

AAER

The Association for the Advancement of Educational Research

Bridging Educational Practice and Discipline Through Research

During the long months between the start of the school year and the beginning of the new year, have you thought about finding a warm, friendly and responsive group of highly educated researchers who wish to share their research in meeting rooms, around the swimming pool, in the Jacuzzi or while playing golf on an 18 hole course along the ocean front or while playing tennis on one of 20 tennis courts? Continue thinking and you will find your way to the Hutchinson Island Marriott for the AAER National Conference Nov. 1 – 6, 2011. The outdoor temperature on land and in the three swimming pools and Jacuzzis at the Marriott is in the 80's and the warmth spawns the exchange of ideas on research whether you are in a meeting room, having lunch outdoors each day of the conference, or in informal discussions at the hospitality suites provided each evening of the meeting.

To experience this, you should get out your laptop by June 30, 2011, and submit a proposal for presentation at the Annual AAER meeting. This proposal can be in any of five formats, a paper session, a roundtable, a symposium, a discussion group, or a poster session, whatever will get you to the 200 acre island resort on Hutchinson Island. The Hotel is 45 minutes from the Palm Beach International Airport and I will send you a list of taxis to take to the conference from the airport. The price of a hotel room is \$130 per night, single or double and the food is scrumptious.

Your membership in AAER and Conference Registration includes three lunches with noted speakers. It also includes opportunities for extensive presentations of 20 minutes each for paper sessions and Facilitators who provide a receptive atmosphere for each presentation. It also includes a social each evening.

The mission of AAER is to encourage the growth of educational research and to provide a bridge for inquiry processes and findings across disciplines and fields in Education. It is a small national conference that has this thematic emphasis which is uniquely different from AERA. It is through a reflective and congenial atmosphere that AAER provides that you will be able to experience the opportunity for both enjoyment and intellectual growth. Whether you present or only attend, I am sure you will want to come back over and over again as I have since I founded AAER 10 years ago.

Dr. Mervin Lynch
Executive Director, AAER

Association for the Advancement of Educational Research

Eleventh ANNUAL CONFERENCE

Hutchinson Island Marriott

November 1-6, 2011, Hutchinson Island, Florida

CALL FOR PAPERS

MAIN SUBMISSION DEADLINE

June 30, 2011

WEB SITE: WWW.AAER.ORG

You are cordially invited to submit a proposal to this year's AAER Annual Conference. Proposals are peer reviewed and may include completed research or research in progress. These proposals may be submitted in one of five presentation formats.

• Research Papers:	Completed data-based studies. Literature reviews, essays, position papers or extended presentations are encouraged in another format.
• Discussion Groups:	Interactive sessions which stimulate participation, discussion, debate, and group interaction.
• Symposia:	Integrated dialogues among 3 or more participants concerning a well-defined topic, scholarly review of issues and an opportunity to hear and engage in dialogue about cutting edge research.
• Round Tables:	Small group discussions intended for sharing information about research in progress, focused policy, practice, professional, and/or theoretical concerns.
• Poster Sessions:	Presents work-in-progress which permits scholars with similar research interests to interact in collegial format.

The proposal should consist of one cover sheet for the primary author and each coauthor. It should also include a digital format using Microsoft Word for Windows which presents the title of paper, two page double spaced proposal, affiliation, address, phone number, FAX number, and e-mail address for each author and coauthor. Submit the proposal with payments for registration and membership fees to: Dr. Mervin Lynch, Northeastern University, P.O. Box 39, Mansfield, MA 02048. Phone #: (508) 668-5879.

Recognizing that individuals at different institutions operate under different schedules, the Association for the Advancement of Educational Research has established three dates for the submission of proposals:

(1st) June 30, 2011 (2nd) August 15, 2011 and (Final) Sept. 30, 2011.

Registration fees will increase after each deadline.

If fees are not paid by October 15, 2011, authors' names will be removed from the program. Please note the senior author is responsible for assuring all applicable fees are paid by their co-authors.

Hotel reservation deadline is October 1, 2011. Contact the Hutchinson Island Marriott.

<http://marriott.com/property/propertyPage/PBIIR> 555 NE Ocean Boulevard, Stuart, FL

34996 Phone: 1 772-225-3700 Fax: 1 772-225-0003, Prior to October 1, 2011.

BE SURE THAT ALL OF THE FOLLOWING ARE INCLUDED WITH EACH SUBMISSION:

1. A cover sheet for each author/coauthor containing name, address, phone & FAX numbers, and e-mail addresses.
2. A two page double spaced proposal, the presentation title, names, affiliations and e-mail addresses of all authors and co-authors. This proposal and cover sheet may be sent by E-mail to Dr. Mervin Lynch, at me.lynch@verizon.net or produced in Microsoft Word in digital format, and included in a submission package sent by mail services to Dr. Lynch.
3. Conference and membership fees for presenters including all authors and co-authors sent separately if the proposal is submitted by E-mail or as part of the submission package by mail services to Dr. Mervin Lynch, PO Box 39, Mansfield MA 02048

Overhead projectors will be provided by AAER. Any other equipment must be obtained by the participant at their own expense from the hotel.

COVER SHEET

Include a copy of this Cover Sheet for Each Author/Coauthor. Please check one **format**.

This proposal is for a: **Research Paper** **Discussion Group** **Symposium**
 Roundtable **Poster Session**

Print or Type

Proposal Title:	
Principal Author:	
Affiliation: Address:	
Street Address:	
City:	State:
Zip Code:	
Phone:	Fax:
Email:	
Coauthors (names, affiliations, address, phone number and email):	
Coauthors (names, affiliations, address, phone number and email):	
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Please use the back of this sheet if more space is needed regarding the demographic data.

CONTENT AREAS (CIRCLE ONLY ONE)

Affective Education	Adult & Continuing Ed.	Audio-Visual Education	Music Education	Bilingual Education
Curriculum Research	Ed. Administration	Future of Technology	Management & Policy	Early Childhood
Ed. Communications	Ed. Psychology	Ed. Statistics	Ed. Technology	Futuristics
Gifted & Talented	Health Education	High Risk Students	Home Schooling	Human Sexuality
Impact of Computers in Ed.	International Education	Interviewing Techniques	Learning Disorders	Learning Styles
Learning to Wellness	Mgmt-Classroom Behavior	Measurement	Nontrad Coll Students	Prof. Development
Research Ethics	Research on Learning	Research Methods	Scaling-Psychophysics	Sports/Phys. Ed.
School Climate Urban Ed.	Virtual Environments	Performance-Based Learning		

AAER Membership and Registration Fees 2011*

Date of Submission**	Type of Fee	Professionals	Retirees	Students
June 30, 2011	Membership	\$135.00	\$75.00	\$75.00
or before	Registration	\$135.00	\$135.00	\$75.00
	Total Fee	\$270.00	\$210.00	\$150.00

Date of Submission**	Type of Fee	Professionals	Retirees	Students
July 1, 2011 to	Membership	\$135.00	\$75.00	\$75.00
August 15, 2011	Registration	\$150.00	\$150.00	\$90.00
	Total Fee	\$285.00	\$225.00	\$165.00

Date of Submission**	Type of Fee	Professionals	Retirees	Students
August 16, 2011	Membership	\$135.00	\$75.00	\$75.00
to Sept. 30, 2011	Registration	\$165.00	\$165.00	\$105.00
	Total Fee	\$300.00	\$240.00	\$180.00

*Refunds may be made for registration but not membership fees. There will be no refunds after September 15, 2011. Final deadline for proposals and fees for presenters will be Sept. 30, 2011. Presenters who have not paid all fees by Oct. 15, 2011 will have their names and presentations removed from the program.

**Notification of paper acceptance and time and day of presentation will be made according to the date of submission below. Requests for any changes in the program must be received prior to September 15, 2011.

Date of Submission	Date of Notification	MAIL ALL MATERIALS TO:
Before June 30, 2011	August 15, 2011	Dr. Mervin Lynch, AAER Registration and Proposal
July 1 to August 15, 2011	September 30, 2011	P.O. Box 39
Aug. 16 to Sept. 30, 2011	October 15, 2011	Mansfield, MA 02048
After September 30, 2011	Notification of Acceptance Only	

Signature _____ Date _____

MISSION STATEMENT ASSOCIATION FOR THE ADVANCEMENT OF EDUCATIONAL RESEARCH (AAER)

AAER demonstrates the importance of research and encourages the integration of inquiry processes and findings across disciplines and fields in Education. The Association encourages the growth of educational research and seeks to improve its quality. The Association works actively to generate interest in educational research, supports sponsorship and funding of educational research, provides education and training in research methods and disseminates significant findings from educational research. The Association consists of seven divisions and these divisions promote excellence in educational research through scholarly presentation and exchange at its annual national conference.

MEMBERSHIP

All individuals with an interest in educational research may become members of AAER. The membership year runs from January 1 – December 31 of each year. The current membership fee is \$135 for Professional members and \$75 for Students. The membership fee for Retirees, those persons who are retired and not currently employed, is \$75. All officers of AAER are required to maintain their current membership in AAER in order to serve as an officer of the organization.

CONFERENCE FEES AND REGISTRATION

AAER in recognition that individuals at different institutions operate with different schedules, provides three dates for proposal submission and registration. Fees vary according to the date of submission that is chosen by the presenter. Registration Fees for conference submissions received by June 30 are \$135 for Professionals and \$75 each for Students and Retirees. Fees for submission received by August 15 are \$150 for Professionals and Retirees, and \$90 for students. September 30 is the final date to receive paper submissions and registration fees received by that date will be \$165 for Professionals and Retirees and \$105 for Students. All registration fees received after Sept. 30 are \$180 for Professionals and Retirees and \$120 for Students.

**FOR THE MOST COMPLETE AND UP TO DATE INFORMATION
VISIT OUR WEB SITE AT: WWW.AAER.ORG**

Call for Paper Proposals for AAER Conferences

Educational researchers may submit original proposals for consideration that have not been published or presented at another professional meeting. Completed proposals may be submitted by E-mail to Me.lynch@Verizon.net and payments for all fees sent by mail services to Dr. Lynch at PO Box 39, Mansfield MA 02048 at the time of submission or the completed proposals may be submitted as a package together with payments of all fees to Dr. Lynch at PO Box 39, Mansfield MA 02048.

All proposals will be reviewed by three professional scholars. Authors listed on papers that are submitted for presentation are required to pay membership fees. The senior author on each paper is required to attend the conference and pay both membership and registration fees. Co-authors on papers are required to pay membership fees and registration fees if attending the conference. Registration fees will be returned to the proposal submitters if the proposal is rejected for conference presentation. All authors presenting papers at the conference are required to stay at the conference hotel for the duration of the meeting.

Research proposal submissions may be made in one of five presentation formats. These formats include research papers, discussion groups, symposia, round tables and poster sessions. Original proposed research presentations are to be based on completed work, or work in progress which should be completed before the annual conference. An individual may participate in a maximum of three sessions, excluding invited addresses, business meetings, and award activities. AAER will provide overhead projectors for proposals accepted as Symposia and Paper presentations and any other audio-visual or equipment needs must be arranged by the participant at their own expense.

How to Submit a Proposal

Submitted proposals should be no more than two double spaced pages in length and should summarize the major objectives or focus, the theoretical perspective, research methods or techniques, data sources, results, conclusions, and educational or scientific significance of the work. The proposal should list the title of the proposal, the name and address of all authors, their institutional affiliation, mailing address with zip code, email address and office and home phone numbers with area codes and fax number with area codes. It should also list the session format desired for presentation.

Papers in all formats will be evaluated according to criteria as follows: (a) the significance of the problem or issue to the field; (b) the originality of the work; (c) the adequacy of the theoretical/conceptual framework; (d) appropriateness of the mode of inquiry; (e) the rigor and accuracy of the analysis of the data; (f) clarity of the written exposition of ideas, analyses, and arguments; and (g) reasonableness of stated conclusions and implications in light of findings and previous research.

The proposal package should include a cover sheet for each author/coauthor containing name, address, phone and FAX numbers and e-mail addresses of all participants. The two page proposal together with names and affiliation of all authors and co-authors, their e-mail addresses and phone numbers should be included along with a Microsoft Word digitally formatted version of proposal in an E-mail attachment sent to Me.Lynch@neu.edu and this data will be used in the paper review process.

Session Formats

Research Papers

Research paper proposals are data-based studies that utilize any variety of quantitative, qualitative or mixed methodological approaches. They may also be descriptive of a particular methodology and its application. Papers not meeting these criteria (e.g., literature reviews, essays, position papers) should be submitted under another format. The proposed paper should be written in APA format and 15 copies brought to the conference for dissemination at the session.

Paper sessions provide an opportunity for an author to present an abbreviated version of his or her paper. A facilitator will chair each session, introduce each presenter and stimulate discussion of the papers after all the papers are presented. The dialogue and discussion of papers is a critical component of each conference. To facilitate interaction among participants, sessions will be 75 minutes in length and as a rule have a smaller number of papers than is traditional at other conferences for instance, 3 or less. Typically this permits 20 minutes per paper presentation and 15 minutes for discussion.

Symposia

Symposia are integrated dialogues between three or more session participants about a clearly identified theme or topic. This format allows a team of researchers or practitioners to present or review scholarly perspectives on issues. The format is intended to provide attendees with an opportunity to hear presenters engage in dialogue about cutting-edge research, practice, theory building, or policy development.

The organizer of the session will be the facilitator of the session, introduce each participant and provide a summary of the participant's perspective on the topic or theme of the symposium. The panel members are expected to prepare a commentary paper addressing central questions regarding the issue under consideration. The facilitator will divide the session to include sufficient time for the facilitator to integrate themes or identify questions for further discussion and for attendees to contribute to the discussion.

Roundtable Discussions

Roundtables may be proposed on any topic, but are best suited for small group discussions intended to advance, enhance, or share information about research projects that are still in progress. Roundtables are also a useful format for discussion of narrowly focused topics of policy, practice, professional, or theoretical concerns. .

Individual presenters are assigned numbered tables in a single meeting room where interested persons may gather with the presenter to discuss his or her paper or project. Authors are expected to bring copies of their full papers or summaries and to remain available for discussion throughout the session. Roundtables are not appropriate forums for formal paper presentations or for topics that would engage large groups of people. Facilitators are assigned to roundtable sessions so as to stimulate discussion with the presenter. Audiovisual equipment is not provided for round table sessions.

Discussion Sessions:

Discussion Groups are highly interactive sessions which stimulate participation discussion, debate and group interaction. These usually focus on a controversial topic in educational research and are designed to promote interaction between the session presenters and the attendees. It is designed for larger group sessions than are roundtables. A person is assigned to the discussion group as a facilitator unless one is submitted with the proposal.

Poster Sessions

Poster sessions combine the graphic display of materials with the opportunity for individualized, informal discussion of the research throughout the session. Materials for a poster session will be posted beside the registration desk for the entire conference. The Poster session presenter should plan to be at the conference for its duration and be available at the registration desk during the morning coffee breaks on each of the conference days to discuss their poster session.

Presenters must set up their display prior to the start of the conference and remove it promptly at the end of the conference, as well as have copies of papers or summaries available. A brief abstract of the paper in large typescript should form part of the display. Also displays often include visual aids in the form of graphs or charts.

JOURNAL SUBMISSIONS

AAER publishes a peer reviewed Journal which is listed in Cabal, *The Journal for the Advancement of Educational Research*. Submissions to the *Journal* are separate from submissions to the conference and the manuscripts submitted to the *Journal* are submitted to an independent peer review by at least two members of the editorial review board.

The *Journal* is published once yearly by AAER and includes manuscripts which promote excellence and seek to bridge educational research across many fields of educational practice and foundational disciplines. To be considered for publication, manuscripts must be written in APA style and can be no more than 15 double spaced typewritten pages inclusive of tables and references. The submission deadline is April 1.

To be considered for publication, all authors and co-authors must pay their current year AAER membership fees and submission fees which are \$100 for senior authors and \$45 for co-authors. The senior author on all papers published must maintain membership payments for two years from the date of submission.

All manuscripts for the Journal should be submitted and all Journal editorial communications directed to AAER Journal Editors who are: Dr. Enid B. Jones, 14798 SW 27th Court Rd., Ocala FL 34473 (email: ebjones@gmail.com) or Dianne Wright, Florida Atlantic University, 2912 College Ave., Davie FL 33314 (email: dwright@fau.edu).

All payments for membership and submission fees should be submitted to Dr. Mervin Lynch, Executive Director, AAER, 59 Clear Pond Dr., Walpole, MA 02081; Telephone: 508-668-5879.

To be published in the *Journal for the Advancement of Educational Research* manuscripts should meet the following criteria:

- 1. Importance:** The manuscript should make an important contribution to the field of educational research.
- 2. Methodological Adequacy:** Manuscripts reporting empirical studies should have clearly described designs and methods and clearly formulated findings/conclusions supported by data obtained with valid and reliable measures.
- 3. Manuscript:** Authors should submit an original manuscript and two blinded copies. The original manuscript should include author identification data, but there should be no author identification data on the blinded copies. A one paragraph abstract not to exceed 150 words should accompany the manuscript. The

manuscript should also be submitted ~~on a Microsoft disc~~ in Microsoft word and this copy should include manuscript title, author and co-authors, affiliations, addresses, e-mail address and telephone contact numbers for all authors.

4. Preparation of Copy: The manuscript including references and tables should be double spaced with one inch margins and in total should not exceed 15 pages. A separate cover sheet should include the title of the article and the name(s) and full academic degrees of the author(s). Choose one author to act as the recipient of all correspondence and include his or her name, address, position, institution, telephone number, fax number and e-mail address with the manuscript.

5. Style and References: Manuscript and references should follow the American Psychological Association Manual, most current edition guidelines. All written material, references and tables shall be double spaced.

6. Costs: All authors must pay Journal fees when submitting a manuscript to cover publication costs. These are \$100 for 1st authors and \$45 for each and every co-author. All authors must be members of AAER at the time of submission of papers. Membership dues run from January 1 to December 31 of each year. If submitting the manuscript in 2011, each author must pay membership dues for 2010. The 1st author is expected to maintain membership for two years so this author is expected to pay dues for 2011 when they are due in January 2011. (Please note that membership fees paid at or before the 2009 conference only cover the 2009 membership year and not 2011.

7. Manuscript Acceptance. Each submission will be reviewed by two members of the *Journal* editorial board. The average time for review is three months. If a manuscript is rejected, all *Journal* but not membership fees will be returned to the author(s).

8. Due Date. All manuscripts must be received by April 1st to be considered for publication in the current issue of the *Journal*. Authors can appear in only two articles per issue of the *Journal*. If an author appears in more than two manuscripts that are accepted for publication, the author must choose the order in which he/she wishes to have the articles published and they will be spaced out over *Journal* issues accordingly.