** Submitters should download a PDF version of their paper submissions from the All-Academic system and verify that self-identifying information has been successfully removed from the document’s properties. This will need to be done **EACH** time you submit your paper to All-Academic.

***Authorship:*** When submitting co-authored papers, permission to submit the paper should be sought and obtained from all authors on the paper prior to submission. Paper authorship cannot be added, deleted, or changed after review of the paper.

***Two-Paper Limit:*** In any one year, an individual can appear as author or co-author on a maximum of two (2) submitted research papers and/or extended abstracts to the Division. If one individual appears as author or co-author on more than two (2) submitted research papers and/or extended abstracts, the Division Research Committee has the right to disqualify the third or more submitted paper/abstract.

***Author Information:*** Completely fill out the online submission form with author(s) name, affiliation, mailing address, telephone number and email address. All authors and co-authors, their institutional affiliations and contact information must be included WHEN REGISTERING on the paper submission system. If there are three co-authors, for example, information about all three must be included in the registration.

**Authors are responsible for following the guidelines for paper submissions outlined in the AEJMC Uniform Paper Call and additional Division’s guidelines listed in this call. For questions, please contact Chair: Terri Hernandez ([thernandez@comm.msstate.edu](mailto:thernandez@comm.msstate.edu)) and Ruoxu Wang ([rwang4@memphis.edu](mailto:rwang4@memphis.edu)).**

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### **Top Paper Awards**

To acknowledge research excellence, the MCS Division provides cash awards and waives one AEJMC conference registration fee for the top three winners in each research paper competition (Open, Student, Moeller). All MCS research submissions, regardless of faculty or student authorship, are judged together as general papers. However, the top papers in the Open and Student categories are recognized separately. At least one author of each winning paper is asked to attend the MCS Awards Luncheon to receive their awards. For a list of past Top Paper Awards, please visit <https://aejmc.us/mcs/awards/research-awards/top-paper-awards/>

***Student Competition:*** Graduate and undergraduate students are invited to submit original research regarding any topic related to mass communication and society. For a paper to be considered for a student paper award, **all** of the coauthors must be students. The paper must be correctly submitted to the Student Competition category online. **Papers submitted**

**for the Student Competition must clearly note the competition on the title page.** A faculty member as co-author automatically moves the paper to the Open Competition.

***Moeller Student Paper Competition:*** Students who submit a paper written for a class during the previous year are eligible for the Mass Communication and Society Moeller Student Paper Competition. **Moeller Competition papers must be nominated by the faculty member who taught the class.** To nominate a student paper, faculty should send an email verifying that the paper was completed for a class to the Division Research Committee. **Papers submitted for the Moeller Competition must clearly note the competition on the title page.** Please remember that the Moeller Competition is separate from our Student Paper Competition. The paper must be correctly submitted to the Moeller Competition category online.

***Open Competition:*** All other papers submitted to the Division will be reviewed in the Open Competition.

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### **Presentation Obligation**

At least one author of an accepted faculty paper must attend the conference to present the paper. If student authors cannot be present, they must make arrangements for the paper to be presented by someone else. Failure to be present or provide a presenter for any paper will result in author(s) losing eligibility to submit to the division for one year. The author(s) will also not be eligible to count that presentation on his/her vita. Authors of accepted papers are required to forward papers to discussants and moderators prior to the conference.

**For questions, please contact Chair: Terri Hernandez ([thernandez@comm.msstate.edu](mailto:thernandez@comm.msstate.edu)) and Ruoxu Wang ([rwang4@memphis.edu](mailto:rwang4@memphis.edu)).**