

# AARE 2024 Conference Guidelines for Symposium Proposals

You are invited to submit an abstract to the Australian Association for Research in Education Conference 2024.

Key Dates	
Call for abstracts opens	03 May 2024
Call for abstracts closes	24 June 2024
Reviewing period	1-19 July 2024
Author notifications	19 August 2024
Accepted authors registration deadline	27 Sept 2024

# **Before You Submit**

- You should read this document before proceeding.
- All submissions must be made via the online portal.
- Delegates can be a 'presenting author' on a maximum of two presentations (e.g. 2 papers, or 1 paper and 1 roundtable). It is possible to be listed as part of an author team on more than two presentations. However, the Program Committee can only guarantee no program clashes for up to two presentation slots for any individual as presenting author. In addition to these two presentations, the Program Committee can guarantee no clashes with the role of discussant on one symposium.
- Please ensure ALL authors/presenters are aware of, and agree with, the abstract details as well as the submission terms and conditions.



# "Education research in a changing world"

The 2024 Annual Australian Association for Research in Education (AARE2024) conference invites delegates to consider the diverse ways in which educational research addresses the circumstances of a world in which the co-ordinates of social life are shifting.

What role does and can education research play in the face of global crises that are also being lived out locally? Increasing social polarisation, intensifying global climate emergency, devastating wars and humanitarian disasters, the divisive politics of racism and xenophobia, changes in the way we communicate and connect, challenges to democracy, truth and authoritative knowledge, and major reforms across education sectors nationally and internationally – these are but a few of the many immediately pressing issues demanding the attention of education researchers and practitioners alike.

Education is characteristically positioned as both a harbinger of change and a cog in the social machinery sustaining systems of inequality and injustice and resisting change. Yet this familiar assessment of the contradictory possibilities represented by education does not go very far in helping us to understand the particular ways in which education systems, ideas, and practices work across varied contexts, times and places. Grappling with these challenges requires an attentiveness to the many temporalities of education and to the different ways in which education research is configured in relation to change; is it education research in, for, and/or about change?

Education is a dynamic field, and it is thus not surprising that concepts of change figure prominently. Addressing the many dimensions of change, however, involves more than simply reiterating tropes of 'unprecedented change' or 'new times'. Change can be conceived as a kind of general backdrop to the research and work we do. But this Call for Papers encourages researchers to interrogate the specific form and effects of change and processes of transformation in the present, in earlier times and into the future. This is a broad brief which encompasses, but is not limited to: change at social, cultural, political, and macro systems' levels; policy and legislative reform; institutional reforms and initiatives; epochal and generational change; biographical and identity change; innovations in epistemologies and methodologies; and transformations both affecting and originating from diverse communities, regions and places.



# **Important Information**

We kindly remind you of the following guidelines to ensure a smooth submission process:

- Language: All abstracts must be written in English.
- Originality and Copyright: Please ensure that your submission is entirely your own work, free from any copyright infringement. Your abstract should be a concise reflection of your original research. All abstracts and presentations should adhere to the highest ethical standards and reflect the principles of research integrity expressed in the <u>Australian Code for the Responsible Conduct of Research</u> (2018) and, where relevant, the <u>AIATSIS Code of Ethics for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Research</u> (2020).
- **Content Specifications:** To maintain clarity and focus, please refrain from including tables or figures within the abstract.
- Conference Registration Should your submission be accepted, AARE looks forward to your participation in the conference. As such, all presentations must have a presenting author registered with the necessary payment completed in order to secure their place in the program. Where payment has not been made before the deadline specified in the acceptance email, the presentation will be removed from the program.
  Conference registration fees are discounted for members of AARE and for those eligible for concessional fees. (Please note that concessional registration is available at member and non-member rates). See the conference website for details of registration rates, and also for additional bursaries and funding opportunities available.
- **Financial Considerations:** Please note, the acceptance of an abstract does not include any undertakings from AARE for the provision for travel, accommodation, or other related expenses. These arrangements and costs are the responsibility of the presenter/author.
- **Review Process:** Each abstract will be carefully reviewed by members of the relevant Special Interest Group (SIG). The decision of the review panel final.
- **Publication and Media Consent:** By submitting your abstract, you agree to its potential publication on the conference's digital platforms and in printed materials. Additionally, you consent to the filming or photographing of your presentation for conference documentation and promotion.
- **Notification of Changes:** It is understood that unforeseen circumstances can occur. Should you be unable to present or need to nominate a different presenting author, please inform AARE promptly by emailing <a href="mailto:aare@thinkbusinessevents.com.au">aare@thinkbusinessevents.com.au</a>.

We appreciate your adherence to these guidelines, which will facilitate a fair and efficient review process and enrich the conference experience for all involved.



# **Presentation Type**

## **Symposium**

A symposium is a themed group of papers that is submitted as a single proposal. It usually includes a symposium chair to introduce the session and a discussant who responds to the session overall.

A symposium abstract includes an overview of the symposium theme and rationale, and an abstract for each paper included. Symposium proposals are reviewed by the identified relevant SIG.

The standard length of a symposium is **90 minutes for up to 4 papers**, plus discussant, or **120 minutes for 5 or 6 papers**, plus discussant. The Program Committee reserves the right to adjust time provided subject to programming availability.

# **Abstract Review Process**

All abstracts for Symposiums are subject to a peer-review process by members of the Association, facilitated by SIG Convenors. The review process is intended to:

- Ensure rigour and quality of research within the conference presentations.
- Support alignment with specific SIGs and the conference theme.

Abstracts will be reviewed using the following criteria:

- Relevance to educational research
- Contribution to particular research field/s
- Clarity of writing and appropriate language use
- Relevance to identified SIG.

The Reviewer will make one of the following decisions:

- Accept as is
- Accept, with editing required for clarity
- Accept, with suggestions for strengthening prior to presentation
- Rejected on basis of not satisfactorily meeting the stated review criteria.

Where there is a discrepancy between the reviewers, the SIG Convenor(s) and Conferences Standing Committee Chair will adjudicate for a final decision.

# **Considerations around Research Involving Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander Peoples**

AARE has committed to ensuring that its activities support and/or contribute to the transformative processes of decolonisation, emancipation and empowerment of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples and communities.

Please ensure you are aware of the potential effects of research on Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples and communities by reading the <u>Considerations Around Research Involving Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Peoples document.</u> Please also consult the <u>AIATSIS Code of Ethics for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Research</u> (2020) where relevant.



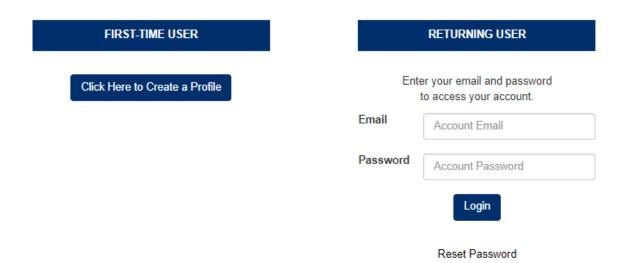
The submission process includes two questions related to research involving Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander Peoples.

1.	Does your abstract submission engage with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples and communities in any way?              Yes
	□ No
2.	If yes, are you willing to incorporate the required information on 'Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Research Background' in your presentation/submission?
	☐ Yes
	ΠNo

# **Online Submission Instructions**

If you submitted a Paper last year, you will already be in the system so please use the RETURNING USER login. If you cannot recall your password, please click on Reset Password

If you have not used submitted a paper before, you will need to use the FIRST-TIME USER link and create your profile in the submission portal



Select the **RETURNING USER** section to view/update your abstract or update your profile once your abstract has been submitted.

Once you create your profile, you will be automatically logged in to submit your abstract.

We recommend bookmarking this page as a favourite.



# 1. Click on the Profile Home link



Select AARE Conference Symposium Submission to submit a symposium proposal.

Please read the instructions on the screen carefully and complete the fields in the submission form. The submission can be edited until the system is closed.

# B. Submit a Symposium

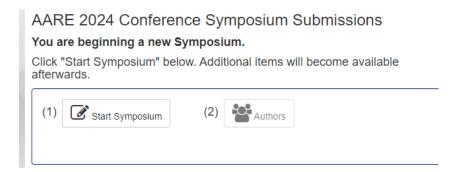
**NOTE:** Where you are proposing a Symposium, it is a **two-step process**. You will first submit the overview for the Symposium and then the individual abstracts, attached to the Symposium on behalf of all authors/presenters. Once added to the Symposium, the individual paper abstracts can be updated later by individual authors.

Please read the instructions on the screen carefully and complete the fields in the submission form. The submission can be edited until the system is closed.

Select Click Here to Start a new abstract



#### Click on the button Start Symposium





# **The Abstract Submission Questions**

Please see below for the questions that will appear on the online submission form.

#### Title (max 20 words)

Enter the full title of your abstract. The title should be as brief as possible but long enough to clearly reflect the nature of your abstract. This title may appear in all Conference information (includes print, website, app and social media).

The title should be written in sentence case (not be all caps). Capital letters should only be used at the beginning of the title, for a proper noun or after a colon.

# Symposium description (max 300 words)

The abstract should not repeat the title, authors and affiliations.

Your abstract should include relevant information, such as: background or scope of the study; significance and aims of the research; research design; key findings; and implications for further educational research.

If writing an abstract for a workshop or other format you may also need to include details of the general plan for the session so that a reviewer can understand the format of the proposed presentation session.

- References are not required. However, if you wish to include them, they must be included in the body
  of your text and included in the 300 word count
- Special Symbols and Formatting are to be used sparingly. Once your submission is complete, please read you're abstract in full to ensure the symbols are displayed correctly, and if not, please click on the "Insert Symbol" icon on the screen to see the list of available symbols.
- Tables or figures should not be included in an abstract
- **Research presented** should be significantly advanced or completed at the time of the abstract submission.

#### **Symposium Length**

Please choose your preferred Symposium length.

Symposia of 90 minutes can include up to 4 papers, plus a discussant.

Symposia of 120 minutes can include 5 or 6 papers, plus a discussant.



# **Special Interest Groups**

Please select of the following Special Interest Groups (SIG) that best fits your submission. These categories will be used by the Program Committee and the designated Subspeciality Leads for review.

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Research

Arts Education Practice Research

Assessment Measurement

Children and Student Voice Across all Sectors

**Cultural Historical and Activity Theory** 

Culturally and Linguistically Diverse Education

Early Childhood

**Educational Leadership** 

**Educational Theory and Philosophy** 

**Environmental and Sustainability Education** 

Gender, Sexualities & Cultural Studies

Global Contexts for Education

Health and Physical Education

**History and Education** 

**Inclusive Education** 

Language and Literacy

Motivation and Learning

Politics and Policy in Education

Poststructural Theory

Professional and Higher Education

Qualitative Research Methodologies

**Rural Education** 

**Schools and Education Systems** 

Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics

Social Justice

Sociology of Education

Teacher Education and Research Innovation

Teachers' Work and Lives

Technology and Learning

#### Chair

Please add the chair of the Symposium

# **Discussant**

Please add the discussant of the Symposium

Does your abstract submission engage with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples and communities in any way?

- Yes
- No

If yes, are you willing to incorporate the required information on 'Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Research Background' in your presentation/submission?

- Yes
- No



#### **Terms and Conditions**

By submitting, authors must agree to the following terms and conditions:

- The authors are responsible for the accuracy of the abstract and should ensure that they have written entirely original work which does not infringe any copyright.
- If the submission is accepted, you confirm that at least one author for each paper will register and pay to attend and present their paper at the conference. Any co-presenters or panellists, including chairs and discussants, attending the conference must also register for the conference.
- No funding is provided to those accepted to present by AARE. Any presenter not registered for the Conference by the deadline specified in the acceptance email may have their abstract removed from the proceedings and program.
- If third party material is used in the submission, you promise it does not and will not breach any existing Intellectual Property or a third party's Intellectual Property or Moral Rights.
- The submitting author gives permission on behalf of all presenters/authors and affiliations
  associated with the abstract submission, for the Abstract and presentation to appear on the
  AARE 2024 Conference website, Conference phone app, AARE website and in printed
  Conference material if it is accepted for presentation.
- The authors give AARE / Think Business Events permission to film or photograph your presentation at the Conference.

Please note that your abstract will be published as supplied.

Yes, I/we give permission

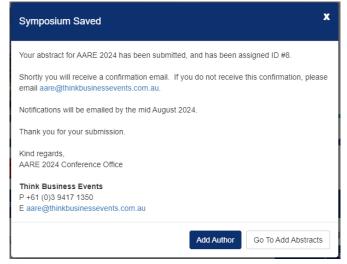
#### **Submit**

Once you are satisfied with your submission, select **SUBMIT** at the bottom of the page

Once you submit your abstract, you will receive an onscreen confirmation and email with a submission number and information. You may login at any time prior to the site closing to update your submission.

### **Adding Co-Authors**

When you have finished creating a new submission, the system will automatically assign you as a main presenter. Once you have completed all submission fields, you will then be directed to add your coauthors/presenters or abstracts.





If adding co-authors, each co-author will also receive a confirmation email with your contact information and their login information. All co-authors have *Read only* access, unless you assign a co-author to be a presenter. Presenters have *Read/Write* access.

To prevent duplicates, first search for an existing contact using the search box.

You can assign co-authors by:

- Selecting an existing contact from the drop-down menu (someone who already has a user profile). Begin by typing part of their last name. Make sure to select the correct person, in the correct organisation. Co-authors will be added to your abstract and will be sent an automated email with login instructions and details of the abstract. For privacy reasons, you will NOT be able to view an existing profile in X-CD. If you select someone from the drop-down menu, please follow up with this person to ensure they have received the email with the instructions on how to login and check/update their own profile. Or...
- Adding a new contact (someone who does NOT have a user profile, or may work for a different
  organisation than listed). You must enter their email address and other required contact information.
  Please note that you will not be able to edit the information once you hit 'Add Co-Author' button. Coauthor/s will be sent an automated email with login instructions and details of the submission. Follow
  up with your co-authors!

Under **Authors**, you can also update the order of the authors by dragging and dropping as well as define the 'Primary Presenter'.

#### Adding an abstract

Click on the **Submission Home** link at the top, scroll down to the red button Add Abstracts



- Select number of papers you want to add.
   Symposia of 90 minutes can include up to 4 papers, plus a discussant.
   Symposia of 120 minutes can include 5 to 6 papers, plus a discussant.
- 2. At this point you will just enter the abstract titles and presenters for each paper. To avoid duplicate contacts, search for the presenters before you add as a new contact.
- 3. Click on the Create Abstract button



4. Then click Edit to add the remaining details for each abstract



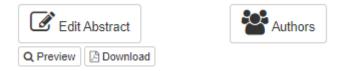
- a. Add in the abstract description and click update
- b. Once saved and still in the abstract, at the top select authors to add additional presenters or authors to this abstract.
- c. Once added select Manage All Abstracts, this will take you back to the main screen.



d. Repeat the above steps to add all abstracts attached to this symposium.

# **Updating a Symposium**

Authors may login to edit the submission until the call for abstracts closes on **Monday 24**<sup>th</sup> **June, 2024.** This can be done by logging in as a RETURNING USER and selecting Edit Abstract OR Authors as per below.



# Withdrawing an abstract

If circumstances change and it is necessary to withdraw an abstract, please contact the Conference Office via email at <a href="mailto:aare@thinkbusinessevents.com.au">aare@thinkbusinessevents.com.au</a>. Please note that withdrawals need to be communicated in writing by the author who originally submitted the abstract, and in doing so, the Conference Office assumes that all other authors/presenters have been informed of the withdrawal.

# **Enquiries**

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For easy reference, please always include the reference number and title of your presentation in your email.

