



CALL FOR REFEREED PAPER & ACADEMIC POSTER ABSTRACTS

WACE, the University of Limerick and the WACE International Research Community (IRC) are excited to announce the **Call for Abstracts** for the **Fourth International Research Symposium** to be held **June 6-10, 2020 in Limerick, Ireland**. Hosted by Dr. Patrice Twomey, WACE Board of Director, and the University of Limerick, the Symposium will look to feature and showcase ongoing and new research in the CWIE community. Building upon the solid foundation of the previous three International Research Symposia, the Symposium International Advisory Committee seeks abstracts on a broad range of research topics and subjects. The Committee is particularly interested in new and developing CWIE research for both Refereed Research Papers and Academic Posters from established researchers, emerging researchers, and program professionals who wish to explore and more fully develop research topics. The intended audience for the IRS is faculty, academic administrators and program managers and staff who wish to discuss and utilize the latest research and trends.

INTERNATIONAL RESEARCH SYMPOSIUM THEME “CWIE Research: Advancing Quality and Global Impact”

RESEARCH TOPICS OF INTEREST AS IDENTIFIED BY THE WACE INTERNATIONAL RESEARCH COMMUNITY (IRC)

- Enhancing Quality of CWIE programs and partnerships
- Promoting Inclusivity of underrepresented populations
- Increasing Mobility by scaling up international work-integrated experiences, intercultural fluency
- Measuring the Impact of CWIE Programs on Students, employers, host organizations, society, economy

**WACE's 4th International Research Symposium will focus on
RESEARCH & DEVELOPMENT in CWIE*
and will feature
REFEREED RESEARCH PAPERS & ACADEMIC POSTERS.**

** Cooperative & Work Integrated Education (CWIE) is a term created by WACE to acknowledge and embrace all forms of work-integrated learning.*

Please use this link to use the Abstract Submission Form to submit your 250 word abstract:
<https://waceinc.org/limerick2020/abstractsubmit.html>

Refereed Research Paper & Academic Poster Deadlines

REFEREED RESEARCH PAPERS:

September 15, 2019 to February 1, 2020: Abstract Submission Period for Refereed Research Papers

February 15, 2020: Full Refereed Research Papers due for double blind review

April 15, 2020: Double Blind Review ends and authors will receive comments by this date

May 1, 2020: Refereed Research Paper Presenters must register to be included in International Research Symposium Program

June 1, 2020: (Optional) Revised Refereed Research Papers due (based on reviewers' comments)

ACADEMIC POSTERS:

September 15, 2019 to April 22, 2020: Abstract Submission Period for Academic Posters

May 1, 2020: Academic Poster presenters must register to be included in the International Research Symposium Program

REFEREED RESEARCH PAPERS

General Information

Description: Refereed Research Papers are those that feature empirical work and may be either Quantitative, Qualitative, or Mixed Methods research.

Blind-Review Process: The review of the submitted paper will be conducted through a double blind-review process.

Online Conference Proceedings: The accepted papers will be featured in the online Symposium Proceedings, which are housed on the WACE website. The online Symposium Proceedings will contain an assigned ISBN.

Unlike previous years, once a paper has been presented at the symposium, the paper CANNOT be withdrawn from the proceedings.

Presentation: Presentations will be scheduled in a 35-minute time slot, with indicatively 25 minutes of presentation and 10 minutes of discussion.

Submission Guidelines

(please note that the guidelines are different from previous years)

Research Papers: All Refereed Research Papers should focus on CWIE research.

Submission Criteria: If the abstract is accepted, a full paper must be submitted no later than February 15, 2020 for the double blind-review process, in which the paper will be reviewed by a team of international reviewers who will submit completed evaluation forms, which may contain recommendations for improvement (to be conveyed to author(s)), to the WACE Secretariat.

Full Refereed Paper Requirements:

- Papers must have a **MINIMUM of 1,500 words and a MAXIMUM of 2,000 words**. This word limit includes tables but excludes the reference list and cover page.
- **There should be NO abstract in the proceedings paper.**
- APA format must be used. Please carefully check the reference list for appropriate APA formatting.
- **On the cover page, include the title of the paper and all author names and institutions** (the author information will be removed for the double-blind review process).
- Papers must be sent in **Microsoft Word ONLY**, PDF versions will not be accepted and will be returned to the submitting author.

Developing a Journal Article from the Conference Proceedings

Authors may want to develop a journal article from the same work presented in the IRS proceedings. The changes to the 2020 IRS Proceedings Guidelines have been purposely made to limit the possibility of too much overlap with a subsequent journal article.

As a general guide for proceedings papers, authors should only present a facet of the data and the analysis rather than all the findings, limit or avoid implications arising from the work (but authors may want to discuss these during the oral presentation), limit the scope of the literature review, and focus more on describing the findings rather than critically discussing the findings. The Proceedings Paper should be a snapshot of what work the authors are currently undertaking. A Journal Article should be the full, comprehensive, and final product of a completed work.

For transparency, the subsequent journal article should include an acknowledgement that "an earlier version of this work was presented in YEAR at the NAME conference".

ACADEMIC POSTERS

General Information

Description: All Academic Posters should focus on the International Research Symposium Theme and will present a variety of contributions on different topics, from different countries, and using different theoretical perspectives and methodologies. There will be a designated Academic Poster Session during the International Research Symposium which all delegates will attend.

Presentation: Presentations will be scheduled in a one hour time slot, for attendance by all International Research Symposium delegates.

Submission Guidelines

Submission Criteria: Each submission must include the following:

- **Title, authors and affiliations** (only the first author will be contacted. He/she is responsible for contacting other authors regarding acceptance of the submission).
- A maximum 250 word **abstract** detailing the study, the methodology, and the results.

Academic Poster Requirements:

- Upon acceptance, the academic poster should be scientific and contain the following sections: Title, Author(s) and affiliation(s), Abstract, Introduction with Rationale, Methods, Results, Discussion, Implications, and References.
- The dimensions should be 70 cm (wide) X 100 cm (high).
- Font size should be 68 – 75 for the title, 40 – 50 for headings, and 22 – 28 for all text, figures, and tables.
- The presenter(s) should bring paper copies and business cards for distribution.
- No projector is available in the room.

ABOUT THE UNIVERSITY OF LIMERICK

The University of Limerick is an independent, internationally focused university with over 11,600 students and 1,300 staff. It is a young, energetic and enterprising university with a proud record of innovation in education and excellence in research and scholarship. Its cooperative education program is globally connected and one of the largest in Europe. Each year, the Cooperative Education Program works with about 1,500 employers, both in Ireland and internationally, to secure placements for 1,600 undergraduates. Co-op is an essential part of the overall academic fabric of the university.

ABOUT LIMERICK

Limerick was founded by Vikings in the 9th century, making it one of Ireland's oldest cities! On the banks of the mighty River Shannon, Limerick is quirky, vibrant and utterly individual. From its beautiful Georgian architecture, grand museums and eclectic culture, it will win you over with its unique charm.

There are few better places to discover Limerick's cultural heart than the beautifully restored [Milk Market](#) on Cornmarket Row. It's like a microcosm of the city: colorful, fun, energetic, with occasional pop-up restaurant events, artisan foods, antiques, music and art. Wander down the alley of the nearby Fox's Bow, and you'll find a curiously quirky collection of craft, leather and jewelry stores, where you can pick up everything from Celtic silver to a blackthorn shillelagh (a traditional walking stick).

Meanwhile, in the medieval heart of the city on King's Island, you can explore the 800-year-old [King John's Castle](#). This remains one of the most intact medieval castles in Ireland, and boasts incredible views out over the River Shannon. It was here that the mighty siege of Limerick took place in 1690: pop into any of the castle's on-site history exhibition and get the full story.

Mark your calendars now for the **WACE International Research Symposium, June 6-10, 2020**, and join us in enchanting Limerick, Ireland.

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