

Call for Abstracts for the 2024 NAEAA Conference

The National Association of Equine Affiliated Equine Academics (NAEAA) is pleased to announce that our annual conference, to be hosted by Delaware Valley University, will be held May 28-30 in Doylestown, PA. The 2024 conference will consist of a mix of workshops, panels, oral and poster presentations, invited speakers, social activities, and optional pre- and post-conference equine industry tours. Registration and housing information will be available in early spring on the <u>NAEAA website</u>.

Whether you are considering submitting an abstract or not, NAEAA invites all educators and industry representatives in all equine affiliated academic fields to join us in Pennsylvania for our 2024 conference! In addition, if you know of anyone who might have an interest in joining NAEAA or attending the conference, please forward them this announcement.

Individuals are encouraged to submit abstracts for oral or poster

presentation at the 2024 conference. Presentation topics may include, but are not limited to: innovations in teaching, learning, and assessment, experiential learning (internships, study abroad, etc.), program administration, and industry engagement. Presentations by students and industry representatives are highly encouraged. Topics related to diversity, equity, and inclusion in equine academics are also highly encouraged. The scheduled time for each oral presentation is 12 min followed by 3 min for questions, discussion, and speaker transition. While empirical studies are encouraged, we fully recognize the value of sharing novel and best practice approaches that may not follow scientific methodology as long as some form of outcomes assessment is included. There is no limit on the number of abstracts an individual may submit. Abstracts for oral or poster presentations must be submitted by **11:59 p.m.**.

At this time, we are also seeking abstracts from individuals or groups wanting to coordinate a panel discussion or workshop at the 2024

conference. Panel discussions and workshops are a great way for attendees to learn new perspectives about a specific topic, foster collaborations, and engage in professional growth. A panel discussion involves a moderator guiding multiple panelists (~ 3-5) as they each present about their expertise on a particular thought-provoking or timely topic or issue followed by questions for the panelist from the audience. A workshop is an educational program that emphasizes interaction and exchange of information related to a particular topic. Abstracts for panel discussions or workshops must be submitted by **11:59 p.m. EST on January 15, 2024**. Instructions for submitting abstracts can be found below.

Instructions for Abstract Submission:

- Abstract content must be 300 words or less, single spaced, Times Roman, 1" margins top and bottom, 1.25" margins left and right
- Title: Bold, upper case, 14 point font, centered. Please be as concise as possible.
- Authors: Centered, italicized, 11 point font, 1 line below the title; include authors first and middle initials followed by last name, and institution name, city, state/province for each author. If abstracts are to be presented by student, please indicate that on the abstract by putting an asterisk (*) at the end of their last name.
- Body of Abstract. 1 line below author information, left aligned, 12 point font, no subheadings, no indentation, leave a space between paragraphs. Abstract content will vary with subject but most abstracts should include a brief introduction or purpose; a description of what was done; and a short conclusion. The body of the abstract should be a single paragraph that concisely summarizes the content value of the material that will be presented. Abstracts describing proposed panel discussions or workshops should include expected knowledge gains, skill development, or other potential benefits for participants. Abstracts will be reviewed as submitted please ensure grammatical correctness and adherence to formatting requirements.
- Use non-standard abbreviations sparingly. Examples of standard abbreviations include: Hour (s) = h; minute (s) = min; day (s) = d; month (s) = m.

All abstracts will be reviewed by the NAEAA Conference Committee with presenters notified of a decision by March 1, 2024.

Please upload your abstract file through this form: <u>https://forms.gle/F1cJ5CnjL8jDvF7R6</u>

About NAEAA:

Founded in 2007, NAEAA is a non-profit professional organization representing individuals from public and private institutions and the equine industry that strive to educate undergraduates within an equine academic program. Our core belief is that there is an educational and societal value in the equine discipline of study. Our mission is to strengthen postsecondary equine academic programs, provide networking opportunities, and encourage and facilitate increased cooperation and information sharing among our members.

To learn more about NAEAA, please visit our website (<u>https://www.naeaa.com/</u>).