SUBMISSION GUIDELINES

The deadline for all abstract submissions is **January 15, 2025**. All abstracts should follow the below guidelines and submitted through the following Google Form: https://tinyurl.com/arp2025. Abstracts that do not follow these guidelines will not be considered.

Types of Submissions

Five formats of programming are open for submissions: Symposium, Single Presenter, Idea/Data Blitz Presenter, Poster, and Hack-a-thon. The Program Committee will make a final selection of presentations based on quality, innovation, diversity, and balance of content in the overall conference program.

1. **Symposia:** Symposia are organized sessions around particular themes, topics, or methods related to personality psychology. Symposia will be scheduled for 75 minutes. The composition of Symposia submissions should have a minimum of 1 Symposium Chair and 3 speakers, but are otherwise flexible in format. For example, the Chair(s) can choose to develop a 75-minute symposium that is comprised of: 4 speakers only (15 minute talks, 3 minutes Q&A per talk), or 5 speakers (12 minute talks, 3 minutes Q&A per talk), or 4 speakers and 1 Discussant (12 minute talks by the speakers and discussant, with 15 minutes for Q&A), or 4 speakers and a panel discussion with the audience (5-10 minute talks, with the remaining time for panel and audience discussion). Chair(s) will be able to indicate what type of format they envision for the symposium in the submission form.

2. **Single Presenter:** Single presenter submissions allow authors to submit their science for consideration as a single presentation – i.e. without putting together a full symposium. These submissions will be reviewed and then grouped into symposia sessions with 4-5 other Single Presenters on similar topics (based on the authors' selected keywords). Single Presenter sessions will be scheduled for 60-75 minutes. Allotted time for the session will depend on the number of submissions, but each presenter will have at least 12 minutes for their presentation and 3 minutes for Q&A.

3. **Idea/Data Blitz Presenter:** Blitz presenter submissions allow authors to submit their work for consideration as a rapid-pace, 5-minute presentation. **NEW** this year: authors can submit to one of two kinds of blitz sessions: an *ideas* blitz presentation or a *data* blitz presentation. The Ideas Blitz Presenter submissions are intended to be a 5-minute presentation in which the scholar presents a new research idea or pre-registration to the audience in a rapid-pace format (no data have been collected and/or no analyses have been conducted). The aim of the ideas blitz presentation is for researchers to get feedback on new ideas from a supportive community of fellow personality psychologists and develop new collaborations. The Data Blitz Presenter submissions are intended to be a 5-minute presentation in which the scholar presents a single presentation (with data and results) in a rapid-pace format. Depending on the number of submissions to each

track, we anticipate grouping Idea Blitz Presenters into one session (10 presentations in 60 minutes) and Data Blitz Presenters into another session (10 presentations in 60 minutes).

4. **Poster:** Poster submissions allow authors to present their in-progress or completed work via poster sessions. Typically, 20-40 posters are included in one session, and each poster presenter is expected to discuss their research with attendees who visit the poster session. Depending on the number of submissions, there will be two poster sessions, each scheduled for 75 minutes.

5. **Hack-a-thon:** Hack-a-thon submissions allow scholars to propose facilitating a session that engages attendees to work together towards a common goal, and usually, to produce a product of some kind. Hack-a-thons typically benefit from having 1-3 Chair(s) who lead the session. Successful hack-a-thons are well-structured, identify a gap or need in the field that could benefit from a collaboration of scholars, can accomplish the given goal in a short time frame, develop a product that could be used by others, and identify ways to disseminate that product to the field. In contrast to more traditional conference programming, hack-a-thons are intended to leverage the in-person nature of the biennial meeting to bring together scholars and work together. For example, hack-a-thons could focus on generating guidelines for doing online narrative identity research in the age of AI, improving open-source software to implement novel quantitative methods in personality psychology, or developing open-access syllabi for teaching undergraduate/graduate personality courses. Depending on the number of submissions and final scheduling, hack-a-thons will be scheduled for 75 minutes.

Submission Checklist
The following information will be needed for submission:
1. **Author(s) name(s), email(s), affiliation(s), and chair designation** (for Symposia/Hack-a-thons)
2. **Type of submission:** Symposium, Single Presenter, Blitz Presenter, Poster, Hack-a-thon
   a. *Note:* For Symposium submissions, the Chair will be able to indicate whether the individual presentations that comprise the session would like to be considered for a Poster, if not accepted as a Symposium.
   b. *Note:* For Single Presenter submissions, the author will be able to indicate whether they would like to be considered for a Blitz Presentation and/or a Poster, if not accepted as a Single Presenter.
   c. *Note:* For Blitz Presenter, the author will be able to indicate whether they would like to be considered for a Poster, if not accepted as a Blitz Presenter.
3. **Title(s) and Abstract(s)**
   a. Abstracts can be a maximum of 1,200 characters (including spaces).
   b. *Note:* Symposia will submit an overall title/abstract and individual presentation titles and abstracts for each speaker in the symposium.
4. **Total N (sample size) across all studies**
5. **Nature of the sample** (e.g., undergraduate students, MTurk participants, children from the community).

6. **Keywords** (select up to 3 to characterize the topic(s) of your submission)
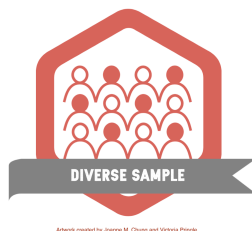7. **(Optional) Open Science Nomination Checklist**
   a. As part of our goal to highlight the rigor and reproducibility in personality psychology, presenters will be invited to self-nominate for an open science designation. This designation will be featured in the program next to presentation titles, along with URLs to project pages. Additionally, logos will be made available for speakers to add to their powerpoint slides, and stickers will be made available to put on posters for self-nominated submissions.

Open Science: for submissions that involve pre-registered research, or have materials, code, or data available to reproduce the research on an open repository like the Open Science Framework (OSF). If yes, please include a URL to the project page in the text box.

8. **(Optional) Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Nomination Checklist**
   a. As part of our goal to highlight the importance of diversity in personality psychology, presenters will be invited to self-nominate for up to four designations that might characterize their presentation (listed below). These designations will be featured in the program next to presentation titles. Additionally, logos will be made available for speakers to add to their powerpoint slides, and stickers will be made available to put on posters for self-nominated submissions. All artwork created by Joanne M. Chung and Victoria Pringle.

Diverse Sample: for submissions that purposefully include a sample of participants that enhance the diversity of the populations we study. This includes but is not limited to samples of people from non-Western contexts, 2SLGBTQIA+, immigrant groups, historically underrepresented racial-ethnic groups, and samples diverse in terms of age, gender, or socioeconomic status.

Construct Diversity: for submissions that expand the diversity of content/focus included in personality beyond the Big Five dimensions of personality.

Methodological Diversity: for submissions that include diverse methodologies beyond self-report, including but not limited to qualitative approaches, mixed-methods assessments, intensive measurement/ambulatory assessment, informant reports, emic/etic

approaches in cultural and cross-cultural studies, and administrative record linkages (e.g., census data, electronic medical records).

Consideration of Generalizability: for submissions that provide a brief, 3-4 sentence statement regarding the generalizability of the research findings. Generalizability statements will be printed in the program alongside the Abstracts.
Note: There will be a separate space for these sentences to be included with your submission; they do not need to be included in the Abstract itself. In the submission form, there will be specific prompts for author(s) to consider when developing a generalizability statement.

Rules and Requirements
1. **Number of submissions:** Scholars can only be chair, or first author, on one symposium (or symposium presentation), single presentation, blitz, or hack-a-thon session. There is no limit to the number of submissions on which a presenter may be a co-author. And, there is no limit on the number of first-authored poster abstract submissions.
2. **First and presenting author(s):** The first author is expected to present, unless otherwise noted on the submission.
3. **Data collection/results necessary for submission:** Consistent with larger changes in the field regarding evaluating the scientific rigor of the methods versus the significance of the results, and the long delay between time of submission (January 2025) and the actual conference (June 2025), data collection and analysis **do not** have to be complete at the time of submission. Although data collection and analysis do not need to be complete at the time of submission, the submission form will require the author to acknowledge that they will be complete in time for the conference in June 2025.
4. **Submission Withdrawals:** If it is necessary to withdraw a submission, please notify the Program Committee Co-Chairs as soon as possible.

Evaluation of Submissions
In light of conversations about the importance of transparency for open science, diversity, equity, inclusion, justice, and access, we aim to be transparent about the review criteria and selection process for ARP conference submissions. As a reminder, the biennial conference aims to showcase the diverse, innovative, and rigorous research being conducted in personality science, and as such, the review criteria reflect these priorities.

Review Criteria
All submissions will be anonymized before review by the program committee, so please do not include identifying information (e.g., author names or institutions) in the abstract. All submissions will be rated on the below criteria. The bullet point(s) listed below each criterion are guiding questions that reviewers will consider when rating submissions.
1) **Overall Quality** (5=excellent, 4=very good, 3=good, 2=fair, 1=poor)
   ○ What is your overall impression of the submission?

2) **Rigor** (4=very rigorous, 3=moderately rigorous, 2=slightly rigorous, 1=not rigorous)
   - ○ Does the submission demonstrate rigorous scientific practices?
     - i) Rigor can be defined in terms of sample size, multi-method data, longitudinal or mixed method designs, hard-to-collect data (qualitative, experience sampling, observational), representative and/or underrepresented samples, considering generalizability, use of open science practices (pre-registration, open materials or data), multi-study format, etc.
   - ○ Is the design/analytic approach appropriate for the question(s)?
   - ○ Is the interpretation warranted based on the data/design and results?
3) **Innovation** (4=very innovative, 3=moderately innovative, 2=slightly innovative, 1=not innovative)
   - ○ Does the submission advance our understanding of personality and individual differences?
4) **Interest** (4=very interesting, 3=moderately interesting, 2=slightly interesting, 1=not interesting)
   - ○ Does the submission have a high potential for generating interest and enthusiasm among ARP attendees?
5) **Feasibility (for Hack-a-thons only)** (1=feasible, 0=not feasible)
   - ○ Is the proposed submission feasible given the allotted time (75 minutes)?
   - ○ Is the hack-a-thon likely to be successful in achieving its proposed goal?

Selection Process

Program Committee members will note their potential Conflicts of Interest (e.g., author-reviewer, author-collaborator), and the Program Committee Co-Chairs will assign each submission to three members of the program committee while avoiding Conflicts of Interest.

We plan to accept all posters of acceptable quality based on reviewer scores (i.e., almost all submissions). Ratings will be standardized, averaged, and rank-ordered in priority for acceptance based on the author(s) desired presentation format. The number of submissions we can accept depends on the number of submissions we receive for each submission type and the space available in the program. Early career researchers (pre-PhD or within 3 years of obtaining PhD) will get priority for single presenter and blitz presenter submission types when there are ties. We anticipate scheduling more parallel tracks (3-4 tracks) in 2025 compared to 2023 (1-2 tracks).

Once the initial reviews are complete and the highest-priority submissions for each submission type are slotted into the program, we will make a list of submissions that will be rejected for their desired presentation format. For the rejected submissions that want to be considered for another presentation format, the Co-Chairs will review them and then select the top-scored submissions for their second- and third-choice presentation format as space allows.

After the review and selection process is complete, we will report the number of available open spots, number of submissions, and acceptance rate for each submission type to those who submitted to ARP 2025.

Notification of Decisions
We anticipate sending out notifications of submission decisions no later than **February 15th**.

Presenter Guidelines
We will send out ARP 2025 Presenter Guidelines in advance of the Biennial Meeting, which will include recommendations for chairs and presenters about suggested timing of sessions and strategies for moderating sessions, as well as logistics related to A/V, computers, hanging posters, etc.

Still Have Questions?
Please email the ARP 2025 Program Committee Co-Chairs (Olivia Atherton, Bill Chopik) at arp.biennial@gmail.com.