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Second Call for Proposals: Scholarly Works in Progress

18th Biennial Conference

"Back to School"

July 11-14, 2018

Marquette University School of Law

Milwaukee, Wisconsin

Proposals Due: 11:59 p.m. (CST) Monday, March 5, 2018

We have a varied and exciting program in place for the 2018 Biennial Conference of the Legal Writing Institute. This Second Call for Proposals is aimed at filling a small number of spots reserved for presentations on scholarly works in progress.

The Program Committee anticipates grouping proposals selected into scholarship panels with a moderator. Each presenter would have fifteen to twenty minutes to discuss his/her work.

We especially encourage submissions from those who are new to our community or who may not often present at this Biennial or other conferences. If you are already part of an individual or panel presentation at this conference, you are not disqualified from submitting a proposal in response to this Second Call. Yet, the Committee has a strong preference for proposals from submitters who are not already part of the conference program. You are limited to one submission in response to this Second Call.

Basic Proposal Information

All proposals must be submitted using an online submission form available [here](#). To submit a proposal, you will need to create a log-on and password. When you submit the proposal, the submission program will prompt you to include the following information. Additional information about submitting a proposal is addressed below.

- 1- Name, email address, and affiliation;
- 2- 50-word biography;
- 3- Title of the presentation;
- 4- 300-word summary of proposal; and
- 6- Anticipated technology needs.

Selection Notification

You will be notified about the status of your proposal on or before Friday, March 23, 2018. If your presentation is selected, we will ask that you provide a photograph of yourself to accompany your biography on the conference app.

Presenters/Panelists

Although we assume that most submissions will be from one person, if you have a co-presenter, we will need some contact and biographical information about that person as well. To add a co-presenter, click on the “Add Co-Author” button during the submission process. You will then be prompted to provide the co-presenter’s name and email address. Please also provide his/her affiliation in the space for “company” as well as a 50-word biography.

Proposal Description

We ask that you submit a 300-word description of your proposal. If you believe that more information would aid the committee in its decision-making, you may upload a file containing the additional information.

Presentation Topics

The committee seeks a mix of presentations on any topic of scholarly interest to members of our community. Our conference theme is “Back to School,” which is meant to evoke that moment of anticipation and transition when students return to school at the beginning of a new year to reflect, set new goals, and commit to achieve them. Yet, this theme is not intended to be limiting. The committee is interested in including a broad range of scholarship. This might include applied legal storytelling, cognition, composition, cultural competency, perspectives of marginalized groups, professional identity development, rhetorical theory, or social-justice related issues. Scholarship on other topics is also welcome.

Technology

Please include your technology requirements as best as you can anticipate them. Keep in mind that some technology may be limited in certain law school spaces. The committee does not make program-selection decisions based on the technology needs of presenters, but such information is essential when planning the conference.

Marketing Prohibited

Although the committee welcomes proposals on any topic of interest to legal-writing faculty, a proposal will not be accepted if it appears to be a means to market a textbook or other for-pay product.

Mentors for Submissions and Presentations

If you are a first-time submitter or presenter and would like to talk through the process with a veteran, please contact Program Committee Members: Katrina June Lee (Ohio State), katrinalee@osu.edu, or Emily Zimmerman (Drexel), ebz23@drexel.edu.

Questions about Proposals and Submission

If you have any questions, please contact one of the Program Committee Co-Chairs: Erin Carroll (Georgetown), ecc66@georgetown.edu, or Wendy-Adele Humphrey (Texas Tech), wendy.humphrey@ttu.edu.