LATINXCONNECT
Elevating Latinx Identities & Contemporary Issues

Request for Proposals

About the 2022 Latinx Connect Conference

The Latinx Connect conference will bring together students, educators, community leaders, and political advocates to dialogue about Latinx identities and contemporary and historical issues faced by the Latinx community. Participants will discuss what it means to be Latinx/a/o/e/Hispanic in relation to intersectional identities, education, immigration, public health, art, history, etc.

The aim of the 3-day virtual conference is to move us beyond "celebrating" Latinxs, instead calling for empowerment and justice for the Latinx community, which faces numerous disparities in U.S. society, particularly for those at the intersections of Latinx identity (e.g., Afro-Latinxs, Indigenous Latinxs, queer and Trans* Latinxs, undocumented Latinxs).

Conference Details

Date: Thursday-Saturday, October 27-29, 2022
Time: *To be determined*
Location: Workshops and Panels will be *virtual.*
Opening and Closing Receptions will be *in-person* pending covid with a possibly of hybrid (venue TBD).

Who Should Participate?

Students, educators, professionals, researchers, and community members who serve, uplift, and support the Latinx community.

Why Should You Participate?

- Network with colleagues and build partnerships for the justice and empowerment of Latinxs
- Dialogue as a community about oppressive systems internalized within Latinx communities (e.g., anti-Black racism, homophobia)
- Get up-to-date information on topics, trends, timely issues in diverse Latinx communities, and calls to action
- Gain career experience in facilitating a workshop or panel discussion
- Take action in support of Latinx-focused programming by participating as an attendee or facilitator

How to submit a proposal:

Follow this link to the **Virtual Session Proposal Submission Form on the Cvent platform**. When prompted to log in, register for an account and proceed to submit your proposal.

Proposal Submission Tracks

Workshop and Panel Discussion submissions will be organized into the following tracks:

- Art and culture
- Education through the lifespan
- Employment, income, and social mobility
- Healthcare systems and services
- Historical perspectives and contemporary connections
- Human rights, social justice, advocacy, and activism
- Identities and intersectionality
- Migration and transnational Latinx connections
- Psychological and emotional well-being and supports
- Science, technology, engineering, and math
- Social services and community resources
- Other relevant contemporary issue not listed

Instructions for Submitting a Proposal for a WORKSHOP

Workshops are either 30 or 60 minutes (including Q&A) and can take various forms, from a facilitated problem-solving or idea generating presentation to a hands-on skill development program that impacts individuals, families, and/or communities at the intersection of Latinx identity (e.g., Afro-Latinxs, Indigenous Latinxs, queer and Trans* Latinxs, undocumented Latinxs). Workshops will allow time for in-depth exploration of a topic and active attendee engagement. A workshop must be designed so that participants learn specific strategies that can be adapted and implemented in their respective setting. ***Please include the following information when prompted in the Virtual Session Proposal Submission Form on the Cvent platform***:

- Name, title, email address for primary facilitator (this individual will be the contact person)
- Names and titles of co-facilitator(s) (no more than three)
- Headshot and biographies (150 words max. per facilitator) of facilitator and co-facilitator(s) to be included in conference program (these can be uploaded separately on submission page).
- Session title (15 words max.)
- Background and evidence of effectiveness of the work (150 words max.)
- Session description (150 words max.)
- Brief abstract to be included in the conference program (75 words max.)
- Specific track under which your workshop's theme fits best
- Specific learning objectives (two to four; 25 words max. per objective). Learning objectives are statements of what participants in the session will be able to do at the conclusion of the session and MUST be outlined as observable behaviors. *For example: (1) Describe the concepts of microaggression and microaffirmation; (2) Identify behaviors classified as microaffirmations*

- Language of the session

Instructions for Submitting a Proposal for a PANEL DISCUSSION

Panel discussion sessions are 60-75 minutes (including Q&A) and should focus on an emerging theory or an innovative strategy, tool, or approach that impacts individuals, families, and/or communities at the intersection of Latinx identity (e.g., Afro-Latinxs, Indigenous Latinxs, queer and Trans* Latinxs, undocumented Latinxs). A panel discussion may also be used to engage participants in a focused discussion of a topic and generation of a plan of action to drive process or program improvement. ***Please include the following information when prompted in the Virtual Session Proposal Submission Form on the Cvent platform***:

- Name, title, email address for primary facilitator (this individual will be the contact person)
- Names and titles of co-facilitators and panelists (no more than three)
- Headshot and biographies (150 words max. per facilitator) of facilitator(s) and panelists to be included in summit program.
- Session title (15 words max.)
- Background and evidence of effectiveness of the work (150 words max.)
- Session description (150 words max.)
- Brief abstract to be included in the conference program (75 words max.)
- Specific track under which your panel's theme fits best
- Key takeaways (two to four; 25 words max. per objective). Key takeaways are summary statements of what the facilitator will address. *For example, (1) How to implement [insert technique]; (2) Impact of [insert technique or strategy]*
- Language of the session

Important Dates
Call for Proposals Opens: **August 5, 2022**
Proposal Submission Deadline: **September 5, 2022**

For any questions, please contact latinxconnect@pitt.edu