



22nd Annual National Black Graduate Student Conference
“Pioneering the Change Within”
March 10-14, 2010 Hilton Del Mar
San Diego, California

CALL FOR PROPOSALS

The 2009-2010 NBGSA Conference Committee is seeking proposals for papers, posters, panels, and workshops that focus on our conference theme: *“Pioneering the Change Within.”* We invite you to join us as we commit to the future, reflect on change, produce scholars and scholarship, encourage our communities, and boldly blaze new trails! While proposals related to this theme are especially welcome, proposals addressing any topic of interest to the diverse membership of the National Black Graduate Student Association will be considered.

SUBMISSION GUIDELINES

Paper Competition and Presentation

We are soliciting presentations of research involving a single topic accompanied by a written paper explaining the issues, methodologies, and outcomes. Submissions will be automatically eligible for a cash prize of \$200 for first place, \$100 for second place, and \$50 for third place. Winners and a selection of the best papers will be eligible for publication in Call and Response: The Scholarly Journal of the NBGSA (*Note: It is possible that a paper may be accepted for presentation but will not appear in the journal*). Papers will be refereed by professors and graduate students who have volunteered for and been elected to academic representative positions within NBGSA.

A scholarly paper may be a research report, case study, methodological paper, theoretical paper, or scientific display. The text should be between 1800 and 2500 words and should follow the guidelines of the associated discipline (MLA, APA, etc.). No more than 2 tables and/or figures may be included. Papers should include a Short Abstract (150-200) words for publication with the paper and in the Conference Abstract booklet for members.

Posters

Posters are ideal for presenting speculative in-progress work, late-breaking results from completed work, or for giving an introduction to interesting, innovative theoretical work. Posters are intended to provide authors and participants with the ability to connect with each other and to engage in discussions about the work. Poster sizes are not specified; however, they should be at least 17” by 22”. Presenters will be expected to bring 25 copies of their abstract for the session. Titles of abstracts for the Poster Session will appear in the conference program.

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Workshops and Panels

Workshops and panels are not forums for research presentation; rather, they should focus on a single topic or theme related to the graduate experience and our conference theme. These hour-long workshops should focus on fostering discussion and must not be presentation only; the major portion of the time should be devoted to discussion. Panels should not have more than five presenters. Sessions can be geared toward undergraduates looking forward to graduate school, or issues related to current graduate students.

PROPOSAL SUBMISSION INSTRUCTIONS

To apply please submit the following:

- **Proposal Submittal Form**
This includes the title of the paper, poster, panel, or presentation, authors(s)/presenter(s), phone number, category, presentation format and length, and audiovisual requirements.
- **For the Poster Session or Symposium – Abstract**
The abstract text must contain the title and a 150 -200 word (maximum excluding title and author information) detailed description of the paper, poster, panel, or workshop presentation. The abstract should be in Microsoft Word format
- **For Scholarly Paper and Journal Contest - Abstract**
If submitting a proposal for the paper competition, please submit an abstract of the proposed paper 150 – 200 words by Monday October 26, 2009. Authors of accepted abstracts will be notified shortly thereafter and must complete and submit final drafts for the competition by February 5, 2010.

All information, submittal form and abstracts should be sent electronically to Brian W. Kellum, Vice President for Administration, at vpadmin@nbgsa.org.

All proposals must be received by **Monday, October 26, 2009**. You should receive confirmation of receipt within 48 hours of sending your proposal. Notification of proposal acceptance will be on or before November 30, 2010. **IMPORTANT NOTE: You must be a member of NBGSA at the time of submission and presentation (see www.nbgsa.org for membership information).**



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Proposal Submittal Form

Please type or print. Complete one submittal form for each paper, poster, panel, and/or workshop. This form may be duplicated for additional submissions. **Deadline: Monday, October 26, 2009**

Circle one: Mr. Mrs. Miss Ms. Dr.

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ **State:** _____ **Zip:** _____

Email: _____ **Phone:** _____

Area of Discipline (check one):

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Business | <input type="checkbox"/> Education | <input type="checkbox"/> Engineering |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Fine Arts | <input type="checkbox"/> Health & Medical | <input type="checkbox"/> Humanities |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Law | <input type="checkbox"/> Science | <input type="checkbox"/> Social Science |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other: | | |

Current Institution _____

City _____ **State** _____ **Anticipated Graduation Date** _____

Graduate Degree Pursuing M. Ed MBA M.S. M.H.A. M.P.A Ph. D Other: _____

Type of Undergraduate Degree (circle one): B.S. B.A. Other: _____

Year of Completion: _____ **Field of Study:** _____

Research Interests

Title of Paper/Panel/Workshop/Poster

* If your proposal submittal includes more than one participant, please fill out a form for each author or presenter.



Submission Type (Check One):

- Paper Presentation/Competition Panel Discussion
 Workshop Poster Presentation/Competition

Please indicate the topic area of your paper/poster/workshop/panel (Check One):

- Fine Arts Education Biological and Physical Sciences
 Social Sciences Humanities Business
 Other (please indicate) _____

Please list any audiovisual needs for paper/poster presentations (on-site requests will not be honored):
