



CALL FOR PAPERS

32nd ANNUAL CONFERENCE TEACHER EDUCATION DIVISION COUNCIL FOR EXCEPTIONAL CHILDREN

Conference Theme: Teacher Preparation in Changing Times: Fostering Partnerships Between Special and General Education

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**Omni Charlotte Hotel
Charlotte, North Carolina
November 10-14, 2009**

The Executive Board of the Teacher Education Division of the Council for Exceptional Children invites you to submit presentation proposals

Submission Deadline: May 1, 2009

Conference Topics:

- University-school-community partnerships, such as, field-based programs, professional development schools, and job embedded training activities that address school renewal and reform in the preparation of personnel to meet the diverse academic and social learning needs of all students
- Collaboration between Institutions of Higher Education, Local Education Agencies, and communities that fosters creative program development
- Collaboration between and among departments in general and special education teacher preparation programs to enhance cooperative efforts in co-teaching, inclusionary practices, and universal design for learning
- Strategies to enhance the recruitment, support, and retention of special education personnel, including mentoring preservice and practicing professionals, paraeducators and related services personnel
- Innovations in personnel preparation programs, curricula, and courses, including internships, mentoring, and alternate routes to certification / licensure
- Innovations in policy applications and research-based personnel preparation programs, including accreditation standards, state curriculum standards, standards- based reform, paraeducators' roles in the delivery of direct services
- Considerations regarding diverse populations, such as student recruitment and retention, preparation program competencies, and professional development for university faculty
- Research and inquiry in the diverse contexts in which all learning occurs and the impact on knowledge, skills, and inquiry for preservice and practicing professionals, paraeducators, and related services personnel
- Applications of technology in the design and delivery of personnel preparation programs

All presentations and sessions at the 32nd Annual Teacher Education Division Conference should reflect the diversity of students and professions in the field of special education. Therefore, each presenter should be sensitive to the issues of diversity and, where appropriate, address these issues in the development of presentation proposals.

Session Descriptions:

Single Presenter: Sessions are 50 minutes in length and may be program descriptions, qualitative research, or quantitative research papers. The conference planning committee may combine proposals with related topics submitted by single presenters with other single presenters to form 90 minute multiple presenter sessions.

Multiple Presenter / Panel Presentation: Sessions are 50 minutes in length and may be program descriptions, qualitative research, or quantitative research papers. Session organizers must have the consent of all participants prior to submission and prepare all presenters for active exchange of ideas rather than a series of individual presentations.

Poster Sessions: Poster Sessions allow maximum interaction among the presenter(s) and participants; they should include an introduction and brief presentation addressed to the audience at each station. The remaining time should allow participants to circulate among poster session stations. Poster specifications will be provided upon acceptance of the presentation.

Guidelines for Submitting Proposals:

You are invited to submit a proposal for the presentation of a paper, panel presentation, or poster session. All proposals will be submitted online at www.tedcec.org. Proposals must be submitted by May 1, 2009 to be considered. The proposal will include a description of the presentation (200-500 words), using the following headings: literature review, session objectives, relevance to the conference theme, learner outcomes and audience participation. Do not include names or institutional affiliation in the summary of the proposed presentation. The session leader only will receive correspondence regarding acceptance of the presentation proposal and is responsible for communications with session participants.

All presenters must register for and pay conference registration fees, travel, and other expenses. As per TED policy, conference registration must be received by September 15, 2009, or the presenter's name(s) will not be included in the conference program.

Selection Criteria:

The proposal review is a refereed process and the review team will be guided in the selection of proposals for presentation by the following criteria: (a) clarity and organization, (b) timeliness of content; (c) audience appeal; (d) presentation formats, including audience participation and the degree to which they reflect the conference theme. The review process will consider, where appropriate, acceptance of presentation proposals outside the conference theme based on their overall quality. Applicants will be notified of acceptance by July 1, 2009.

Conference Location:

The Thirty-Second Teacher Education Division Conference will be in Charlotte, North Carolina at the Omni Charlotte Hotel. This is an AAA four-diamond hotel in the heart of Charlotte's financial district and is located seven miles from the airport. The Hotel lobby is a short escalator ride from the Overstreet Mall which features more than 30 unique stores, boutiques and restaurants. The Omni Charlotte Hotel puts you near everything, from NASCAR and theme parks to cultural events and shopping. Perhaps no where else can you enjoy big-city entertainment with a flare of southern hospitality.

Hotel rates are \$169 single or double. These rates also apply three days before and after the conference if space is available. Reservations can be made by calling 1-800-THE-OMNI or directly to the hotel at 704-377-0400. You must mention the Teacher Education Division Council for Exceptional Children to receive the special rate. NOTE: To receive complimentary in room Internet services please enroll in Omni's Select Guest Rewards Program. Membership is free. Enroll at: <http://www.omnihotels.com/SelectGuestProgram/MemberBenefits.aspx>