

AEJMC High Density Sessions Presenter Guide

A **High-Density Session** at AEJMC is a dynamic, fast-paced presentation format that combines elements of traditional paper panels and interactive poster sessions. In this format, multiple presenters each deliver a brief, time-limited overview of their research—typically around four minutes—highlighting key insights and contributions rather than full-length presentations. Following these concise overviews, the session shifts into an extended discussion period where audience members can move freely throughout the room to engage directly with presenters whose work interests them most. This structure allows for broader participation, deeper individualized conversations, and greater audience choice. High-Density Sessions are designed to maximize scholarly exchange while encouraging clear, accessible communication and inclusive engagement among all participants.

Overview & Rationale

The High-Density Session format is designed as a hybrid between a traditional paper panel and a poster session. It allows for a larger number of presenters while creating meaningful opportunities for individualized discussion. Because of the number of presenters, **concise presentations and structured engagement are essential**.

This format prioritizes:

- Efficient knowledge sharing
- Audience choice and engagement
- Direct interaction between presenters and attendees

Session Format

Presentation Overview (4 minutes per presenter)

- Each presenter will have **4 minutes** to provide a brief overview of their research.
- Time limits will be **strictly enforced**.
- No audience questions will be taken during the presentation sequence.
- Presentations should function as:
 - Executive summaries
 - Key findings highlights
 - Invitations for deeper discussion

Discussion Period (~30 minutes)

- After all presentations:
 - Presenters will move to designated areas in the room.
 - Attendees will circulate and engage with presenters individually.
- A discussant will:
 - Facilitate engagement
 - Support audience navigation
 - Encourage equitable participation

Presenter Setup

- Each presenter will have:
 - A **posted sign** with paper title and authors
- Presenters should:
 - Stand near their assigned area
 - Be prepared for one-on-one or small group discussions

Handouts

Presenters are strongly encouraged to provide a **1-page handout** including:

- Research overview
- Key findings
- Contact information

Note: No AV equipment is provided.

Presenter Accessibility Guidelines

To support AEJMC's commitment to inclusive and accessible scholarship, all presenters in High Density Sessions are expected to follow these accessibility practices:

Accessible Verbal Presentations

- Speak **clearly and at a moderate pace**
- Briefly **describe your research topic in plain language**
- Avoid excessive jargon or define key terms
- Use a microphone if available or project your voice clearly

Inclusive Engagement During Discussion

- Be attentive to:
 - Individuals with hearing, visual, or mobility needs
- When speaking one-on-one:
 - Face the attendee when speaking
 - Repeat or rephrase questions if needed
- Allow time for:
 - Clarification
 - Follow-up questions

Accessible Handouts (Strongly Recommended)

- Use **minimum 12–14 pt font**
- Include **high-contrast text (dark text on light background)**
- Avoid overly dense text blocks
- Include a **digital access option**, such as:
 - QR code linking to paper or slides
 - Short URL

Visual & Spatial Accessibility

- Stand in a location that allows:
 - Clear access for individuals using mobility devices
- Keep materials within reachable range
- Ensure signage is:
 - Clearly visible
 - Readable from a distance

Digital Accessibility (If Sharing Materials)

If providing digital content:

- Use accessible PDFs (tagged if possible)
- Provide alt-text descriptions for images when applicable
- Ensure links are clearly labeled

Respectful & Inclusive Interaction

- Be mindful of diverse communication styles
- Allow extra processing time when needed
- Engage respectfully with all participants

Chair & Discussant Accessibility Support

Session leaders should:

- Reinforce timekeeping to reduce cognitive overload
- Encourage inclusive participation during discussion
- Assist attendees in locating presenters
- Support presenters in maintaining accessible interactions