

The 14th eSTeEM Annual Conference: Innovations in Impact

Conference dates: 30 April – 1 May 2024, via MS Teams

Call for Abstracts Guidelines

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The 14th eSTeEM Annual Conference invites the submission of abstracts for the following session types:

- Interactive oral presentations (e.g., workshops/simulations/symposiums/role play/quiz show)
- Poster presentations

Submissions relating to the following themes are invited:

- Continuation and completion
- Access, Participation and Success
- Assessment and feedback
- Student support
- Employability
- Innovations in STEM teaching and learning
- Sustainability in the STEM curriculum
- Other (please specify)

The conference will take place online in Microsoft Teams.

Key dates for your diary

Submission of abstracts

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| w/c 13 January 2025 | Call for abstracts opens. |
| 14 February 2025 | Submission deadline for abstracts. |
| 28 February 2025 | Authors notified of outcome of abstract submissions. |

Registration for conference

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| 10 March 2025 | Registration opens. |
| 18 April 2025 | Registration closes. |
| 30 April – 1 May 2025 | The 14 th eSTeEM Annual Conference: Innovations in Impact |

Submissions of posters and materials

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| 17 April 2025 | Deadline for submission of poster presentations. |
| 24 April 2025 | Deadline for submission of materials associated with interactive oral presentations. |

Guidance on each session type

Interactive oral presentations (Abstract 250 – 500 words)

These will be chaired sessions but then the choice is yours! Remember that it should be an immersive and engaging session for the audience. The aim of this conference is to involve and engage the audience as active participants of sessions rather than viewers of presentations. For example,

- A live demonstration of a student intervention you have designed.
- A discussion between project teams working on similar issues/themes incorporating a Q&A component from the audience.
- A quiz show designed to challenge and inform the participants.

We anticipate that sessions will be 45-minutes in length and can either focus on one single project or a group of projects on a similar theme. Within the abstract submission form, you will be asked to indicate whether you want a full 45-minute session for your project, or a shorter amount of time, with your session paired with other projects on a similar theme.

If you are struggling to think of a different way to communicate your project, then submit your abstract and we will work with you to design a suitable session.

Poster presentations (Abstract 150 – 300 words)

Details on the exact format of the poster presentation session are yet to be determined but will be communicated to presenters when notification is sent regarding the outcome of abstract submissions.

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.

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

Guidelines for abstract submissions

Please use the online [abstract submission form](#).

All accepted abstracts will be published in the conference booklet.

The deadline for submissions is **17.00 on Friday 14th February 2025**.

Sessions 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.