Call for Presenters

Behavioral Science & Policy Association
Annual Conference 2021

In response to COVID-19 (coronavirus), the 2021 BSPA conference is going virtual. There will be no in-person convening.

All of the programming uniquely fit for digital will be hosted online during the week of May 3rd, with live streaming and interactive sessions from 11am-5pm (EST) on May 6th and 7th.

We have worked hard to ensure that this experience will be a great one for both participants and presenters by trying to take full advantage of the unique opportunities a virtual format provides, and by engaging a very experienced technical team to support the event. While we will announce more of the details very soon, we wanted to inform those who planned to attend as early as possible so you can adjust your travel plans accordingly.

BSPA is seeking proposals for short presentations highlighting issues relating to six key areas in which behavioral scientists could have significant influence on policy. Each area will be introduced by an invited keynote speaker, followed by a handful of compelling 8-minute presentations.

Policy Area
Education & Culture
Energy & Environment
Financial Decision Making
Health
Justice & Ethics
Management & Labor

The short presentation session is designed to inform and influence academics, policy makers, and managers. These talks are intended to capture the interest of the audience, convey key information, and allow for several presenters to share their ideas in a brief period of time. Presenters may use slides, but are not required to do so.
Presentations may demonstrate recent key research findings (potentially from multiple papers) with meaningful implications for policy and practice and need not present new work in progress. These presentations should not be highly technical. Rather, presenters should craft presentations in the style of TED talks. An 8-minute time limit will be strictly enforced to allow for each presenter to address the audience, and presenters should be prepared to have their presentations recorded and posted to the BSPA web site.

**Submissions must include:**

Presenter’s name, affiliation, title, and contact information  
Presentation title (100 characters or less)  
A 400-word abstract summarizing the planned talk  
MLA-style reference(s) to published work that will be described  
Relevant policy area (e.g., Health, Justice & Ethics, etc.)

**Submission Deadline:** March 26, 2021  
**Upload Submissions Here:** https://behavioralpolicy.org/call-for-presenters/

**About BSPA**  
The Behavioral Science & Policy Association (BSPA) is a non-profit membership organization that promotes the application of rigorous behavioral science research to public and private sector policy making, and disseminates this work to a broad audience. BSPA unites a community of leading scholars in various behavioral science and policy disciplines, and facilitates interactions among leading behavioral scientists, policy analysts, and leaders from public, non-profit, and private policy sectors.

Our goal is to encourage and disseminate innovative policy solutions that serve the public interest and are derived from the study of individual, group, and organizational behavior. The BSPA board consists of experts in a variety of academic and policy disciplines, including leading policy experts, top researchers, and premier journalists. Our partner organizations include the Brookings Institution, Duke University, and UCLA. We have received generous support from a number of organizations, including the Alfred P. Sloan, MacArthur, and William and Flora Hewlett foundations. Our journal, *Behavioral Science & Policy* (BSP), is published in collaboration with Brookings Institution Press.

**Conference Organizers:** Craig Fox (UCLA), and Sim Sitkin (Duke)