

2026 Call for Papers

Virtual Conference Dates: February 10-12, 2026

Deadline for Submissions: October 23, 2025

We are excited to provide applied demographers with a unique opportunity to participate in a conference designed to showcase developments and receive feedback on their work and work in progress and strengthen professional and personal ties within the community. We welcome your submissions for the PAA 2026 Applied Demography Conference. This conference will be held virtually from February 10-12, 2026.

What is Applied Demography?

"Applied demography [is] concerned with the application of the materials and methods of demography to the analysis and solution of the problems of business, private nonprofit organizations, and government" (J. Siegel)

Applied demography is distinct from formal demography "because it exhibits the value-orientation and empirical characteristics of a decision-making science" (Swanson, Burch, and Tedrow) and is "more concerned with the measurement and interpretation of current and prospective population change than with the behavioral determinants of this change" (Rives and Serow).

Who Should Submit?

We seek participation from anyone whose work intersects with population studies across academia, government, non-profits, and the private sector, and at all levels of experience.

Does your work or field of study relate to counting or characterizing populations, or generating/using population data to make decisions? If "Yes" then this conference is for you!

Important Notes

- Each person can only present once (exclusive of workshop presentations, chair or discussant roles).
- All presenters must register to attend the conference.

Types of Submissions

• **Flash Talk/Guided Poster:** a short (approximately five minutes) timeslot to present a research idea, concept, or work in progress. Questions or discussion will be part of a shared Q&A session.

- **Paper Presentation:** a standard-length timeslot (approximately 15 minutes) to provide an overview of a research project, or a novel website or software application. Time will be allotted for attendees to ask questions or discuss the work.
- **Session:** (approximately 60-90 minutes): You may submit a session of papers or panelists to present and discuss a given topic.
- **Workshop:** (approximately 60-90 minutes): If you want to engage with attendees, for example in a tutorial, collaborative session, or interactive presentation, consider submitting your proposal as a workshop.

Submitting an Abstract (Flash Talk, Paper Presentation, Guided Poster) | SUBMIT HERE

- Fill out the submission form.
- You can edit your form until submissions close on October 23, 2025.
- All submissions must include a short abstract of 500 words or less. Submissions without a short abstract will not be considered.
- You may include a full paper, poster, or other related documents with your abstract.
- You must choose a topic for your submission.

Submitting a Session or Workshop | **SUBMIT HERE**

- Fill out the submission form.
- You can edit your form until submissions close on October 23, 2025.
- All submissions must include the names, email addresses, and affiliations of all presenters
- Provide a description of 500 words or less
- Designate one person as the primary contact.
- You may submit associated papers or other documentation.

Important Dates

•	9/22/2025	Submission system opens
•	10/23/2025	Submission system closes
•	11/3/2025	Conference registration opens
•	Week of 11/24/25	Acceptance notifications sent
•	12/10/2025	Preliminary Program Available
•	1/9/2026	Deadline for presenting participants to register
•	2/10/2026	Conference Begins

Questions?

Email info@popassoc.org with any questions.

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ADC 2026 Topic List

Below, you will find a list of topics that will be used to categorize your submission. We are interested in a variety of topics within and in addition to these areas. If your submission does not seem to fit in one of the topics below, submit it to the "Other Applied Research" topic, and we will find a place for it.

- 2030 Census Topics and Planning
- Artificial Intelligence, Large Language Models
- Business Demography, Case Studies
- Data Sources, Methods (Administrative Data, Data Linkages, etc.)
- Data Tools, Visualizations
- Disparities and Inequalities
- Estimates and Projections (Small Geographic Areas, Rural, Urban, etc.)
- Housing, Transportation and Urban Planning, Public Policy
- Labor and Employment (Migrant Workers, Teleworking, Wages, etc.)
- Population Dynamics (Climate Change, Natural Disasters, Migration, etc.)
- Population Health (Aging, COVID-19, Vital Statistics, Mortality, Fertility, etc.)
- Other Applied Research!