

Call for Presentation and Poster Proposals

International Conference on “Nepalese Diaspora: Hostland Challenges and Homeland Interests”

March 19, 2011

Nepalese Student Association, New Mexico State University (NMSU) is pleased to invite you to submit presentation and poster proposals for its third annual conference incorporating the theme *Nepalese Diaspora: Hostland Challenges and Homeland Interests*.

Conference Goal

The goal of the conference is to bring together members of the Nepalese Diasporas communities to discuss challenges in various aspect of socio-cultural and professional life in hostland and their potential role for the development of Nepal. Currently, significant numbers of Nepalese are residing in developed countries. They are plunged into a rich scientific, technical, and other professional environment and they have huge potential of drawing resources of this environment for contributing their homeland. This conference would help advance Diaspora knowledge network, exchange ideas, and harness society’s capital asset – social, financial, and intellectual for the progress and prosperity of Nepal.

Topics

Presentations and posters may include but are not limited to the following topics of interest:

- Diaspora knowledge network
- Economic development and infrastructures (electricity, transportation, communication, irrigation, etc.)
- Health, education, literacy, and population sector
- Science, Engineering, and technology
- Development of Information and communication technologies
- Socio-political and cultural transformation
- Foreign employment, brain drain, and immigration (international migration)

Important Dates

- Proposal submission deadline: March 5, 2011
- Notification to author(s)/presenter(s): March 11, 2011
- Conference date: March 19, 2011 (9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.)
- Venue: New Mexico State University, Las Cruces, New Mexico, USA.
- Proceedings Submission Deadline: To be announced
- Proceedings Publication Date: To be announced

Symposium's Format

This is a one-day conference and will be divided into three consecutive events. All presentations will be awarded a 15-minute for presentation and 5 minutes for discussion. The lunch hour roundtable symposia and the invited speakers will be awarded a 30-minute.

Symposium Event I: 9:00-11:30 Interdisciplinary

Symposium Event II: 11:30-12:00 (Lunch and roundtable talk, panels, posters, etc.)

Symposium Event III: 12:15-5:00 (Common Platform, Keynote address, invited speakers)

Main categories for Symposium I: This will be an interdisciplinary academic and professional symposium. This symposium includes, but is not limited to Education, Science, Engineering, Health & sports, Economics & business management, Information communication technologies, Law, History, etc.

Main categories for Symposia II & III: These symposia cover, but are not limited to, Diasporas communities and Diaspora knowledge network, current and emerging aspects of socioeconomic, political, and cultural development issues, challenges, opportunities, and strategies for reconstruction of Nepal.

Submission Guidelines

Proposal contents: The length of proposal should be between 250-750 words. With a special request to the organizer, however, a presenter can extend his or her proposal up to 1000 words. The reference section will not be counted toward the proposal's word limit.

Review process: A two-member review panel will review the proposal and recommend for acceptance with or without review comments on the proposal.

Proposal acceptance and rejection: Based on the opinion of the review panel, NeSA's Research and Academic subcommittee reserves the right to accept or reject the proposals and proceedings papers.

Registration fee: No registration fee will be required. But any voluntary contributions for conducting the conference are always welcome.

Audio-visual equipments: AV equipments for PowerPoint presentations will be provided. Any other equipment or arrangement requests must be made at the time of proposal submission.

Submission: Send your abstract to academic.nesa@gmail.com

Authors interested to submit papers are advised to visit this link for the preparation of presentation: http://web.nmsu.edu/~wwwgsc/gras/prep_presentation.html

Lunch & beverages: A lunch hour refreshment will be served by NeSA-NMSU.

We look forward to your proposals

Organizer

Nepalese Students' Association,
New Mexico State University, Las Cruces, NM
<http://web.nmsu.edu/~nesa>

Further questions, and inquires

Conference Coordinator
Suresh Gautam
Email: academic.nesa@gmail.com