

## **AEJMC 2021 Conference Paper Call Communication Technology Division**

The Communication Technology Division encourages research submissions where the central focus is communication technology and its impact on media processes and content as well as audiences, institutions, and society. Research in the division is focused on examining a broad range of trends as they relate to technology. Topics involving emerging technologies, including new media technologies and social media, are strongly encouraged. The division welcomes theoretical and conceptual papers as well as a diversity of methodological approaches from both faculty and students.

**Paper Formatting (Full Paper):** Please limit papers to no more than 30 pages (double-spaced) in length, including title page, abstract, tables, figures, references, and notes. Papers should follow the Publication Manual of the American Psychological Association (7th edition), have 1-inch margins, and use 12-point Times New Roman, Times, or Arial font. Abstracts must be no more than 75 words. The title should be on the first page, with page numbers and running heads on each page of text. All papers must be submitted in Word or PDF format through the AEJMC's ALL ACADEMIC website to the Communication Technology Division. Hard copy or electronic versions of papers submitted individually to the Research Chair will NOT be accepted. Please be sure to submit a clean paper without author-identifying information, such as name, university affiliation, job title, etc. Inclusion of identifying information will result in automatic disqualification of the paper. Before uploading your paper, exercise extra diligence to remove all author identification from the document, including any file properties or obvious reference to self-citations. Please refer to AEJMC's uniform paper call on how to upload clean papers. It is the responsibility of the paper author(s) to verify that no identifying information is contained in the paper text or in the document file properties.

**Paper Formatting (Extended Abstract):** In light of the extraordinary and historic disruptions to the lives of faculty members and graduate students as a result of the spread of the COVID-19 virus, we accept extended abstracts as well as full papers. For authors considering the extended abstract option, data collection and analysis must be at least 75% complete in order to meaningfully report tentative findings and conclusions. Authors should clearly report in the Method and Findings sections how far along the data collection and analysis phases are, respectively, and explain what steps remain and the anticipated value/contribution of these steps, so that reviewers can assess the foundations on which conclusions are based. The extended abstracts must be at least 750 words long but no more than 1,500 words. Extended abstracts must include a reference list and a 75-word summary of the abstract. (The reference list and summary are not included in the word count). When submitting in this format, authors must include the words "Extended Abstract" at the start of their paper title (e.g., "Extended Abstract: [Your paper title]"). Authors should clearly indicate the same on the title page of their submission. Submissions that are not appropriately labeled may be rejected. Please be sure to submit a clean paper without author-identifying information, such as name, university affiliation, job title, etc. Authors whose extended abstracts are selected for presentation at the conference must still submit their full paper before the conference.

**Student Paper Competition:** Graduate and undergraduate students are invited to submit original research regarding any topic related to communication technology. For a paper to be considered for a student paper award, all of the coauthors must be students. Faculty may not co-author any paper submitted to this category. (Papers co-authored by faculty and students should be submitted to the Faculty Paper Competition.) Papers submitted for the Student Paper Competition must clearly contain "Student Paper Competition" on the title page to be considered for the Student Paper Competition.

These papers are eligible for entry in the Jung-Sook Lee Student Paper competition. The Jung-Sook Lee Award recognizes the best student paper, which makes “a substantial contribution to the substance or method on a topic related to communication technology.” The award honors the division’s 1997-1998 research chair, Jung-Sook Lee of the University of Southwestern Louisiana, who died soon after the 1998 conference.

Authors of the top three student papers will receive a cash award. In addition, the author of the best student paper will have his or her conference registration fee paid by the division. For a paper to be considered for this award, **ALL** authors must be undergraduate or graduate students enrolled during the 2020-2021 academic year.

**Faculty Paper Competition:** The division is pleased to present the annual Gene Burd Top Faculty Research Paper Award, made possible by the generosity of Prof. Burd from the University of Texas – Austin. The \$1,000 award recognizes the best faculty paper submitted to the division. For a paper to be considered for this award at least one of the authors must be faculty.

Winners of both awards will receive their prize and be recognized at the conference. Submissions that do not win recognition in the Jung-Sook Lee Award or the Gene Burd Award are still considered for acceptance along with open competition submissions.

**Two Paper Limit:** Authors should also submit no more than two papers to the CTEC Division. An individual can appear as author or co-author on a maximum of two submitted research papers to the CTEC Division.

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