

WRITING SUCCESSFUL CONFERENCE PROPOSALS

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A professional development session could be run picking out the main points of what makes a successful conference proposal or paper. It would also be possible to peer-critique some drafts of proposals within a group against the suggestions offered by these websites and the criteria of the conference.

[Writing a successful conference paper proposal](http://www.bu.edu/gdrs/files/2012/03/Guidelines-for-Writing-Conference-Paper-Proposal.pdf), 2009

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Down-to-earth suggestions for submitting a conference proposal from Kecia Ali at Boston University

[Your guide to writing a successful conference proposal](#)

This Educause website offers brief points to think through presenting your conference proposal. It also offers other pages on designing and delivering your presentation, facilitating discussions and leveraging your work.

[Conference proposals and abstracts](#)

This guide from the CGU Success Center covers the conference proposal, citation and style, grammar, the writing process, working with sources, writing specific types of papers. The [Conference papers and presentations](#) page has a wealth of links and helpful examples and information.

[Writing academic proposals: Conferences, articles and books](#)

A more lengthy site with samples of types of papers and articles, guidelines for writing different types of papers and annotated bibliographies – from the Online Writing Lab at Purdue University.

[Writing a great conference proposal](http://www.isst-d.org/downloads/how_to_write_a_conf_proposal.pdf)http://www.isst-d.org/downloads/how_to_write_a_conf_proposal.pdf

This site contains five pages of useful information by Kathy Steele and Catherine Classen, which show sufficient and insufficient elements and citations in conference proposals.