

Coalition for Education in the Outdoors
Tenth Biennial Research Symposium
January 15-17, 2010
Call for Abstracts

From January 15-17, 2010, an international research symposium will be held at the Bradford Woods Campus of Indiana University in Martinsville, Indiana, a short drive from the Indianapolis Airport. The purpose of this gathering is to advance the empirical, conceptual, and theoretical bases of outdoor education. Like the first nine CEO Research Symposia, this symposium will bring together a wide array of researchers to explore current and future trends in using the outdoors for educational and therapeutic purposes. In addition to spotlighting current research, the program includes featured presentations on timely issues and ample time for both structured and informal dialogue.

The symposium is purposely small and informal to promote productive interaction. The event draws people interested in adventure education, organized camping, environmental education and interpretation, and other outdoor education contexts. Because of the diversity of topics, the informal exchanges, and the quality of sessions, this event is a favorite of both well-established and emerging scholars in the field. It's also affordable; about \$200 will cover registration, lodging, and meals.

Persons wishing to present (oral and/or poster) at the symposium must submit an electronic copy of their abstract (not to exceed 2 single-spaced pages; references only may extend onto a third page; 12 pt Times New Roman preferred) addressing the background, methods, results, and discussion of the study (authors of conceptual papers may use other headings). It is expected that presentations at CEO will not have been previously published or presented elsewhere. Abstracts that ask the same questions, use the same analyses, and make the same logical arguments should not be presented at CEO. Abstracts of works in progress may be submitted provided that a full report can be given at the January symposium. **Abstracts are due by September 14, 2009.**

All abstracts and manuscripts will be critiqued and evaluated by three reviewers. Notification of acceptance will follow on or around October 18. Individuals whose abstracts are accepted will be expected to present their study at the symposium. They will also be provided with more detailed instructions about preparing manuscripts and the review process for the **refereed** publication, *Research in Outdoor Education*, Vol. 10. In addition, abstracts of all presentations will be compiled and bound for dissemination at the symposium and on-line through the CEO website. Questions about the submission or review process can be directed to Amy Shellman (amy.shellman@cortland.edu) or Jim Sibthorp (jim.sibthorp@health.utah.edu), review coordinators for CEO 2010. Questions regarding conference logistics or registration can be directed to Andy Young (anderson.young@cortland.edu).

The time line for the review process is:

September 14	Deadline for submission of abstracts
October 18	Notification of acceptance/rejection - invitation to prepare full manuscripts
November 13	Revised abstracts submitted for binding and distribution at symposium
January 15-17	Research Symposium (15 minute presentations and/or poster presentations)

How to submit abstract:

1. Send e-mail **attachment** in MS Word.
2. Use lead author's name as document file name (e.g., SMITH.doc).
3. Put "CEO Abstract - <lead author's last name>" in "subject line" of email message.
4. In body of email message include...
 - Preference for oral report or poster presentation.
 - Full title of the abstract.
 - Names, affiliations, mailing addresses, phone numbers, and email addresses of **ALL** authors.
5. Send to:
Dr. Amy Shellman, amy.shellman@cortland.edu
voice: 607-753-4263

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For further information about the symposium, contact the **Coalition for Education in the Outdoors**, SUNY Cortland, Park Center, P.O. Box 2000, Cortland, NY 13045 (Voice: 607-753-4971; Fax: 607-753-5982 or E-mail: rls@cortland.edu).