

33rd Annual Ohio Professional and Student
Conference On Aging

Enduring Legacies:
Honoring Our Past,
Envisioning Our Future



CALL FOR PAPERS

March 27, 2009

at

Shriver Center
Miami University
Oxford, Ohio



**Ohio Association of Gerontology
and Education** _____

A conference for students, educators, researchers, practitioners, administrators, and planners in the field of aging. The conference is sponsored by the Ohio Association of Gerontology and Education and is hosted by Miami University, Scripps Gerontology Center and the Department of Sociology and Gerontology.

ABOUT THE CONFERENCE

Join us for the 33rd annual Ohio Association of Gerontology and Education (OAGE) conference to be held this year at Miami University located in Oxford, Ohio. You may feel as if you took a step back in time as you drive down the red brick streets and notice the architecture that dates back several hundred years. Since 1809, Miami has blended a rich history of tradition with a progressive vision to prepare students for the future.

OAGE and Miami have joined together to host this year's conference *Enduring Legacies: Honoring Our Past, Envisioning Our Future*. This theme encourages us to celebrate the ideas and pioneers in our field, while challenging all of us to work together to create the best possible future for aging in Ohio.

The conference will take place on Friday, March 27, 2009 at Shriver Center located on the Oxford campus. Prior to the conference, OAGE is launching the "Aging Matters: Voices Across Ohio" project. The project will begin by conducting a statewide dialogue to help prepare for the future of aging in Ohio, and identify the role OAGE will play in this process. In upcoming weeks, individuals (students, faculty, researchers, practitioners, elders and people who care for and about elders) will be invited to provide a brief written response (200 – 500 words) to the question "What is important to you about aging in Ohio, and why do you care?" These narratives will be used to prepare a document that captures the thoughts shared in these statements. This document will be used during the closing session of the OAGE conference, facilitated by Dr. Holly Dabelko, College of Social Work with The Ohio State University, to outline a blueprint for action. Following the conference, a task force comprised of all constituency groups will complete the blueprint, which will be distributed to policy makers, practitioners, conference attendees and other interested groups throughout the state. Please refer to Page 3 for more details.

THE OHIO ASSOCIATION OF GERONTOLOGY AND EDUCATION

The Ohio Association of Gerontology and Education (OAGE) is a membership organization that serves as a resource to the aging network

Mission Statement

OAGE is an association of educators, researchers, professionals, and students in Ohio dedicated to gerontological education, research and practice. The organization promotes gerontological education, supports Ohio's aging network as a resource for research and practice, and provides professional development for students, faculty and professionals.

OAGE is committed to maintaining close working relationships with the Ohio Department of Aging, the Ohio Area Agencies on Aging, Ohio's post secondary institutions, and all professional organizations and individuals in the aging network.

For more information about OAGE:

Visit the OAGE website for more information about the organization and the upcoming conference:
www.oage.org

ABSTRACT SUBMISSION GUIDELINES

Deadline: January 15, 2009

Acceptable submission formats include papers, workshops, symposia, and posters. Paper presentations will be grouped with similar topics, with 10-12 minutes allotted to each presenter. Symposia (comprised of 3-4 members) and interactive workshops will be restricted to one hour. Abstracts based on best practice, empirical research, policy analysis, theoretical ideas, innovative programs, and/or conceptually original literature reviews are welcome.

Instructions:

Submit by electronic mail to lovet@ohioaging.org. The abstract may be included in the body of the e-mail or sent as an attachment in Microsoft Word. Include the following information:

- Full Name
- Organization
- Mailing address
- E-mail address
- Phone number
- Presentation preference: paper, interactive workshop, poster or symposium

Abstract should be 200-250 words and submitted in the following format:

- Title of presentation
- Primary and any Co-Author/Presenter name(s), Title, Organization, Affiliation and Contact information
- Purpose statement
- Abstracts based on empirical research should provide specific information about the problem studied, sample, study design, and findings.
- Descriptive narrative. If you are submitting a workshop, then state objectives.
- If you are a student, indicate if you plan to submit a full paper or poster to be considered for the student awards (see below) along with your faculty advisor's name and contact information.

An email confirmation will be sent upon receipt of your abstract. If you do not receive a confirmation within 5 working days of submission, please contact Penny Lovett at the Ohio Association of Area Agencies on Aging (614) 481-3511. NOTE: Presenters must register and pay conference fees by March 6, 2009.

STUDENT AWARDS

Cash awards will be given for the outstanding student paper in each of the following categories:

- Jerome Kaplan Award for best graduate student paper
- Arnedia Smith Award for best undergraduate student paper
- Outstanding Student Paper on conference theme

Papers and posters may be created specifically for the conference or may be a modification of current work such as a class paper, project, thesis, or dissertation. Students whose abstracts are accepted for presentation and who wish to be considered for the cash awards must submit the final paper by **March 2, 2009**. If a student wishes a poster to be considered, a paper must be submitted based on the poster.

AGING MATTERS: VOICES ACROSS OHIO

In upcoming weeks, OAGE will be inviting all interested individuals to participate in the "Aging Matters: Voices Across Ohio" project. Watch your email for an invitation to participate or visit the OAGE website (www.oage.org). If you have questions, please contact Luann Reddecliff at reddecl@muohio.edu or (513) 529-2914.

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