

Political Communication Division

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The Political Communication Division invites papers and panel proposals for the 91st meeting of the Southern States Communication Association. Submissions addressing the conference theme, “Harboring Hope: Rebuilding through Communication,” are especially welcome.

The scope of the division is broad. Submissions may focus on any aspect of the field, including, but not limited to, the study of citizen activism, individual political figures, government institutions, the media, political campaigns, advocacy groups, and social movements.

The division recognizes and encourages research that addresses political communication topics in all contexts and levels of analysis, employing a variety of methodologies.

Top faculty and student papers will be recognized at the conference.

To ensure an anonymous review, the identity of the author(s) should be removed from the manuscript itself. All papers should also include a 75-125 word abstract and be no longer than 25 pages, excluding the title page, abstract, tables, and references. Those submitting competitive papers should remove all information that would link them to their document, including information contained in the “Properties” category of each Word file. Students submitting papers should indicate “Student” status on the title page of the manuscript so that the division’s top graduate student paper may be submitted for consideration for SSCA’s Robert Bostrom Young Scholar Award.

Panel proposals and other special format submissions should be in the format consistent with recent SSCA programs for the annual convention. The submissions should include the panelists’ names, titles, institutions, and contact information. Additionally, proposals should include the panel’s title, a rationale for the panel (200-250 words), a brief (50-word) summary for the conference program, and the list of panelists and their institutions as they will appear in the program. If the panel proposal is a paper panel proposal, it should also include paper titles and short abstracts (75-100 words) for each paper. Proposals that explore connections and co-sponsorship with other interest groups are strongly encouraged.

Submissions will be conducted electronically and must be received by the end of the day on Thursday, October 1, 2020. You can access the submission portal at this link: <https://www.xcdsystem.com/ssca/abstract/index.cfm?ID=7Zb2tA0>.

If you have any questions, please contact me.