The 12th eSTEeM Annual Conference: Enabling Student Success – Expanding Engagement in Scholarship

Conference dates: 19-20 April 2023, Walton Hall and via MS Teams

Call for abstracts guidelines

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The 12th eSTEeM Annual Conference: Enabling Student Success – Expanding Engagement in Scholarship, invites the submission of abstracts for the following session types:

- Poster presentations
- Short oral presentations
- Workshops/demonstrations

Submissions relating to the following themes are invited:

- Continuation and completion
- Access, Participation and Success
- Assessment and feedback
- Student support
- Employability
- Innovations in STEM education
- National context
- Other (please specify)

The conference will be hybrid with attendance welcomed in person or online. However, we would like all presenters to attend and deliver their presentation in person. If this is not possible, please contact esteem@open.ac.uk to discuss your needs/requirements.

Key dates for your diary

Submission of abstracts

w/c 5 December 2022	Call for abstracts opens
27 January 2023	Submission deadline for abstracts
10 February 2023	Authors notified of outcome of abstract submissions

Registration for conference

20 February 2023	Registration opens
31 March 2023	Registration closes
19-20 April 2023	The 12th eSTEeM Annual Conference: Enabling Student Success – Expanding Engagement in Scholarship

Submissions of posters and presentations

6 April 2022	Deadline for submission of pre-recorded poster presentations
14 April 2023	Deadline for submission of presentations (e.g., PowerPoint) for short orals and workshops/demonstrations

Guidance on each session type

Poster presentations (Abstract 150 – 300 words)

As this year's conference will be hybrid, we are inviting poster presenters to pre-record a voiceover to accompany their poster which should be a single PowerPoint slide suitable for viewing onscreen. You can be as creative/imaginative as you like, but the recording should be a maximum of 2 minutes. Recordings will be available to view the week of the conference allowing those delegates who are attending the conference online to watch a presentation.

Posters will also be printed and displayed throughout the conference. A poster presentation session will take place for those delegates attending the conference in person.

For those in the early stages of their projects, posters should include a brief description of your project, what you're intending to do, how you are going to do it and what you're expecting to find/achieve/develop at the end of it. Alternatively, your poster can be an update on your progress so far or the outcomes of your project. Your poster may be accompanied by handouts.

All conference delegates will be invited to vote for the best poster presentation.

Short oral presentations (Abstract 250 – 500 words)

Short oral presentations are part of a chaired session which includes a number of short presentations (15 - 20 minutes) on similar topics. Presentations should analyse innovative work in progress or recently completed. Time should be left for discussion and questions.

Workshops/demonstrations (Abstract 250 – 500 words)

Workshop or demonstration sessions are up to 1 hour. Demonstrations should provide participants with an opportunity to view and discuss practical activities. You may wish to allow time for debriefing with participants in order to discuss their experiences of the activity. Abstracts should provide a brief description of the activity/session. Please bear in mind that sessions will also have delegates attending online.

Guidelines for abstract submissions

Please use the online abstract submission form – http://bit.ly/3F0qfQq

Your abstract should be an accurate summary of the planned presentation/session. All accepted abstracts will be published in the conference booklet.

The deadline for submissions is **17.00 on Friday 27th January 2023.**

Further information

We will provide you with a poster template and arrange for the printing of your poster which will be displayed on poster boards and printed to A1 size. Recorded poster presentations will be made available via the eSTEeM YouTube channel.

Short oral presentations will be in groups of 3/4. PC/laptop and projection facilities will be available.

Workshops/demonstrations: author(s) of abstracts will be contacted to discuss their requirements.

Please note that presentations could be scheduled on either day of the conference so presenters should keep both dates available until notified of whether their abstract has been accepted.

Queries

If you have any queries, please contact the conference team at esteem@open.ac.uk.