

CALL FOR STUDENT PAPERS

2020 Pi Gamma Mu Convention



At the 2011 Convention, 40 students presented their research in the ornate Kennedy Caucus Room of the Senate Office Building in Washington, DC.

Think about it! Presenting at an international academic convention looks great on a resume. Submit your papers now!

Pi Gamma Mu student members are encouraged to submit completed social science research papers for presentation consideration at the 2020 Triennial International Convention of Pi Gamma Mu. To encourage more student paper presentations at the Washington, DC convention, submitters (and their chapters) will be quickly notified whether their papers have been accepted for presentation. This will allow students and their chapters to begin making plans to attend the Convention and, if possible, to use the acceptance of their papers to seek institutional and chapter funding.

Early submissions are encouraged after March 1, 2020; the final submission deadline is September 15. At that time, all accepted papers will be rated by a Committee of Readers. The authors of the top ten rated papers will receive free convention registration (worth \$150 each), with the winners notified by September 25.

All students who have their papers accepted for presentation will present their research in a formal 10-15 minute oral presentation at the International Convention.

All submissions must include a completed cover page (see example below), including the title of the paper, the author's name, institutional affiliation, email address, telephone number, **AND** the email address and phone number of their Pi Gamma Mu chapter sponsor *AND/OR* the professor for whom the paper was originally written. Students are to include their personal information **only** on the cover page and the email sent with their entry, to ensure a completely blind or unbiased evaluation when the paper is sent to the evaluation committee. The paper itself must include none of the identifying information from the cover page other than the title of the paper. Completed papers should be at least 12 pages but no longer than 25 pages in length, including references, and in a standard format. No review comments will be shared with submitters, either verbally or orally.

Papers need to be submitted via email to Dr. Charles W. Hartwig, Chair of the Committee of Readers, at hartwigc@suddenlink.net, with a "cc" copy to the Convention Committee Chair, Dr. Susan Kinsella, at Susan.Kinsella@saintleo.edu. The papers should be attached to an email cover letter as a Microsoft Word document. Other word-processing software is unacceptable. The **deadline** for submitting papers is Tuesday, September 15, 2020; earlier submissions are strongly encouraged.

Submissions will be acknowledged by email when received. Chapter sponsors and/or the relevant faculty member will also receive notification. If a submission is not acknowledged within three days of being sent, the student submitter should follow up by contacting the Convention Committee Chair (Dr. Kinsella) at the email address above.

Outstanding papers may also be considered for a special convention issue of the ***International Social Science Review***.

We are encouraging student members of Pi Gamma Mu, undergraduate, graduate, and alumni, to submit their work. Past conventions have demonstrated that Pi Gamma Mu members have completed truly outstanding research – we look forward to learning about new research at the 2020 Washington, DC triennial convention in early November. **Now** is the time to plan your trip; **now** is the time to decide to submit a research paper; **now** is the time to request support from your local institution for travel funds.

Questions? Contact Dr. Hartwig at hartwigc@suddenlink.net, or [870-935-9454](tel:870-935-9454). See you in Washington!

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Sample Title Page

The Social Impact of the Union Pacific Railroad on Fairbanks, Alaska

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