

Association for Communication Administrators
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The Association for Communication Administration (ACA) Interest Group invites papers and panel proposals for the 91st Annual Convention of the Southern States Communication Association. We invite authors to broadly interpret the convention theme, “Harboring Hope,” to consider how higher education administrative practices can be informed by communication theory and scholarship during times of crises and quick changes. We encourage papers and panels that explore the role of communication in administrative practices when facing conflicts and crises in higher education. How can communication administrators best serve as leaders during such times of change.

All methodological approaches are encouraged. Panel submissions that could be co-sponsored by another interest group or division should be clearly indicated in the panel justification.

Completed paper submissions should include a file containing the completed paper with an abstract of no more than 100 words on the first page. Note: Please be sure to remove any author identification from the completed paper file. If this is the author’s first conference submission, please include the designation “DEBUT” on the cover page.

Please submit only electronic submissions in Microsoft Word documents or PDF to the following link: <https://www.xcdsystem.com/ssca/abstract/index.cfm?ID=7Zb2tA0>. Preferred manuscript length is 10-20 pages. Include a separate cover page with the title, author(s) name, address(es), e-mail address(es), affiliation(s) and an abstract of no more than 100 words.

Prepare all manuscripts double-spaced and in accordance with latest edition of APA or MLA guidelines. Begin the manuscript with the title and an abstract, then start the body of the paper on the second page. Be sure to remove all references to the author(s) within the manuscript itself to facilitate blind review. Submissions are made through the association’s website at ssca.net.

Where entire panels are proposed, submitters are encouraged to diversify the institutional affiliation of the panel participants, and to consider opportunities to bring in colleagues and peers who have not recently or never attended an SSCA conference. Program proposals which do not align with SSCA’s divisional and interest group structure may be submitted directly to the vice president for consideration as part of the *Vice President’s Spotlight Series*. The deadline for all submissions is October 1, 2020.