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CALL FOR PAPERS



AMERICAN TIME USE RESEARCH CONFERENCE

Possible Paper Topics :

Papers on any topic related to how individuals use their time are welcome. Some examples :

- ... parent time with children
- ... balancing work and family
- ... time use among the elderly
- ... time use and obesity
- ... effects of children's school lunch program participation on time use
- ... effects of paid work on time spent in other activities
- ... cyclical fluctuations in patterns of activity
- ... time use and happiness
- ... alternative methods of collecting information about time use

Submissions on any time use topic are welcome, but preference will be given to papers with a U.S. focus. The final program will include papers that use data from the new ATUS Eating and Health module.

June 25-26, 2009
Inn and Conference Center
University of Maryland

DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSIONS: DECEMBER 8, 2008

Since the American Time Use Survey was launched in 2003, interest in time use research among American social science researchers has grown considerably. This conference will give the members of this growing community an opportunity to interact with one another and share what they are learning.

Researchers are invited to submit abstracts for papers that address any question related to the collection or analysis of time use data. The conference organizers are most interested in papers that analyze data for the United States, whether data from the ATUS or data from some other source.

The deadline for submission of paper abstracts is **December 8, 2008**. Authors chosen to present papers will be notified by January 15, 2009. Abstracts may be submitted via email to timeuse_2009@umd.edu.

Costs of travel to the conference will be covered for one author per paper selected for presentation during the conference. In addition to plenary and concurrent sessions at which speakers will present their findings, a poster session is planned. To the extent that funding permits, travel stipends will be offered to poster presenters.

A three-day workshop for new time-use researchers will be held June 22-24, 2009, immediately preceding the conference.

Additional information about the workshop and about the conference planned for June 25-26, 2009 can be found at :

www.atususers.umd.edu/wip2/

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