Student Financial Aid Research Network

JUNE 11-12, 2020
Madison, WI

STUDENT FINANCIAL AID RESEARCH NETWORK

SFARN CONFERENCE
CALL FOR PROPOSALS

Proposals can be submitted at http://bit.ly/SFARN2020proposal
and are due by
5:00PM EST/6:00PM CST on MARCH 17, 2020.

COUNCIL for OPPORTUNITY in EDUCATION   **THE PELL INSTITUTE** for the Study of Opportunity in Higher Education   **WISCONSIN** UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN–MADISON

The Student Financial Aid Research Network (SFARN) seeks proposals for the 37th Annual Conference to be held in Madison, Wisconsin on June 11-12, 2020. SFARN Conference is the prime venue for leading financial aid researchers to networks, seek input, and share expertise with colleagues from colleges and universities, state and federal agencies, membership associations, and other non-profit organizations. The Pell Institute for the Study of Opportunity in Higher Education, in collaboration with the Student Success Through Applied Research (SSTAR) Lab at the University of Wisconsin-Madison will host this year's conference.

We welcome sessions focused on new and recently completed research on student aid issues such as federal policy changes, college food insecurity, student loan debt, low-income and non-traditional access, and the overarching theme of how students and their families are paying for college. Proposals should fit one of the following formats:

Research Presentations
Research presentations are roughly, a formal 30 minute presentation of completed or nearly-completed academic studies, policy reports, or other empirical research work. These presentations should address research motivation and questions, data and methods, findings, and implications for policy and practice. Presenters should be prepared to answer questions from audience members following their formal remarks, but generally, these sessions will be less interactive than the other formats.

Poster Presentation
Posters are ideal for those who wish to share and receive feedback on a research project, policy paper, or other work that is still in progress. Authors will have the opportunity to discuss their work in informal conversations with interested participants.

Symposium/Policy Talk
A symposium or policy talk consists of in-depth conversation and diverse perspectives on a topic related to student financial aid. Ideally, these presentations should combine researchers from different disciplines; mix academic scholars, policymakers, and practitioners; and/or include researchers with opposing views. These sessions should also encourage interaction between and among presenters and the audience. A typical symposium might include brief presentations from the panelists, Q&A from a moderator, and time for discussion and debate. These sessions will be allocated 60 minutes.

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For additional information on SFARN 2020 or to view past presentations visit
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