



————— 2020 VISION: —————  
**REFOCUSING, REFORMING &  
RESTORING PUBLIC SERVICE**  
————— VALUES AND GOVERNANCE —————



COMPA 2020 will host a dynamic group of speakers who are making a difference in the field of public administration around the country and we look forward to meeting you there!

February 26- 29, 2020

Crowne Plaza Hotel Atlanta SW-Peachtree City

Early Bird Registration on or before January 14, 2020: \$250

Faculty/Practitioners, \$300.00 thereafter; Student Registration is

\$160.00 Conference Hotel Rate: \$112 per night

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# 2020 Call for Proposal

The current social, political and economic climate of the nation's bureaucracy creates a deluge of opportunities and challenges for the field of public administration. Concomitantly, the growing decline in public trust and the efficacy of public leadership amidst tenuous policymaking, administrative responsibility and effective governance continues to pervade political dialogue and discourse. Central to these considerations is the effectiveness of public service and its ability to respond to future crises both at home and abroad. Historically, ethics has been a hallmark in public administration and comprises three core components: values, standards and norms and behavior. The confluence of these components aided in the neutrality, accountability and duty of public servants who advocated for freedom, social equity, and integrity in upholding public laws, rules and codes of conduct. Accordingly, the exercise of duty is challenged in modern day public administration as the field is provoked to identify strategies to institutionalize ethical values while simultaneously ensuring responsiveness, impartiality, transparency, and performance accountability to ensure better governance. These standards are essential for citizen engagement, innovative and effective service delivery modalities and global/technological advancements that will continue the growth of modern public administration and the burgeoning professionalism among new and career civil public servants. Hence, it is an intriguing era for public administration practitioners, academicians, and students as we endeavor to expand the discourse through intellectual forums, research consideration and collaborative partnerships to refocus, reform and restore public service values and governance.

Thus, this year's conference theme is timely: "2020 Vision: Refocusing, Reforming & Restoring Public Service Values and Governance" a call to action for public service leaders to embody and exemplify the four core values espoused by ASPA; accountability and performance, professionalism, ethics and social equity in our service to the profession and to the citizenry. The 2020 conference theme highlights the courageous work of those who despite the political, social and economic climax are using their voice, their research and their efforts to positively affect and make a significant difference in their respective spheres of influence, their communities and the nation.

The conference program committee is pleased to invite proposals to the conference from academics, practitioners and students. The proposals should be related to the conference theme and sub-themes noted below:

- Track 1: Social Equity and Justice
- Track 2: Economic Development & Urban Planning
- Track 3: Disparities (Healthcare, Housing, Education, Employment)
- Track 4: Public Policy & Management
- Track 5: Public Budgeting, Finance & Infrastructure
- Track 6: Citizen Participation & Engagement
- Track 7: Law & Criminal Justice
- Track 8: Nonprofit Management & Leadership
- Track 9: Higher Education Administration

Track 10: Emergency & Crisis Management

Track 11: Public Service, Social Entrepreneurship and Innovation

Track 12: Professional Development for Students & Young Professionals

The conference program committee welcomes proposals for high-quality conceptual papers, qualitative and quantitative empirical research papers, and policy- and practice-oriented papers. In addition to individual paper proposals, the committee encourages the submission of complete panels consisting of no more than four papers. Panel submissions should bring together complementary papers that address similar research questions or topics. Panel proposals should provide information on the overall theme of the panel and indicate how each of the proposed papers connects to the panel's theme.

Proposals from individuals at all stages of their careers are welcome. Proposals and poster presentations by graduate students are particularly encouraged. The deadline for submission of proposals is January 12, 2020. Proposals will be evaluated by the conference program committee and proposers will be notified of the committee's decisions via email. Email your proposals to [compaga2020@gmail.com](mailto:compaga2020@gmail.com). Proposals should include the following information:

- Proposal Title
- Abstract (200 – 350 words)
- Presenter(s)' name, institutional affiliation, address, email address and contact number

### **Best Paper Awards**

Conference participants are encouraged to submit their full conference papers to be posted at the conference website by January 28, 2020. The lengths of papers should be between 7,000 and 10,000 words, including references and endnotes. The papers should be sent electronically to [compaga2020@gmail.com](mailto:compaga2020@gmail.com). Authors should use the most recent edition of the American Psychological Association style guidelines (<http://www.apastyle.org/>) when they format their papers. The papers should be submitted in a Microsoft Word or compatible format. The conference planning committee will evaluate full paper submissions and will provide the following best paper awards:

- 1<sup>st</sup> - \$1,500
- 2<sup>nd</sup> - \$1,000
- 3<sup>rd</sup> - \$500

An additional \$500 will be awarded to the best paper from an undergraduate student. All papers will be judged on clarity, coherence, organization and relevance to the conference theme.

**\*Graduate Students Topic: "Sanctuary Cities and U.S. Immigration Customs Enforcement: A Policy & Practice Critique"**

**\*Undergraduate Students Topic: "The Social Contract-Principles of Political Rights" by Jean-Jacques Rousseau.** Students are to write a doubled spaced paper of at least 2,500 words which reviews the Rousseau paper. Your paper should be organized in five parts - title page, subject introduction, main body discussion, opined conclusion and references.

## **Poster Session Proposal Guidelines**

Scholars are encouraged to participate in the poster presentation session to share research and interact with conference attendees. Poster sessions are especially useful for student scholars who would like feedback on their research. A poster presentation allows a presenter to provide a visual summary of their research and/or innovation to be displayed for sharing with conference delegates. This session will serve as a Pre-Conference event held on Wednesday, February 26, 2019. A poster should be self-contained and self-explanatory, allowing different viewers to proceed on their own while the author is free to supplement or discuss particular points raised in inquiry.

Posters will be selected for presentation by the Poster Session Co-Chairs in a double-blind peer review process. Abstracts submitted for consideration of a Poster Presentation should use the following criteria:

- Identification of relevant conference theme(s) to which submitted (should cover the topical areas as outlined in the call for proposals).
- Written in English. Font: Times New Roman, size 12; APA formatting style.
- The title should be as brief as possible but long enough to indicate clearly the nature of the study. Capitalize the first letter of each word (except conjunctions). No full stop at the end.
- An Abstract of between 300-400 words (plus between 2-5 references to support the evidence -base of the abstract content). (Any abstract that exceeds the required word count will not enter the review process).
- The abstract is required to include details of either research, development and/or innovation, with sufficient information to enable the review panel to make a decision on appropriateness for Poster presentation in theme and context of conference. (Any research reported MUST have commenced at the time of the abstract submission).
- Abstracts should state briefly and clearly the purpose, methods, results and conclusions/discussions of the work.

Poster session proposals should be submitted by January 12, 2020.

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## **Special Symposium Edition**

Participants may submit their revised papers after the conference for possible publication in Special Symposium editions of the Journal of Public Management and Social Policy or the International Journal of Organization Theory and Behavior. All papers submitted for the journals will be peer reviewed.

## **Conference Location**

The plenaries and panels of the conference will be held at the Crowne Plaza Hotel SW Atlanta-Peachtree City 201 Aberdeen Parkway, Peachtree City, Georgia 30269, (770) 487- 2666. We have a limited block of rooms at the rate of \$112 per night for single and double occupancy.

**Registration Fee**

Early registration is \$250.00 on or before January 14, 2020. Late registration, after January 14, 2020, is \$300.00. Student registration is \$160.00.

More information about the conference program, registration and hotel will be available soon at the COMPA conference website: <http://www.compaspanet.org>