

North American Association for Environmental Education
Second Annual Pre-Conference
Environmental Education
Research Symposium
Continuing the Dialogue:
Our Work and Accomplishments

Albuquerque, New Mexico
October 24-25, 2005

The North American Association for Environmental Education (NAAEE) Research Commission is pleased to invite you to come to Albuquerque, New Mexico, for the **Second Annual NAAEE Pre-Conference EE Research Symposium**. It is our hope that this annual NAAEE pre-conference meeting will help facilitate discussion and collaboration among EE researchers and students from around the world. In addition to creating an annual forum for reporting EE Research, the symposium will encourage “conversations” about various research agendas, themes, approaches and issues. We want to establish a basis for ongoing networks, links and projects of mutual interest. The symposium is intended to provide a collegial, supportive forum for exploration of results, methods and methodologies. This year we will continue this tradition of friendly and spirited engagement in ways that may help us improve our work and our world.

The 2005 symposium will be held October 24-25 just prior to the annual conference of the North American Association for Environmental Education (<http://www.naaee.org/conferences/index.php>). The symposium will open with a welcoming reception in the evening of October 24, and convene for a full day on October 25. The scheduling will enable participants to participate in both the symposium and the annual NAAEE conference.

The title for the 2005 EE Research Symposium is **Continuing the Dialogue: Our Work and Accomplishments**. The purpose of this meeting is to invite the critical participation of EE Researchers to NAAEE and to provide an opportunity for EE researchers to meet and discuss the EE research topics of interest to them. As researchers, we are actively engaged in research programs and evaluation studies that range from quantitative and mixed methods approaches, through a number of qualitative traditions (such as ethnography, phenomenology, narrative/autobiography, participatory action research) and perspectives from interpretive and critical to postmodern, feminist, gendered and cultural studies. The annual symposium, unlike the more “practitioner” oriented sessions of the general NAAE conference and the

associated pre-conference workshops, will focus on research discussions by and for researchers and together, make for a true research symposium.

Participants in the 2005 symposium can present their research experience as a basis for discussions of their accomplishments, interests and plans. International, Native American and Hispanic/Latino perspectives and alternative research methodologies are especially encouraged.

We are asking all participants to encourage students they work with to attend the symposium and to engage in sessions/discussions. A reduced student registration fee will be available. Details about how the symposium will be structured will be determined when we have accepted presentations for the symposium, we know who is coming and what topics each participant will be prepared to discuss.

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Submitting Proposals: NAAEE staff is coordinating submission of proposals for presentations on-line (strongly preferred), to be available by February 4, 2005. To submit a proposal, please review the [Research Symposium Submission Form](#).

Registration: NAAEE staff is coordinating registration.

Costs: NAAEE is working on a Registration/ Accommodation and Meal package (optional) and will keep costs to a minimum. NAAEE staff is not charging for this service and is negotiating to keep hotel meeting room costs as low as possible.