

CALL FOR SUBMISSIONS
64th MIDWEST ACADEMY OF MANAGEMENT CONFERENCE
at St. Ambrose University, Davenport, IA
October 14-16, 2021
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Conference Theme

***Leading, Managing, and Learning in View of
Today's Grand Challenges***

Conference Team

Arun Pillutla, St. Ambrose University, Conference Chair
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Highlights

Doctoral Consortium, Oct 14.
Business Practitioner Track, Short Essays, Oct 15.
Meet the Editors, Oct 14-16.
Selected conference papers to be published in a Special Issue of the *Journal of Managerial Issues*.
A Community of Holistic Scholars!

Submission Deadline: Thursday, July 1, 2021, 11:59 pm CST

The Midwest Academy of Management welcomes you to submit your work to the 64th Annual Conference in Davenport on St. Ambrose University's campus. We welcome papers, presentations, conversations, and creative thinking that *positively impact* the grand challenges that face business and society today such as inequality, climate change, racial and social injustice, and toxic behavior at workplace. These are just a few of the grand challenges facing societies and organizations that demand our attention, make an impact through our scholarship, and advance best practices. This conference aims to encourage tough conversations, targeting our scholarship in ways that can meaningfully transition to advance practice in these areas. We welcome your submissions and ideas addressing how we can challenge and equip students to create, lead, and manage change in organizations. How can our collective work serve to make a real and lasting difference to society and the organizations? How might your previous research streams be modified and directed to address these grand challenges?

In addition to the traditional academic disciplinary tracks, new this year, we are hosting a track for professionals in business practice, the Business Practitioner track, for practicing professionals. This track specifically invites practicing business professionals to engage in advancing thought leadership through their submission of short reflective and insightful essays (5-12 pg.) that address the conference theme, from their practice perspective. These short essays could then turn into white papers, blog posts, LinkedIn articles, keynote speeches, podcast content, or practice-based scholarly publications. Practicing professionals in this track benefit from the dialog and feedback from reviewers and conference attendees, and the partnering opportunities to collaborate with academic scholars on future research or scholarly practice publications.

We welcome collaborative paper sessions, professional development workshops, symposiums, and other sessions related to the theme. Submit your research papers, symposia proposals, professional development workshop proposals, short papers, and other creative works. Acceptance decisions will be made by early **August 2021**.

For formatting and submission guidelines, go to <https://www.mwaom.org/conferences/guidelines-for-all-submissions/>. To submit a proposal, go to <https://www.openconf.org/mwaom2021/openconf.php>

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Conference Tracks and Track Chairs
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Conference Tracks	Track Chairs & Co-Chairs
Entrepreneurship, Innovation, & Small Business	Angela K. Miles, North Carolina Central U, akmiles@nccu.edu Steven Day, North Carolina Central U, sday6@nccu.edu
Human Resources, Diversity, & Careers	Michele L. Heath Cleveland State U, m.heath@csuohio.edu
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Supply Chain and Information Systems	Hung-Chung Su, U of Michigan Dearborn hcsu@umich.edu Daniel Kao, U of Michigan Dearborn taweikao@umich.edu
Specialty Tracks	
Toward Impactful Research – Short Papers (12p max. including abstract, any figures, graphs, diagrams, etc.)	Jennifer Moss Breen, Creighton U, jennifermossbreen@creighton.edu
Business Practitioner – Reflective Essays – by practicing professionals, theme-related, insights from practice (12p max. including abstract, any figures, graphs, diagrams, etc.)	Ranjan Karri U of Illinois Springfield, rkarr2@uis.edu

Doctoral Consortium

The Midwest Doctoral Consortium will be held on Thursday, October 14, 2021. If you are a currently enrolled doctoral student in business or a related area and are interested in attending, please send an email to the Co- Coordinators – Dr. Monica Forret, St. Ambrose University, ForretMonicaL@sau.edu, and Dr. Sherry Sullivan, Bowling Green State University, ssulliv@bgsu.edu, with the following information: Name, University, Program description (DBA, Ph.D., etc.), Program area (i.e., OD, OB, HR, Strategy, etc.), and Program Status or expected completion date (e.g., May 2022) In addition, you should indicate what your specific interest would be from the doctoral consortium. The Coordinator will respond to you with additional information. *Doctoral students will*

have to become members of the Midwest Academy of Management. They will be eligible for the best papers submitted to the conference.

Reviewers

Academic conferences depend on their reviewers. All reviewers will be acknowledged in the conference program book for their contribution. Those who provide substantive comments will be considered for Outstanding Reviewer recognition.

To **sign up** as a Reviewer, go to <https://www.openconf.org/mwaom2021/openconf.php>: Go down to **Review and Program Committees**, find **Sign Up**, type in the word *reviewer2021* for the **Keycode**, click **Enter**. You can sign up to review up to four tracks. Fill in your information and select the appropriate track(s) you would like to review for and submit the form. (Please sign up to review proposals in your discipline as well as for the Toward Impactful Research/Short Papers Track). Any additional questions regarding being a reviewer can be sent to Shontarius Aikens at saikens@cord.edu.