Call for Proposals
19th Annual Conference
Embracing Differences and Empowering Communities
June 17-19, 2020
PLUS: Extended Education Track on Language, Literacy and Culture June 19-20, 2020

The Cambio Center and conference organizers welcome abstract proposals of no more than 500 words for presentations, posters, workshops, and panels on best practices and/or scholarly and applied research for the 2020 Cambio de Colores Conference. We invite service providers, grassroots and advocacy organizations, education and healthcare providers that offer services to Latin@/Latinx/Hispanic and immigrant communities, as well as artists, academic researchers, students and extension specialists to submit by February 14, 2020 at 11:59 p.m.

The 2020 Cambio de Colores Conference theme is “Embracing Differences and Empowering Communities”. Although many people work hard to welcome and integrate immigrants and Latin@s/Latinxs/Hispanics into their communities, there remains increasingly negative rhetoric at local, state and federal levels, which marginalizes newcomers, sometimes even denying them access to basic public services. With the upcoming election, 2020 marks an important year for the possibility of political and social change by mobilizing Latin@s/Latinxs/Hispanics and immigrants to participate in the elections and to be counted in the Census. Including our communities in these important political activities can be empowering.

All submitted abstracts should relate to one or more of the conference tracks (each submission may select a primary and secondary track). For a detailed explanation, please refer to the Description of Conference Themes.

The following tracks provide the conference framework:

- Change and Integration
- Civil Rights & Political Participation
- Education
- Community and Economic Development
- Health
- Youth Development

Approved abstracts will present at the conference on June 17-19, 2020, with an Extended Education Track June 19-20, at the University of Missouri-St. Louis. Please note that all presenters will be responsible for their own travel expenses and conference registration fees ($175 early bird, $200 regular, and $110 students, for all conference days June 17-20; the Extended Education Track alone is $75). At least one author per presentation must register by April 10 to guarantee their participation in the program. Presenters will have the option to submit a paper for publication in the 2020 Cambio de Colores Proceedings. Please see the Paper Submission Requirements in the conference website for details on preparing articles.

Extended Education Track: This additional Education Track on Language, Literacy, and Culture will be offered Friday, June 19 and Saturday, June 20. Submissions are invited that focus on English Learners (ELs), bilingual education, dual language immersion education, the development of welcoming schools, and so on. For details, see the Description of Conference Tracks-Education section.

For more information and how to submit, visit the Cambio de Colores website: CambioConference.wordpress.com