

Call for Papers

Annual Meeting, Population Association of America Deadline for Submissions: October 5, 2025

We welcome your submissions for the PAA 2026 Annual Meeting and look forward to a full and rigorous scientific conference in St. Louis next spring (May 6–9)!

Please note a few important items:

- All accepted presenters will be *required to register* for the conference by February 4, 2026.
- Individuals can only serve as a presenting author twice on the program (but can have additional roles such as chair or discussant).
- Organizers will not review papers from authors with whom they have a conflict of interest (close collaborators or current students/postdocs). As such, please do not submit your abstract to someone with whom you may have a conflict of interest.
- Unfortunately, *PAA cannot accommodate schedule requests*; if your paper or poster is accepted, it could be scheduled any time during the annual meeting dates.

Thank you in advance for your submission; we look forward to a great annual meeting in 2026!

Sincerely,

Marcy Carlson and Sarah Burgard PAA 2026 Program Co-Chairs

Instructions for Submitting a Paper

Presenters, discussants, chairs and session organizers must register for the conference. All presenting authors must register for the conference by February 4, 2026 to confirm their intention to attend and present. PAA members receive a preferred rate for annual meeting registration, and all participants are strongly encouraged to join. Learn more about PAA membership online.

Online submissions will be made through the MiraSmart software submission system. Please use this link https://submissions.mirasmart.com/PAA2026/Splash.aspx (the link will be live when submissions open). Authors are asked to submit both: a) a short abstract (150 words); and b) either an extended abstract (2-4 pages, including tables) or a completed paper. You may modify your submissions at any time until the October 5th deadline.

Extended abstracts must be sufficiently detailed to allow the session organizer to judge the merits of the paper. Typically, extended abstracts consist of a statement of the research question (and the underlying theory, if appropriate), the data and research methods, and preliminary findings. If your submission is accepted for a regular session, you are asked to upload the full paper by April 15, 2026, to allow the discussant sufficient time to read it.

The PAA 2026 submission website will allow session organizers to view the titles and authors of submitted abstracts as they are submitted. The author making the submission must provide the full name, affiliation, country, and email address of each co-author. Use the search function to add co-authors to avoid duplicate records, and choose to add them only if there is no record found. If the affiliation is incorrect, select the record anyway and have the co-author update it in the PAA database. Doing so will ensure that all of the co-authors' submissions appear under the same record, that they are able to have any changes made in the database applied universally, and that they are able to download visa/acceptance letters.

At the time of submission, if there are multiple co-authors, one must be identified as the presenting author. (See below for specification of PAA's two-presenter rule.) Author information can be revised until the program is finalized; you will be informed of the deadline via email.

Sessions are numbered and if you wish to have your abstract considered by two organizers, you must indicate the session numbers of your first and second choices. The first designated organizer is given first right of acceptance. No paper/abstract may be submitted to more than two sessions.

In addition to the sessions listed in this Call for Papers, up to 100 "overflow" sessions will be created at the request of session organizers who receive large numbers of submissions. In choosing where to submit your paper, keep in mind that session organizers with broad session titles may end up organizing two or three sessions.

Instructions for Submitting a Poster

Members are encouraged to submit abstracts/papers for consideration as posters. All the above instructions also apply to poster submissions. Authors who wish to have a submission considered *only* for a poster session should submit to Session 1702. This may be a particularly good option for papers that do not fit into any regular or flash sessions.

An author who is submitting a paper to one or two regular sessions, or a regular session and a flash session, may ask that the submission also be considered for a poster session if it is not accepted in the regular or flash session. This is accomplished by checking "yes" in the appropriate box of the online submission form. Unless you check "yes," your paper will not be considered for a poster.

Two-Presentations Rule

Each person is limited to a maximum of two presentations across oral, flash and poster sessions, and four appearances in total, encompassing the roles of presenter, chair, and discussant. However, there is no limit on how many times a person can appear on the program as a co-author. Single-authored papers must be presented by the author. For multiple-authored papers, at the time of submission a presenter must be designated; once all sessions are finalized, there will be a short time interval when presenter status can be revised.

Important Dates*

August 18, 2025 Submissions open

October 5, 2025 (11:59 PM, PST) Submissions close

November 24-27, 2025 Authors are notified of papers accepted into oral

sessions

December 1, 2025 Registration open

December 8-11, 2025 Authors are notified of papers accepted into poster

sessions

February 4, 2026 Deadline for presenting authors, chairs and

discussants to register

April 15, 2026 Deadline to upload full papers

^{*}Dates subject to change. If you have questions, please contact bobbie@popassoc.org.

PAA 2026 Sessions and Organizers

To submit a paper to PAA 2026, please visit the submissions website at https://submissions.mirasmart.com/PAA2026/Splash.aspx. (Link will be live once submissions open.)

1 Aging and the Life Course

101 Flash: The Demography of Care for Older Adults

Yongxin Shang Cornell University

102 Family Complexity and Change Over the Life Course

Zachary Van Winkle Sciences Po's Centre for Research on Social Inequalities (CRIS)

103 Aging, Climate, & Health

Ying Huang University of Texas at San Antonio

104 Employment & Economic Well-being in Later Life

Robert Manduca University of Michigan

105 Early Life Exposures & Health Across the Life Course

Anna Hammersmith Grand Valley State University

106 Policy and Cognitive Health

Haowei Wang Syracuse University

107 Flash: Social Connectedness Across the Lifecourse

Nekehia Quashie University of Rhode Island

108 Aging & the Life Course in LMICs

Qixin Cai University of Pennsylvania

109 Population Aging, Disability, and Gender

Na Yin

Baruch College & CUNY Institute for Demographic Research

110 Flash: Mental Health over the Life Course

Man Zhang

University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill

111 Biosocial Approaches to Aging Research

Lauren Schmitz University of Wisconsin - Madison

2 Applied Demography

201 Flash: Visualizing Demographic Change: Maps, Dashboards, and Data Storytelling

Sarah Burgoyne Tampa Bay Partnership

202 Demographics of Labor Markets

Ethan Sharygin Portland State University

203 Real-World Applications of Demographic Techniques

Rachel Cortes Claritas

3 Children, Youth and Intergenerational Ties

301 Long-Term Effects of Childhood Conditions

Hayley Pierce

Brigham Young University

302 Kinship and Intergenerational Relationships

Bussarawan Teerawichitchainan National University of Singapore

303 Social Policy and Child Well-being

Natasha Pilkauskas University of Michigan

304 Comparative and International Perspectives on Children and Parenting

Airan Liu Peking University

305 Spatial Dimensions of Child Well-being

Kierra Sattler

University of North Carolina at Greensboro

306 Disruptive Events and the Well-being of Children and Youth

Anna Baranowska-Rataj Umea University

307 Race/Ethnicity, Immigration and Child Wellbeing

Han Liu

University of Texas at San Antonio

308 Medicaid at 60 Years: Impacts of Health Policy on Children and Parents

Margot Jackson Brown University

309 Flash: Demography of Childhood and the Life Course

Annaliese Grant University of Nevada

4 Data and Methods

401 Modeling Demographic Processes

Jenna Nobles

University of California, Berkeley

402 Statistical and Bayesian Methods in Demography

Shawn Bauldry Purdue University

403 AI and the Frontiers of Computational Methods

Elizabeth Bruch University of Michigan

404 Spatial Data Collection and Methods

Katerina Brandt Beach Harvard University

405 Causal Inference in Population Research

Kenneth Bollen

University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill

406 Flash: Data Availability and Access

Margaret Levenstein University of Michigan

407 Genetics and Demographic Outcomes

David Braudt

National Institute on Aging

Daniel Adkins University of Utah

408 Flash: Data Challenges and Innovations in Low- and Middle-Income Contexts

Ilene Speizer

University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill

409 Innovations in Survey Design, Data Collection, and Measurement

Arie Kapteyn

University of Southern California

410 Digital Trace and Found Data

Elizabeth Jacobs

University of Connecticut

5 Demography of Low- and Middle-Income Countries

501 Population Dynamics and their Consequences for Youth in Low- and Middle-Income Countries

Jaques Emina

University of Kinshasa

502 Flash: Life Course Health and Aging in Low- and Middle-Income Countries

Feinian Chen

Johns Hopkins University

503 Climate, Conflict, and Crisis Migration within and between Low- and Middle-Income Countries

David Lindstrom

Brown University

504 Demographic Change and Family Inequality in Low- and Middle-Income Countries

Daniela Urbina

University of Southern California

6 Demography, Public Policy and Legal Institutions

601 Public Policy and Population Health

Emma Zang

Yale University

602 Flash: State Policies and Demographic Outcomes

Iliva Gutin

Syracuse University

603 Public Policy and Inequality of Place

Rourke O'Brien Yale University

604 Housing Policy and Demography

Peter Hepburn Rutgers University-Newark

605 Public Policy and Internal and International Migration

Rebecca Schut Case Western Reserve University

606 Public Policy and Fertility

Emily Smith-Greenaway University of Southern California

7 Education, Work and Economic Inequality

701 Demography, Education, and Social Change

Vida Maralani Cornell University

702 Educational Pathways: Persistence, Attrition, and Attainment

Joel Mittleman University of Pennsylvania

703 Flash: Educational Inequality

Ian Lundberg University of California, Los Angeles

704 Education and Social Mobility

Angelina Grigoryeva University of Toronto

705 Causes and Consequences of Workplace Inequalities

William Dow University of California, Berkeley

706 Economic Instability, Unemployment, and Social Policy

David Brady University of Southern California

707 Work/Family, Gender, and Care Work

Dawn Dow University of Maryland

708 Older Workers, Longer Working Lives, and Health

Leah Abrams
Tufts University

709 Women's Labor Force Participation and Economic Inequality Across the Lifecourse

Sarah Flood

University of Minnesota

710 Poverty, Hardship, and Public Policy

Alec Rhodes

University of Wisconsin-Madison

711 Wealth Inequality: International Comparative Perspectives

Manuel Schechtl

University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill

712 Assets, Debt, and Stratification

Alexandra Killewald University of Michigan

713 Intergenerational Mobility: Income, Occupation, Education, and Class

Xiang Zhou Harvard University

714 Flash: Economic Inequality: Patterns, Causes, and Effects

Timothy Smeeding University of Wisconsin-Madison

8 Family Demography

801 Changing Families and Households

Christine Percheski Northwestern University

Sunnee Billingsley Stockholm University

802 Family Caregiving

I-Fen Lin University of Missouri

803 Comparative and International Perspectives on Families

Sinn Won Han Yonsei University

804 Families and Inequalities

Elena Pojman

Max Planck Institute for Demographic Research

805 Families, Health, and Well-being

Claire Kamp-Dush

University of Minnesota

806 Families and Children's Outcomes Michelle

Livings

Princeton University

807 Parenting

Allison Dunatchik

University of South Carolina

808 Families, Law, and Public Policy Katherine

Michelmore

University of Michigan

809 Gender, Families, and Paid Labor

Giulia Olivero

Cornell University

810 Flash: Gender, Families, and Unpaid

Labor Anita Li

U.S. Census Bureau

811 Flash: Intergenerational Relationships

Shannon Cavanagh

University of Texas, Austin

Anna Haskins

University of Notre Dame

812 Kinship and Family Relationships

Heeju Sohn

Emory University

813 Union Formation, Dissolution, and Singlehood

Yiang Li

University of Chicago

Ophir Ariane

Centre d'Estudis Demogràfics

814 Assortative Mating

Luca Pesando

NYU - Abu Dhabi

815 Queer Family Demography

Amanda Baumle

University of Houston

816 Race, Ethnicity, Migration & Family Life

Andrew Taeho Kim

University of Tennessee, Knoxville

9 Fertility, Family Planning, Sexual Behavior and Reproductive Health

901 Contraception & Family Planning

Megan Kavanaugh

Guttmacher Institute

Katherine Tumlinson

University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill

902 Long-run Effects of Access to Contraception, Abortion, and Medically Assisted Reproduction

Marianne Bitler

University of California, Davis

Mayra Pineda Torres

Georgia Institute of Technology

903 Methodological Innovations in the Study of Fertility

Nicholas Mark

University of Wisconsin-Madison

Leslie Root

University of Colorado, Boulder

904 Population Dynamics

Francisco Billari

Bocconi University

905 Childfree, Childlessness, Non-Parenthood, and Population Change

Eunsil Oh

University of Wisconsin-Madison

906 Pronatalism, Antinatalism, and Population Policies

Sarah Hayford

The Ohio State University

907 Demography of Reproduction: Menarche, Menopause, Pregnancy, the Perinatal Period

Claire Margerison

Michigan State University

908 Abortion

Alexandra Wollum Ibis Reproductive Health

Ushma Upadhyay University of California, San Francisco

909 Person-Centered, Justice-Oriented Reproductive Health: Evidence & Measurement

May Sudhinaraset

University of California, Los Angeles

910 Environment, Disaster, Conflict: Effects on Fertility and Reproductive Health

Joshua Wilde Oxford University

911 Uncertainty, Partnership, and Fertility

Melanie Guldi

University of Central Florida

912 Flash: Reproductive Health Inequality

Yohannes Wado

African Population and Health Research Center

Abigail Weitzman

University of Texas at Austin

913 Migration, Fertility, and Family

Alicia Adsera

Princeton University

914 Reproductive Coercion and IPV

Yasamin Kusunoki

University of Michigan

Jessica Dozier

University of Michigan

915 Pregnancy and Fertility Goals, Preferences, Desires, Intentions

Kasev Buckles

University of Notre Dame

Kathryn Kost

Guttmacher Institute

916 Fertility Decline and Low Fertility

Martha Bailey

University of California, Los Angeles

Karen Guzzo

University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill

917 Heterodox, Feminist, and Critical Perspectives on Demography

Sonalde Desai

University of Maryland

10 Gender and Sexual Identity

1001 Gender, Sex, Sexuality and Health

Emily Dore

Harvard University

1002 Transgender and Gender Expansive Demography

Madeline Smith-Johnson

Rice University

1003 Innovations in Measurement on Gender, Sex, and Sexuality

Jamie Budnick

Cornell University

1004 Gender Inequality

Lawrence Stacey

Vanderbilt University

1005 Policy and Contextual Effects in studying LGBTQ Populations

Christopher Julian

Bowling Green State University

11 Health and Health Behavior

1101 Health Behaviors and Lifestyles

Elizabeth Lawrence

University of Nevada, Las Vegas

1102 The Social Safety Set, Health Care, and Health

Anneliese Luck

University of Pennsylvania

1103 Immigration, Race, and Health

Darwin Baluran

Washington University in St. Louis

1104 Biology and Population Health

Colter Mitchell

University of Michigan

1105 Socioeconomic Disparities in Health

Lucie Kalousova

Vanderbilt University

1106 Place, Housing, and Health

Andrew Fenelon

University of Minnesota, Twin Cities

1107 Flash: Population Health Trends Over Time

Antonino Polizzi

Max Planck Institute for Demographic Research

1108 Race, Intersectionality, and Health

Christy Erving

University of Texas at Austin

Courtney Williams

University of Texas at Austin

1109 Flash: Extreme Heat, Climate Stress, and Population Health

Miyuki Hino

University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill

1110 LGBTQ+ Health

Bethany Everett

University of Utah

1111 Women/femmes, Disability, and Health

Hui Liu

Purdue University

1112 Structural Racism and Health Outcomes

Alexis Dennis

McGill University

12 Migration and Immigration

1201 Consequences of Immigration Policy

Julia Gelatt

Migration Policy Institute

1202 Life after Deportation or Return

Nicole Denier

Colby College

1203 Migration and Demographic Dynamics: Impacts on Age-Sex Structure, Mortality or Fertility

Víctor M. García-Guerrero

El Colegio de México

1204 Flash: Innovative Approaches to Migration Research

Filiz Garip

Princeton University

1205 Migration and the Life-Course

Silvia Loi

Max Planck Institute for Demographic Research

1206 Historical and Contemporary Mechanisms of Migration

Peter Catron

University of Washington

1207 Environment and Migration

Brianna Castro

Vanderbilt University

1208 Migrant Selectivity and its Effects

Cynthia Feliciano

Washington University in St. Louis

1209 Immigrant Incorporation and Adaptation

Lucas Drouhot

NYU-Shanghai

1210 Flash: Migration and Health Outcomes

Nafeesa Andrabi

University of Southern California

1211 Flash: Multi-National Perspectives on Immigrant Well-being

Leafia Ye

University of Toronto

13 Mortality and Morbidity

1301 Geographic and Spatial Inequalities in Health and Mortality

Dustin Brown

Mississippi State University

1302 Migration, Health, and Mortality

Zoya Gubernskaya

SUNY-Albany

1303 Maternal, Infant, and Reproductive Health and Mortality

Payal Hathi

University of California Berkeley

1304 Social, Political, and Structural Determinants of Health and Mortality

Theresa Andrasfay

California State University San Marcos

1305 Mortality Levels and Trends

Neil Mehta

University of Texas Medical Branch

1306 Morbidity and Mortality in Low- and Middle-Income Countries

Sneha Mani

Johns Hopkins University

1307 Socioeconomic and Racial/Ethnic Inequalities in Mortality

Joseph Lariscy

Texas A&M University

1308 Compositional Change and Mortality Trends

Alyson Van Raalte

Max Planck Institute for Demographic Research

1309 Mortality Modeling, Forecasting, and Computational Approaches

Ugofilippo Basellini

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1310 Flash: Climate, Environmental Change, and Population Health

Jasmin Abdel Ghany University of Oxford

1311 Flash. Demography and Infectious Disease

Amy Winter

University of Georgia

14 Neighborhoods, Communities and Urbanization

1401 Neighborhood Influences on Health and Wellbeing

Jennifer Candipan

Brown University

1402 Racial and SES Segregation and Integration

Matthew Mleczko

Marquette University

1403 Housing and Residential Mobility Processes

Yana Kucheva

CUNY-The City College of New York

1404 Population Dynamics in Urban, Suburban, and Rural Communities

Matthew Brooks

Florida Stata University

1405 Flash: Advances in Spatial Networks, Population Mobility, and Crime

Megan Evans

Max Planck Institute for Demographic Research

15 Race and Ethnicity

1501 Race/Ethnicity, Criminal Legal System Contact, & Population Processes

Naomi Sugie

University of California, Los Angeles

1502 The Conceptualization and Measurement of Racial/Ethnic Populations

Aliya Saperstein

Stanford University

1503 Biomarkers, Race/Ethnicity, and Social Processes

Jason Boardman

University of Colorado-Boulder

1504 Structural Racism and the Politics of Population Change

Fatima Touma

University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill

1505 Public Policies and Racial/Ethnic Disparities in Health

Maria Elena Young

University of California, Merced

1506 Flash: Global Perspectives on Race, Ethnicity, & Immigration

Shannon Gleeson

Cornell University

16 Spatial and Environmental Demography

1601 Critical Perspectives on Demography and Climate Change

Katherine Curtis

University of Wisconsin-Madison

1602 Climate Change Across the Life Course

Deborah Balk

CUNY Institute for Demographic Research

1603 Overlapping Environmental Hazards, Social Risks, and Demographic Outcomes

Landy Sanchez

Collegio de Mexico

1604 Spatial Variation in Population Processes

Stuart Sweeney University of California-Santa Barbara

1605 Flash: Temporal Dimensions of Climate Impacts

Richelle Winkler Michigan Technological University

17 Other

1701 Other Topics (Use only if no regular session is appropriate for your submission.)

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1702 Poster Sessions (Use for submissions to be considered only as a poster.)

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