

Call for Papers, Panels, and Proposals

78TH ANNUAL CONFERENCE OF THE PENNSYLVANIA COMMUNICATION ASSOCIATION

“Disruption, Interruption, and Communication (Im)Possibilities”

Friday September 29, 2017, 5pm – 9pm &
Saturday September 30, 2017, 8am – 9pm

Charles J. Dougherty Ballroom
Duquesne University Power Center
600 Forbes Avenue, Pittsburgh, PA 15282

Submission Deadline: June 1, 2017

The 78th annual conference of the Pennsylvania Communication Association (PCA) will be held September 29-30, 2017 at the Duquesne University Power Center Ballroom. The theme “Disruption, Interruption, and Communication (Im)Possibilities” responds to the common use of the terms disruption and interruption to describe current events in academia, business, politics, and other realms of everyday life. Our hope is that the conference will encourage a thoughtful, reflective engagement of these terms and their communication implications. We invite all research methodologies as they relate to teaching, communication scholarship, or service activities. We welcome a range of philosophical and methodological perspectives.

Visit <http://www.pcasite.org> for more information.

*Please send submissions to Interest Council Chairs listed below by June 1, 2017:

Interest Council Chairs:

- Applied Communication – Paul Lucas, pal59@pitt.edu
- Communication Education – Jill Burk, jkb20@psu.edu
- Communication Ethics – Maryl McGinley, marylroberts@gmail.com
- Communication Honor Societies Interest Group – Joel Ward, jward@geneva.edu
- Health Communication – Linda Coleman, linda.coleman@sru.edu
- Interpersonal/Organizational Communication – Sheryl Goodman, sgoodman@ursinus.edu
- Languages of Communication – David M. Deluliis, daviddei@pitt.edu
- Mass Media and Society – Hans Schmidt, hcs10@psu.edu
- Media & Technology – Richard Talbert, rich.talbert@geneva.edu
- Performance Studies – John Lawson, lawsonj@rmu.edu
- Philosophy of Communication – Janie Harden Fritz, harden@duq.edu
- Poster Session – Cem Zeytinoglu, zeytinoglu@esu.edu
- Rhetoric and Public Address – Craig Maier, maier551@duq.edu
- Undergraduate Student Research Interest Group – Donna Weimer, weimer@juniata.edu

*All undergraduate submissions should be sent to the Undergraduate Student Research Interest Group.

Full Papers

Papers no longer than 25 pages in length are preferred. Abstracts will be considered.

Submissions should include:

- A detachable title page with the title of the paper and the author's affiliation, mailing address, telephone number, email address, and institutional affiliation.
- The word "debut" marked on all papers written by authors who have not presented previously at any communication convention or conference. The word "student" for all graduate or undergraduate authored papers.
- A one-page abstract on the second page, with the Statement of Professional Responsibility (see below).
- If the paper has multiple authors, please indicate who will be presenting at the conference.

Panel Proposals

Submissions of panel proposals should include:

- A thematic title for the program.
- Names of the chairs and respondents.
- Names, mailing addresses, telephone number, email address, and institutional affiliations of all participants.
- Titles and abstracts of no more than 150 words for each paper or presentation.
- A Statement of Professional Responsibility (see below).
- A detailed rationale for the program or panel.

STATEMENT OF PROFESSIONAL RESPONSIBILITY

Please include the following Statement of Professional Responsibility under the paper or panel abstract: "In submitting the attached paper or proposal, I/We recognize that this submission is considered a professional responsibility. I/We agree to present this panel or paper if it is accepted and programmed. I/We further recognize that all who attend and present at PCA's annual meeting must register and pay required fees."

AUDIO-VISUAL EQUIPMENT

Each room is equipped with a PC (with Internet access) which is connected to an overhead LCD projector. Please submit special AV requests at the time of notification of acceptance to present at the conference.

REGISTRATION

Registration information will be posted soon on the PCA website at www.pcasite.org

ACCOMMODATIONS

A block of rooms has been reserved at Cambria Hotel & Suites Pittsburgh-Downtown, the official hotel of the Pittsburgh Penguins.

Address: 1320 Centre Ave, Pittsburgh, PA 15219

Phone: (877) 305-7123 (Reservation Center is available Monday-Saturday)

Rate: \$119+ tax

Website: <https://goo.gl/Chou5w>

Please reference "Pennsylvania Communication Association Conference" to book your room at the group rate. Reservation deadline for the room block rate is Tuesday, September 19th.

Parking fees at the Cambria Hotel & Suites are \$18 per night; Complimentary transportation to Power Center is available.

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