16th Annual BGSU/OSU Graduate Student Conference on Population

Dear BGSU & OSU graduate students, faculty, and CFDR & IPR affiliates,

We hope that your new academic year is off to a safe and good start! Please save the date for the 16th Annual BGSU/OSU Graduate Student Conference on Population. The conference will be held in-person on Monday, Nov. 7th and hosted by Bowling Green State University’s Center for Family and Demographic Research (CFDR) in conjunction with the Ohio State University’s Institute for Population Research (IPR).

We welcome and encourage paper submissions in population-related topics from graduate students in all departments and disciplines. All are welcome to attend, even if you do not have a paper to submit currently. This conference is a wonderful opportunity to engage in academic discussions with students and faculty in a low stakes setting. OSU IPR will be putting together carpools and will reimburse drivers for gas and parking.

If you have a thesis or a paper in progress, please consider submitting it! This conference is an excellent opportunity to develop your work by exchanging ideas and perspectives with both BGSU and OSU students and faculty. Prospective participants will have a chance to submit their research for presentation at either an oral session OR a roundtable.

Students who would like to submit for an oral session should submit either:
- An extended abstract (3-4 pages that include an abstract, literature review, methods, and at least preliminary findings) or
- A full paper.

Roundtables will consist of short, informal oral presentations, providing a one-page handout to the audience at a table, followed by a Q&A and group discussion. These sessions are particularly beneficial for smaller projects or projects at early stages of development. Each roundtable will have a graduate student as a chair.

Students who would like to participate in a roundtable should submit:
- An extended abstract (3-4 pages that include an abstract, literature review, and methods section). We recommend that students who have working papers with preliminary findings submit for an oral session.

We are also looking for session chairs. Session chairs will be assigned to each session based on their similar research expertise. They will run their sessions by:
- Keeping time
- Introducing each scholar
- Facilitating discussion
If you are interested in attending or presenting in the conference, please fill out the BGSU/OSU Conference Registration and Survey so we can get an accurate headcount. For submissions, please email your paper/abstract to Cjulian@bgsu.edu with subject line “BGSU/OSU Conference Submission” and the type of submission in the body of the email (in addition to filling out the survey).

The deadline for submissions is Friday, Sept. 30th, by 11:59 PM EST. Participants will be notified if their paper was accepted by Oct. 7th and what section and time they will be presenting by Oct. 14th.

We look forward to seeing your submissions and seeing everyone in Bowling Green!

If you have any questions, please contact this year’s student organizers:

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