



Association of Collegiate Schools of Planning 50th Anniversary Annual Conference 2009

Call for Papers

Reinvesting in America: The New Metropolitan Planning Agenda

Metropolitan issues came to the forefront in 2008 as the nation elected its first “urban” president in decades. Metropolitan areas, even many exurbs, strongly favored the Democratic candidate Barack Obama. Now President Obama promises a new metropolitan agenda complete with a just-created Office of Urban Policy. The administration also pushed for a significant reinvestment in all types of infrastructure ranging from traditional public works projects to cutting-edge green technologies.

The political environment in Washington may be the most favorable for planners since the Great Society era of the 1960s. It is timely that we recognize the 50th anniversary of ACSP at a moment when planning is once again on the rise and that we meet in the nation’s capital at a moment of expanding federal support. The main target for the nation’s rebuilding is its metropolitan areas, which are home to over 4 in 5 Americans. Even ahead of the 2008 election, it was evident that the traditional urban/suburban divide was fading and that a new convergence of interests had galvanized around major infrastructure investments such as light rail. Many regions developed new transit systems despite a lack of significant help from Washington. Imagine what is possible with a federal partner that provides leadership and funding on transit improvements on a larger scale.

The new metropolitan planning agenda is based on the idea that urbanizing suburbs now have an increasingly larger stake in traditional city-like investment that create denser and more sustainable built environments. This emergent coalition now finds an accommodating federal government that seeks to better integrate metropolitan planning and investment. We are a metropolitan nation with serious deficiencies in the basic infrastructure needed for efficient and eco-friendly living. Perhaps by 2059, when ACSP celebrates its centennial, the actions taken by this generation will have addressed the key planning challenges now facing America.

The 2009 annual ACSP conference will address the myriad ways that planning can capitalize on the new opportunities an Obama administration offers. We encourage papers that open a dialog on research, practice, and education in the following broad themes:

- “Shovel-ready” public works opportunities and strategies to guide longer-term federal initiatives for metropolitan areas and communities
- Efficient and renewable energy policies and cutting-edge green technologies and infrastructure for communities
- New visions for a more sustainable mid 21st century U.S. society that can mitigate and adapt to climate change
- Economic development policies that benefit from transit investment
- Rethinking sustainable transportation priorities
- New housing finance strategies that ease the credit crisis
- Educational and planning challenges for an increasingly multicultural society
- The links between U.S. metropolitan areas to the global network of world cities
- Reinvestment in education and educational facilities
- Innovative entrepreneurial regional economies
- 100 years of planning history: Where we have come from
- Policies to attract and retain artistic and creative economies
- New investment in science and technology
- Transformative planning in the globally connected and multicultural metropolis for the next 100 years



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WEB SITE OPEN FOR SUBMISSIONS:	Friday, January 30th, 2009
ABSTRACT SUBMISSION DEADLINE:	Sunday, March 15th, 2009 11:59p.m. U.S. EASTERN STANDARD TIME

The Conference Committee of the Association of Collegiate Schools of Planning and the Local Host Committee at **Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University, University of Virginia and Virginia Commonwealth University** cordially invite proposals for individual papers, complete pre-organized sessions, roundtable discussions and poster presentations for the annual conference of the Association. The invitation is extended to faculty and students of ACSP member programs and to scholars and scholarly practitioners outside the ACSP family who are concerned with planning cities and regions.

Conference Theme: We particularly encourage abstracts that relate to the conference theme "Reinvesting in America: The New Metropolitan Planning Agenda." Track chairs have been encouraged to create a session or two from papers within their track that is focused on the theme. If applicable to your paper, use the key word step of the on-line abstract submission process to indicate your abstract's possible inclusion. Simply type the word "theme" in one of the boxes.

Review: Papers will be reviewed by track chairs and anonymous readers. Proposals will either be rejected or accepted, however, there may be a short period during which some authors may be invited to revise and resubmit their work for reconsideration with acceptance based on meeting published deadlines and a second review of the proposal. This decision is left to the individual track chair. Track chairs are particularly interested in formal paper sessions and perhaps informal roundtables that assess and synthesize the state of knowledge, revisit "classic" works, and review major new studies. If you expect to propose such a session, please discuss your scheme with the appropriate track chairs.

Paper and Travel Awards: There are faculty and student paper awards bestowed to authors during the conference. There are also student travel awards available. All ACSP participants are eligible for these awards and those interested will find submission criteria and other details at www.acsp.org.

The Fate of your Abstract Submission: Whether accepted or rejected, you should expect to receive constructive comments by the review committee. Disagreements with these comments should be addressed to the appropriate track chair for discussion. Many excellent proposals are rejected due to lack of time and space on the final conference agenda for sessions.

Multiple abstract submissions on behalf of one author will be reviewed and may possibly be accepted. However, more than one presentation of a formal paper and more than one appearance as a roundtable participant during the conference will not be allowed. Read more in *Multiple Program Placements* below.

Multiple Program Placements: Participants on the final program will be limited to: one presentation of an individual paper whether in a formal paper session or involved in a pre-organized formal paper session; one placement on a roundtable panel; one placement as a discussant of a formal paper session. These roles are not interchangeable. If you have more than one submitted paper abstract accepted and are invited to participate on more than one accepted roundtable, in fairness to everyone, we will ask you to limit your participation.

Book of Abstracts: Proofread your Abstract for Publication while on-line. Accepted abstracts will be posted at the ACSP website, so it is important that references are complete, names are spelled properly, and the text is proof-read. Further instructions for this will be available at www.acsp.org and within the COS instructional pages in January, 2009. We will not edit your submission and there will not be an opportunity for you to proof read your work after submission/before publication.

Posters: Poster sessions economize on space and are a particularly effective way of presenting ideas that call for review of graphic materials, a brief but dense text, or a sequence of equations. Posters will be easily accessible throughout the conference and time will be allotted for authors to be present to answer questions and receive comments.

Discussants: Track Chairs may invite discussants for all sessions. We do, however, welcome suggestions for discussants proffered by authors and session organizers. If you are willing to act as discussant, please contact the appropriate track chair.

Pre-Organized Sessions: The conference committee characteristically respects the grouping of papers in pre-organized sessions but reserves the right to realign papers when it has all the proposals before it. Instructions for submitting a session in its entirety can be found at www.acsp.org. Please read the instructions before attempting to work within the abstract management system. The conference management office extends its assistance to submitting the session successfully into the web-based abstract management system.

Submission Requirements: Abstracts must be submitted to one and only one track. The tracks are listed at the end of this invitation. If you are not sure which track is most appropriate, we encourage you to seek the advice of chairs. If you think that any of the following requirements are inappropriate for your work, please provide other relevant information. Do not attach full bibliographies, reports, or full papers. Your abstract should be suitable for publication on-line without any further editing and contain the following information in 200 - 600 words:

- Central theme or hypothesis: what question are you trying to address?
- Approach and methodology: how will you address that question?
- Relevance of your work to planning education, practice, or scholarship
- Key data sources
- 3-5 major references to allow the track chair to place your work in its field.

Students: If you are a student, you **must** indicate whether or not your proposal is based on your doctoral dissertation, if so whether or not the dissertation proposal has been approved by your committee, and if so, whether the dissertation is completed, very near completion, at the data gathering stage or earlier. Include the name and e-mail address of your advisor or dissertation supervisor with your abstract. Guidelines for abstract submissions as well as what is acceptable as a final paper presentation can be found at www.acsp.org.

Scheduling Constraints: The ACSP recognizes teaching duties and religious holidays. The ACSP does not accept requests for scheduling changes after July 1, except in cases of emergency. Such requests must be made in writing. Submit your schedule request by email to the conference office. There is no guarantee the committee will be able to accommodate your request. Requests for accommodations other than teaching duties and religious holidays will be ignored.

Submission and Fees: You must submit your abstract using the online abstract management system available through the link at www.acsp.org. See "Conference Information" at the site. The required fee for **online submission is \$25** per abstract. The fee for proposals requiring assistance for submission from the conference management office is \$50 per abstract. The ACSP does not accept abstract submissions by fax or e-mail. The ACSP accepts personal or institution/company checks, purchase orders from your institution, or MasterCard or Visa. If payment for your abstract is not collected by the time the review process begins, your abstract will not be reviewed.

Key Words – provide at least one, but no more than five.

- **Theme Submissions** - Use a key word box at the abstract submission site to indicate your paper relates to the theme of the conference.
- **Award Paper Submissions** – May require specific keywords. See requirements for each award at www.acsp.org.

Track Information: The 2009 conference will be organized around fifteen tracks. Whether submitting online or by mail, you must indicate the track to which you are submitting the abstract. Many – perhaps most – topics cut across two tracks. If you are uncertain about the appropriate placement for your work, we encourage you to correspond with relevant track chairs before posting or mailing your abstract. Do not mail or email your final abstract submission directly to a track chair. It must be submitted through the web site.

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- 4) GENDER AND DIVERSITY IN PLANNING
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View "Conference Information" for abstract submission procedures at the ACSP website: www.acsp.org
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