

# 13th International Conference

## **University Resilience and Renaissance:**

The Challenge of Climate Change and Other Global Shifts

May 1-3, 2019 • San Juan, Puerto Rico Sheraton Puerto Rico Hotel & Casino

ASSOCIATION OF COLLEGES & UNIVERSITIES

# **Call for Presentations**

### Deadline to submit presentations is October 26, 2018

All presentations can be submitted and presented in English or Spanish

# Simultaneous translation (English/Spanish and Spanish/English) will be provided during the Concurrent Sessions and Plenary/Lunch events

The Hispanic Association of Colleges and Universities (HACU) will host its **13th International Conference**, **May 1 – 3**, **2019 in San Juan**, **Puerto Rico**. HACU's International Conference features sessions about the latest trends, model programs, research, and cutting-edge projects related to international education.

The conference provides an excellent opportunity to:

- Discuss key topics related to international higher education and the global community.
- Network, exchange ideas and information, and establish new partnerships for international collaboration among institutions of higher education.
- Hear about model programs, unique partnerships and funding opportunities that promote the internationalization of university campuses.

The conference will attract an internationally renowned roster of keynote speakers and an extraordinary gathering of participants representing higher education, government, business, community and philanthropic sectors from around the world. **Deadline for proposal submissions is October 26, 2018**.

You are invited to submit speaker proposals that address the conference theme, "University Resilience and Renaissance: The Challenge of Climate Change and Other Global Shifts" in any of the following five conference tracks:

#### TRACK I - Crisis Readiness and Planning

- · Identifying and Planning for Risks
- Creating Crisis Management Plans
- Emergency Preparedness: Ready for the Unthinkable?
- Creating Evacuation Plans
- How Universities Can Serve as Community Anchors during a Crisis

#### TRACK II - Recovering from Disaster

- · How to Coordinate Relief Efforts
- Faculty, Student and Staff Outreach during and after a Crisis
- How to Coordinate with Federal, State, Local and International Relief Agencies
- How to deal with Disease, Food, Water and Sanitation, Shelter and Settlements during and after Extreme Events
- How to Deal with Population Changes and Migration after Extreme Events

# TRACK III – Partnering on Infrastructure Rebuilding and Recovery

- Effective Partnerships
- Collaborative Grants and Shared Resources
- · Transparency and Accountability: Practices that Work
- Unique Multilateral Partnerships
- Effective Engagement between University Administration and External Parties

## TRACK IV – New Research and Education Paradigms on Climate Change and Natural Disasters

- Institutions of Higher Education and Climate Change Research
- Financing New Research Programs
- Health Impact of Climate Change and Natural Occurrences
- Managing Health Effects of Climate Change on Impoverished and Other Communities
- Global Health Inequities and Climate Change
- · International Education and Community Involvement
- · Education and the Environment

#### TRACK V - Advocacy for Better Educational Policies

- Innovative Educational Advocacy Models
- Universities Affecting Policy Changes
- Government Policies and Programs that Promote Environmental Research and International Collaboration
- Federal, State and University Partnerships that Work
- · Public Finance, Grants and Research Opportunities
- · Universities as Sources and Forces for Social Change



### **Conference Format**

**HACU's 13th International Conference** will feature plenary sessions with keynote speakers, and conference track sessions featuring individual presenters, panel discussions, and informative and interactive sessions.

Presentations are 90 minutes in length, including time for questions and discussion. A panel or roundtable session is composed of up to three presentations on different aspects of a specific topic. A workshop is an interactive session composed of one to three presentations aimed at developing a particular skill or knowledge in a specific area. No more than four individuals may serve on a panel or workshop session. In some instances, the HACU review committee may suggest combining presentations similar in content into one workshop or panel.

All conference rooms will be set up to accommodate the maximum number of conference participants possible. LCD projectors, laptops and screens are available to presenters at no cost. Additional equipment, such as internet connectivity and TVs, can be available at an additional cost to presenters.

### **Submission Guidelines**

- All proposals should relate to the conference theme, "University Resilience and Renaissance: The Challenge of Climate Change and Other Global Shifts."
- A Call for Presentations Online Submission Form must be submitted via HACU's website, www.hacu.net.
- Submissions must include the following:
  - 1. Presentation Title (10 word limit).
  - Presentation Abstract (50-75 word limit) A brief description to be included in the conference program.
  - 3. Presentation Plan (50 word limit) A brief description to be included in the conference program that provides an overview of expected audience involvement. Interactive presentations are highly encouraged.
  - Presentation Summary (250-300 word limit) –
     Extended description of proposal for committee review. Proposals will be reviewed for relevance to the conference theme, thoroughness and clarity, and expected learning outcomes.
- More than one proposal may be submitted, but only one will be accepted per presenter. Proposals can be submitted by one person or a group of no more than four people. The first presenter listed on the submission form will be considered the lead contact and is required to provide all contact information for co-presenters to HACU. HACU will notify the lead contact person if the proposal was selected. It is the responsibility of the lead contact person to notify the other presenters, and for organizing and facilitating the presentation.
- All presenters are required to register for the conference, but will be able to register at a discounted conference registration rate. HACU does not pay presenters honoraria, expenses, or waive the conference registration fee.
- HACU reserves the right to edit summaries of accepted presentations for inclusion in the conference program.

Presentation proposals must be submitted online and will be accepted until October 26, 2018. Notification of HACU workshop committee decisions will be made by November 16, 2018.

#### **About HACU**

The Hispanic Association of Colleges and Universities (HACU), founded in 1986, is a nonprofit 501(c)(3) association representing more than 470 colleges and universities in the United States, Puerto Rico, Latin America and Spain. Please visit www.hacu.net for information and updates on HACU's 13th International Conference.

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